



8am Holy Communion : Revd Bruno
 10am Parish Eucharist : Revd Bruno
 5pm Evening Prayer with Hymns : Revd David

FAITH CREW IS RUNNING AT THE BACK OF CHURCH THIS WEEK,
 ANY CHILDREN HERE TODAY ARE WARMLY WELCOME TO COME AND
 JOIN OUR GROUP BY THE FONT.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN AT THE 10AM : BRIGHTEST AND THE BEST

Priest I runga i te Ingoa o te Atua, te Matua, te Tama me te Wairua Tapu. **Amine.**
(In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.)

Liturgist Nau mai - haere mai - welcome on this Epiphany Sunday as we give thanks for the Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ. As we gather at the early beginnings of this new year, thanks be to God for all that 2012 will bring to our Cathedral Community – and all that we, in turn, will offer in Christ’s name. In this coming year, may we all be inspired by the wisdom and humility of the magi; prepared to accept in faith; and prepared to ask the way when we need to. The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us sit or kneel to confess our sins.



All **Loving and all-seeing God, forgive us where we have failed to support one another and to be what we claim to be. Forgive us where we have failed to serve you; and where our thoughts and actions have been contrary to yours we ask your pardon.**

Priest God forgives you; be at peace. Rejoice and be glad, for Christ is resurrection, reconciliation for all the human race.

All **We shall all be one in Christ, one in our life together. Praise to God who has created us; praise to God who has accepted us, praise to God who sends us into the world.**

(Please Stand)

THE GLORIA : **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE COLLECT : **Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit, and revealed him as your beloved Son; grant that we who are baptised into his name may give up our lives to your service, and be found worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PLEASE SIT FOR THE READINGS FROM THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS

The Word: Sunday 8th January – Baptism of the Lord

GENESIS 1:1-5

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, “Let there be light”, and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

ACTS 19:1-7

And it happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. And he said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” And they said, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” And he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They said, “Into John’s baptism.” And Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying. There were about twelve men in all.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

HEAR THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ACCORDING TO MARK 1:4-11

(This may be sung) – **All: Praise and Glory to God.**

John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair and wore a leather belt round his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

This is the Gospel of our Lord. *(This may also be sung)* – **All: Praise to Christ, The Word.**

PLEASE STAND FOR THE GOSPEL – WHICH MAY BE PRECEDED BY A HYMN.
THE GOSPEL HYMN AT THE 10AM SERVICE : O LET THE SON OF GOD ENFOLD YOU

Reader Hear the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, According to Saint...

All (May be sung) **Praise and Glory to God.**

...At the end : **Reader** This is the Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to Christ, The Word.**

THE SERMON *(Please Sit)*

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(Please Stand)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

A TIME OF PRAYER. *(Ending with :)*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,**

on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE PEACE *(Please Stand)*

Priest Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall
be no end. Kia tau tonu te rangimarie o te Atua ki a koutou.

(The peace of God be always with you)

All **A ki a koe ano hoki / And also with you**

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

FOR PRAYER :

Our Province:

DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA:
Winston Halapua, Apimeleki
Qiliho, and Gabriel Sharma.

Our Diocese:

Morrinsville: Bryan Carey, Ethel
Luke. Ngaruawahia: Ivan Smith.

Our Community:

New Plymouth, Waikeria &
Other Penal Institutions.

Kuching, Our Partner Diocese:
Church Schools in Sarawak &
Brunei.

Taranaki Cathedral:

The Cathedral Liaison Team; our
link with the Ministry Units of our
Diocese.

(NZCMS) Partners:

Martin & Lily Emo, partners to
South America.

Amen.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN AT 8AM: BRIGHTEST AND BEST

10AM: A GREAT AN MIGHTY WONDER

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

To you, Lord, belongs the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty;
all that is in the heavens and the earth is yours, and of your own we give you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING / TE WHAKAWHETAI NUI.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SIT OR STAND FOR THIS PRAYER.

Priest The Spirit of God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift your hearts to heaven

where Christ in glory reigns.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God. For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. We thank you that you make us human and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin.

God's love is shown to us: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God. In Jesus we see you, the eternal God, revealing your glory in our flesh, for he is the light of the nations who illuminates our darkness. In your mercy you are now our God. Through Christ you gather us, new-born in your Spirit, a people after your own heart. We entrust ourselves to you, for you alone do justice to all people, living and departed.

Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.

Therefore with saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you and say: **Holy, holy, holy: God of mercy, giver of life; earth and sea and sky and all that lives, declare your presence and your glory.**

All glory to you, Giver of life sufficient and full for all creation. Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who in the night that he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you, and for many, to forgive sin. Do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, God of all creation, in the suffering and death of Jesus our redeemer, we meet you in your glory. We lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way, our access to you, Father, and source of all new life. In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will. Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love.

Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Creator God. Amen.



We do not presume to come to your holy table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great mercy. We are not worthy even to gather the crumbs from under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the body of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many, are one body, for we all share the one bread.

The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

THE AGNUS DEI (*Which may be Sung*)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us your peace.

THE INVITATION

Priest Haere mai e te kahui a te Atua, tangohia enei kai rangatira a te Karaiti.
Come God's people, Come to receive Christ's heavenly food.

OUR SIDESPEOPLE WILL SHOW YOU TO ONE OF THE DISTRIBUTION POINTS FOR COMMUNION.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All **Holy Spirit, as you drove Jesus into the wilderness, when John baptised him and the heavens opened, drive us to wrestle and reflect so that we may fulfil our baptism, and live your life of victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Amen.**

Priest Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. **Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name. Amen.**

Priest Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing...

AFTER THE NOTICES, THE RECESSIONAL HYMN :

O WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS

THE DISMISSAL OF THE COMMUNITY

Deacon Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

All **Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**



Anne, Associate to the Dean Writes : Warmest Greetings to you !

Today is the first Sunday after Epiphany. The term epiphany means "to show" or "to make known" or even "to reveal." In Western churches, it remembers the coming of the wise men bringing gifts to visit the Christ child, who by so doing "reveal" Jesus to the world as Lord and King.

In traditional Christian churches Christmas (as well as Easter), is celebrated as a period of time, rather than just a day. The season associated with Christmas begins with the first Sunday of Advent, four Sundays before 25 December. Advent is marked by expectation and anticipation in preparing to celebrate the coming of Jesus. Christmas begins with Christmas Day and lasts for Twelve Days until Epiphany, January 6, which looks ahead to the mission of the church to the world in light of the Nativity.

In true kiwi style, many families spend Christmas Day together, and then all the decorations and reminders of the festive season are packed away for the next twelve months. It is summertime here in New Zealand and many people are on holiday. Once Christmas (Day) is over, they are off camping, visiting friends and family or making the most of their time off school or work, to relax. I would suggest that in some people's minds, Christmas ends at midnight on 25 December. Newspapers and letterbox advertising no longer focus on what to buy as presents. Boxing Day sales herald a time to spend up large on everything imaginable.

In December 2008 I visited family in the UK and spent Christmas and New Year with them. It was the first time I had experienced a winter festive season and it was as if 'it really was Christmas'. People were not pre-occupied with holiday preparations, end of year school events, work functions and spending time outdoors. Church services seemed so different when everyone was dressed for the cold in winter coats, scarves, hats and gloves. We sang carols on the Sundays after Christmas and reflected upon the Wise Men or Magi who brought gifts to the child Jesus; the first Gentiles to acknowledge Jesus as "King" and so were the first to "show" or "reveal" Jesus to a wider world.

I wonder what your experience of Christmas was this year? My prayer is that it did not begin and end on 25 December, and that you were able to find special meaning and blessings from Advent to Epiphany.

Lovingly, Anne

THE "BIBLICAL CHALLENGE" - OUR PUZZLE OF THE WEEK!

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS



LOOK FOR THE WORDS VERSE BELOW THAT ARE IN BOLD. TAKEN FROM MARK 1:4-11 (NIV)

And so **John** the **Baptist** appeared in the **wilderness**, **preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins**. The whole **Judean** countryside and all the people of **Jerusalem** went out to him. **Confessing** their sins, they were **baptized** by him in the **Jordan River**. John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt

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around his waist, and he ate **locusts** and **wild honey**.

And this was his **message**:

"After me comes the one more **powerful** than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not **worthy** to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the **Holy Spirit**."

At that time **Jesus** came from **Nazareth** in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was **coming** up out of the **water**, he saw **heaven being torn open** and the Spirit descending on him like a **dove**.

And a **voice** came from heaven:

"**You** are my **Son**, whom I **love**; with you I am **well pleased**."

WHAT MESSAGE DOES IT SAY WITH THE LEFT-OVER LETTERS?

NOTICES FOR THIS WEEK : CHRISTMAS WEEK'S MESSAGE WAS: "MERRY CHRISTMAS TODAY IS A CELEBRATION OF CHRIST'S BIRTH"

WANTED : Manager for the Presbyterian Camp Site Eltham. Accommodation provided.

For more details please contact Allan Liddington phone (06) 764 5221 or Kevin Duthie (06) 764 764 7391

DIARY AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK. HYMNS FOR SUNDAY EVENING.

Sunday 8th January. 1st Sunday After Epiphany [Gen 1:1-5; Ps 29; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11]

8am Holy Communion ~ 10am Parish Communion ~ 5pm Evening Prayer with Hymns

Monday 9th January. [1 Sam 1:1-8; Ps 116:10-15; Mark 1:14-20]

Daily Prayer (*and every day this week*) 8:30am Morning Prayer ~ 12pm Midday Prayer ~ 5:30pm

Evening Prayer ~ 11am Wedding - Kiellenniva ~ 3:30pm Heatherlea Rest Home Communion

Tuesday 10th January. [1 Sam 1:9-20; 1 Sam 2:1,4-8; Mark 1:21-28]

7am Bishop's Eucharist ~ 9:30am Tea on Tuesday ~ 4pm Emergency Shelter Meeting

Wednesday 11th January. [1 Sam 3:1-10,19-20; Ps 40:1-4, 7-10; Mark 1:29-39]

9am Heart Support Group ~ 10am BCP Eucharist ~ 5:30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 12th January. [1 sam 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-15, 24-25, Mark 1:40-end]

8:30am Cathedral Staff Meeting ~ 12pm Mission Prayer Group

Friday 13th January. [1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-end; Ps 89:15-18; Mark 2:1-12]

Saturday 14th January. [1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19 & 10:1a; Ps 21:1-6, Mark 2:13-17]

7pm Old Time Dance Club

Sunday 15th January. 2nd Sunday After Epiphany. [1 Sam 3:1-10; 1 Cor 6:12-20; John 1:43-51]

8am Holy Communion ~ 10am Choral Eucharist ~ 5pm Sacred Space

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1. As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold,
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led to thee.

2. As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before
Thee whom heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek thy mercy-seat.

3. As they offered gifts most rare,
At thy cradle rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

4. In the heavenly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
Thou its sun which goes not down;
There for ever may we sing
Alleluias to our King.

1. Hail gladdening Light,
of his pure glory poured
Who is the immortal Father, heavenly blest,
Holiest of Holies, Jesus Christ our Lord!

2. Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest,
The lights of evening round us shine,
We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine.

3. Worthiest art thou at all times to be sung, With undefiled tongue,
Son of our God, giver of life, alone: Therefore in all the world thy glories, Lord, they own.

1. Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost Thy sev'nfold gifts impart.

3. Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of Thy grace;
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where Thou art Guide, no ill can come.

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*Praise to Thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

2. Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight.

4. Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee, of both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This, this may be our endless song.

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| 1. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid. | 3. Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
Odours of Edom, and offerings divine,
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine? |
| 2. Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining;
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all. | 4. Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favour secure:
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor. |
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1. O let the Son of God enfold you With his Spirit and His love Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let Him have the things that hold you, And His Spirit, like a dove, Will descend upon your life and make you whole.	<i>Jesus, O Jesus Come and fill Your lambs Jesus, O Jesus Come and fill Your lambs</i>
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2. O come and sing this song with gladness, As your hearts are filled with joy
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name, O give Him all your tears and sadness,
Give Him all your years of pain, And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

1. A great and mighty wonder, A full and holy cure! The Virgin bears the Infant With virgin-honour pure: <i>Repeat the hymn again!</i> <i>'To God on high be glory, And peace on earth to men.'</i>	3. While thus they sing your Monarch, Those bright angelic bands, Rejoice, ye vales and mountains, Ye oceans, clap your hands: <i>Repeat ...</i>
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2. The Word becomes incarnate, And yet remains on high; And cherubim sings anthems To shepherds from the sky: <i>Repeat ...</i>	4. Since all he comes to ransom, By all be he adored, The infant born in Bethlem, The Saviour and the Lord: <i>Repeat ...</i>
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1. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Bow down before him, his glory proclaim; With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness, Kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.	3. Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness Of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine: Truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness, These are the offerings to lay on his shrine.
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2. Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness: High on his heart he will bear it for thee, Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness, Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.	4. These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness, He will accept for the name that is dear; Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness, Trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.
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Deacon Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.