

**The church is now open during the following times for private prayer:**

**Sunday 12noon - 4.00pm**

One of the clergy is usually available 10.15am – 12noon

**Monday – Saturday 9.30am – 5.00pm**

During term-time, Morning Prayer is said at 9.15am on Monday to Thursday. The Revd Mark is available then for pastoral conversations. Please contact him by phone or email to discuss the arranging of Weddings, Banns of Marriage, Baptisms, etc.

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St JAMES the APOSTLE  
& St MARY MAGDALENE  
Quedgeley & Kingsway  
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#### **5<sup>th</sup> January: The Epiphany of the Lord**

#### **10.00am Parish Eucharist**

cel: Fr. David H. pr: Fr. Ian

#### **Bible Readings for the Eucharist**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Isaiah 60. 1 - 6

Reader: Alice Marume

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Ephesians 3. 1 - 12

Reader: Liz Keenan

**Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia.

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world.

**Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Gospel:** St Matthew 2. 1 - 12

**Intercessions** led by: Di Ramsay

#### **Collect 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.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

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. .

#### **Hymns at the 10am Eucharist today :**

**49, 152, 85, 350, “Because he lives”** (hymn book cover), **330**

**11.45am: STJ's Worship & Praise**

**please pray for:** those who are ill: Marita Westgate, Elizabeth, Jane & Doug Drakeley, June, Jo Miles, Kevin Dewhurst, Margaret Hartley, Fr. Gordon, Mary Ellis, Rita Cornwall, Marie Spicer, Barbara Valander, Pauline Burgwin, Millie Worrell, Pat & John Hall, Joy Cockerton, Cathy, Pam Westwood, Shirley Buckle, Doris Webb, Diane Nichols, Jan Pace, Sister Remedy, David Steer

**those who have died:** Doug Jones; all those whom we have known & loved; all who have worshipped with us here; all victims of domestic abuse; those who have died as a result of political violence; victims of natural disasters.

### **In St James Church: in the coming weeks:**

#### **8<sup>th</sup> Jan. Wednesday after Epiphany:**

**10am Eucharist** Fr. Michael

1 John 4.7-10; Mark 6.34-44

#### **8<sup>th</sup> Jan:**

11.30am Bounce & Rhyme

2.00pm Tea at Two

#### **12<sup>th</sup> January: The Baptism of Christ**

##### **10.00am Parish Eucharist**

Isaiah 43.1- 7; Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-17,21-22

##### **11.45am STJ's Worship & Praise**

**18<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Last date for Notes and articles for February's edition of "Around the Spire". Thank you.

**1<sup>st</sup> Feb: 10am – 10am – 12noon: New Year Coffee Morning & Sale.** If you have items suitable for sale or raffle prizes, Lu P. & Jackie B. will be pleased to receive them. Thank you.

***"God loves Quedgeley – let's live that love together!"***

#### **From the Revd Mark:**

The Church Electoral Roll is our only official list of Church members – every parish has one and every six years the roll has to be renewed. 2025 is the year for our renewal, so from 1<sup>st</sup> January a new roll will be compiled and everyone who wishes to be enrolled must reapply.

To be eligible, you must be 16 years of age or over; you must be baptised, and be either a resident in the Parish of Quedgeley and Kingsway or a regular worshipper at St James' Church.

Ann & Gordon Williams have taken on the task of compiling our Electoral Roll and they will have a form available in church for you to complete and return to them. The forms will then be kept securely.

It is important that we have an up to date and accurate record of our members, so please do not hesitate to complete a form Thank you!

#### **TO PRAY AT THE CRIB**

I am sure that all our church members value the Crib of Christmas in St James Church. It remains in place through until the Feast of Candlemass - February. 2nd. I suggest that you might see it as more than just a work of art by our church members which of course it is, but as an aid to your prayers. Based on the CRIB scene, it goes like this -

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

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

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

Christ before whom the wise men knelt - give humility and wisdom to all who govern.

Christ whose radiance filled a lowly manger - give the glory of your resurrection to all who rest in you."

So now give this a try. It might make this Christmas season a little more full of meaning!

Let me know how you get on. Fr. Hugh