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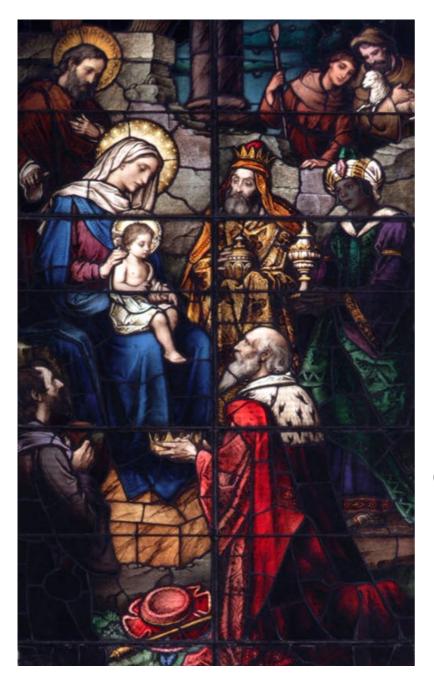
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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 6TH JANUARY 2019 THE EPIPHANY

HYMNS THIS MORNING

ENTRANCE 626
GRADUAL 427
OFFERTORY 42
COMMUNION 229 & 716
FINAL 709

BEFORE THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Quiet, please, from 0955 (a bell will be rung)

"Talk to God before the service, and to one
another afterwards"

Epiphany window, Old Town St Michael Thanks to Libby Coleman for the photograph and for sponsoring The Lookout this week

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Epiphany

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Reading from the Old Testament - Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;

but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you;

your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice,

because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah;

all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: John Leech, Brian West, Esmé von Habsburg, Jenny Edwards, Margaret Montagu, Deirdre West, Barbara Webb, Beryl Scott, Jean Johnson, Elizabeth Perkis, Sarah Neve, Pippa, Jill Crossland, Lily, Yvonne Goddard, Susan Wiltshire, Heather

The recently departed: Betty Virgo, Wilson Broom, Wendy Francis, John

Anniversaries of death this week: Elsie Goujon (6th); Arthur Montagu (9th); Victoria Whatley (9th); John Rowe (10th); Joan Yellop (12th); Phyllis Whitehill (12th)

Post-communion Prayer

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

Isaiah 42:1-9; Matthew 3:13-17 Related readings - Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43



Urgently needed this week: Washing tablets, tinned potatoes, carbonara sauce, men's deodorants, women's deodorants, shaving foam, curry sauce. Many thanks for your ongoing support of the Foodbank. Please pray for its work, and for the increasing number of people who rely on its services and our donations.

Wilson Broom RIP

Wilson's funeral will take place in Church on Monday 14th January at 1400. If wished, donations for 'Gloucestershire Cricket Trust' can be sent to Chris Stringer's office or via www.cpjfield.co.uk/christopher-stringer

Sing along 'Mamma Mia!'

Tickets for our film night in church on Friday 1st February at 1830 are now available in church after services or from Café Dean on Marine Drive. Adults £10, under 16s £5. Come dressed in your best 70s gear!

Singing Kettle

We resume after our Christmas break this coming Tuesday, 8th January. All are welcome!

Floodlighting

The church is being floodlit at night in the month of January by Fidelma Romer-Ormiston in memory of Michael RIP. If you would like to sponsor the floodlighting, we suggest a minimum donation of £30 for a month.

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday 20th January - The Deans Ecumenical Service for The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Friday 1st February – Film Night in Church at 1830 – Sing-along Mamma Mia!

Saturday 2nd February - Christingle craft morning

Saturday 23rd February – Theatrical Storytelling by Dirty Footprints Theatre

Saturday 25th May – Recital by John Mann and Cream Tea (N.B. change of date)

Saturday 20th/Sunday 21st July – St Margaret's Day celebrations

Saturday 27th July – Recital by Dan Phelps

Saturday 3rd August – Village Fair

Thursday 19th – Saturday 21st September – The Great Harvest Village Show

CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday 6 th	0730	Morning Prayer
THE EPIPHANY	0800	Holy Communion
	1000	Family Parish Eucharist & Holy Baptism
	1700	Evening Prayer
Monday 7 th	0830	Morning Prayer
	1800	Evening Prayer
Tuesday 8 th	0830	Morning Prayer
•	1000	Eucharist
	1030	Singing Kettle in St Margaret's Cottage
	1800	Evening Prayer
Wednesday 9 th	0830	Morning Prayer
•	(1000	School worship in school)
	1800	Evening Prayer
	1830	Eucharist & Bible Study/Discussion
	1930	Meeting of the Parochial Church Council
Thursday 10 th	0830	Morning Prayer
,	1000	Eucharist
	1800	Evening Prayer
Friday 11 th	No public services today	
Saturday 12 th	1000	Morning Prayer
St Aelred of Hexham	1700	Evening Prayer
Sunday 13 th	0730	Morning Prayer
THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST	0800	Holy Communion
	1000	Parish Eucharist
	1700	Evening Prayer
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