

# Weekly Notices



## CHRISTMAS

9.30am Christmas Day

Said Eucharist

Wednesday 25 December 2024

### Collect:

*Almighty God,*

you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; 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.**

### A reading from prophet Isaiah

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the LORD to Zion.

Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the LORD has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

### A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds.

He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

### Gospel according to John

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God.

All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him.

He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him.

He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him.

But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

### Post Communion Prayer:

*God our Father,*  
whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord.

## Weekly Worship

**There will be no midweek communion services other than Midnight Mass and Christmas Morning.**

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## Christmas Services



Tuesday 24 December  
Midnight Mass at 11.30pm  
Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 25 December  
Christmas Morning at 9.30am  
Said Eucharist

Sunday 29 December  
Sung Eucharist at 10am



If you would like to make an offering to St. Gluvias Church please place your gift either on the collection plate or use the card-reader at the back of church.

Alternatively, if you have a smart phone, please scan this QR code donate.

**Your gift supports our ongoing mission work & helps towards the upkeep of this church.**

**Thank you for your kind gift.**

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Dear All,

I wanted to write some short words to send out in any Christmas newsletters you have going out in your churches.

We are so blessed in Penryn Benefice to have so many faithful Christians in our churches, ready and willing to be a committed Christian presence in all our communities. This Christmas there have been some wonderful opportunities to be present in and around the Benefice. I received invitations to the *Switching on of the Penryn Lights* and the *Penryn Community College Christmas Concert*. We had a great *Christmas Community Service in St Gluvias Church Hall*. I've also been to *2 Christmas Bazaars*, *3 Christmas Carol Services*, *5 Crib and Christingle Services* and *7 Advent Adventure Workshops* with local schools, and still another week to go! Next year the plan is to make a song for the Penryn "12 events/days of Christmas."

Christmas is such a joyful festival for all ages, and I would like to leave you with the blessing of this prayer for Christmas Day;

**Lord, may we be like the Wise Men  
Who were guided to you by a star,  
Give us the wisdom to seek you,  
Light to guide us to you,  
Courage to search until we find you,  
Graciousness to worship you  
And generosity to lay our gifts before  
you, Who are our King and our God,  
Forever and ever, Amen**

May you be filled with Christmas Blessings,

*Revd Emma*

## Weekly Prayer Intentions:

### **Mission and Ministry of this Parish:**

For those living and working in Penryn and surrounding villages. For the parish of St. Gluvias and a growth in our congregation.

For the homeless in our parish and throughout the country. For those that rely on the support of the Foodbank.

### **For the World:**

We pray for victims of terrorism the world over; for all affected by atrocities around the world and for persecuted Christians.

*We pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.*

*We call upon you to show mercy to the people Israel and Palestine and protect them.*

*We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.*

We continue to pray for all people fleeing violence and oppression. For all exploited by people smugglers and for refugees across the world.

For those affected by natural disasters around the world. Help us to value the environment so that we can all work to reverse climate change and global warming.

### **In the diocese cycle of prayer:**

#### **CHRISTMAS PRAYER**

*Faithful God,*

As the world watches and waits for the hungry to be fed, for the powerful to be humbled and for the lowly to be lifted up; Grant us deep faith in your promises, endless hope in your mercy and the assurance of your presence amongst us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*Prayer by The Right Revd Hugh Nelson*

### **Anglican Communion:**

Wed 25 - Christmas Day - The Diocese of Kumasi – The Church of the Province of West Africa

## **Prayers for Christmas**

Let us pray to Jesus our Saviour.

Christ, born in a stable,  
give courage to all who are  
homeless.

Jesus, Saviour, **hear our prayer.**

Christ, for whom the angels sang,  
give the song of the kingdom to all  
who weep.

Jesus, Saviour, **hear our prayer.**

Christ, worshipped by the  
shepherds,  
give peace on earth to all who are  
oppressed.

Jesus, Saviour, **hear our prayer.**

Christ, before whom the wise men  
knelt,

give humility and wisdom to all  
who govern.

Jesus, Saviour, **hear our prayer.**

Christ, whose radiance filled a  
lowly manger,

give the glory of your resurrection  
to all who rest in you.

Jesus, Saviour, **hear our prayer.**

We remember in our prayers those  
suffering in mind, body or spirit  
especially:

**Joan Wood, Claire Coombes,  
Jackie Dare, Pat Rogers,  
Lilian Hosking, Joan Whitford,  
Gill, and young Lilly.**

We remember those who  
anniversaries fall at this time:

**Gertrude Gill, John White,  
Elizabeth Window (22<sup>nd</sup>),  
Peggy Blundell, John Window (24<sup>th</sup>),  
Lilian Buckingham (26<sup>th</sup>),  
Gwendoline Bending (27<sup>th</sup>),  
William Baker (28<sup>th</sup>).**

Jesus, Saviour, child of Mary,  
you know us and love us,  
you share our lives  
and hear our prayer.

**Glory to you for ever. Amen.**

Our thanks go to **Anne & Paul  
Campbell** for supplying and  
decorating our wonderful  
Christmas Tree this year.