



St Anne's Church, Chingford

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2nd February 2025 – Presentation of Christ Parish Eucharist - 10.00

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- Welcomers:** Jacqui Haniff-Bentham, Bridget Tongo
Servers: Lindsey Archer, Phil Hallsworth, Jenny Scotchmer
Chalice: Julie Adesina, Lindsey Archer
Lessons: Lindsey Archer
Prayers: Julie Adesina
Leader: Jude Bullock
Preacher: Jude Bullock
Celebrant: Mick Scotchmer
Music: Bill Gloyn

- Hymns:**
 114 Colours of day
 560 O Lord my God
 See enclosed sheet for post
 Homily hymn.
 387 Jesus is Lord
 692 Tell out my soul



ECO Thought for February
*Take only what you
 need and leave the
 land as you found it*



This week →	Today			Brief PCC meeting after service
	Tuesday	4th Feb	20.00	MLT
	Friday	7th Feb	10.00	Eucharist
	Sunday	9th Feb	10.00	Parish Eucharist

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son
was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and
Anna,
who lived to welcome the Messiah:
may we, who have received these gifts
beyond words,
prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes
to bring us to eternal life;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading

Malachi 3.1-5

Thus says the Lord God: ¹See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

⁵Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts. This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 2.14-18

¹⁴Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people.

¹⁸Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel

Luke 2.22-40

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

²²When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

²⁹Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;

³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.'

³³And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

³⁶There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ

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We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme



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please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.

Ukraine and Eat or Heat - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

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Electoral Roll - 2025 is a year when we need to produce a new Electoral Roll. The review commences today until 9th March. Everyone on the present Electoral Roll will receive a letter reminding them that they need to complete a new form.

Litter Pick - The spring litter pick will be at 2.30pm on Saturday 1st March. Please join us if you can for our twice-yearly effort to improve our local environment.

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FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for February: 2nd George Radford, 3rd Emily Brewis, 5th Gladys Travis, 6th Walter Rolfe, 16th Angela Birchnall, 17th Ted Bulled, 20th William Sherman, 21st Gordon Wilkinson, 22nd Beryl Lovitt, 23rd Arthur Runeckles, Victor Foster, 24th Dorothy Potter, Albert Gates, 25th Maureen Cope, Sheila Treadwell, 26th Gladys Gloyn, Kenneth Gwynn, 27th Lillian Bates. 28th Teresa Carroll.

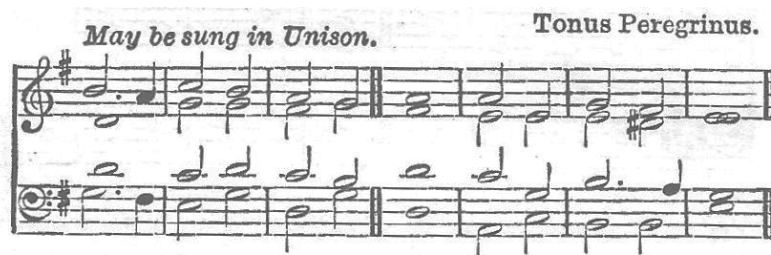
*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them,
may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*

Today's opening music will be based on the German chorale melody, "Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin" (In peace and joy I now depart). First published in 1524 it was Martin Luther's translation of the Latin "Nunc dimittis" set as a four-verse hymn, with a tune also written by him, for all the congregation to sing – rather than just the monks. Following the basic chorale, there will be Preludes and variations based on it composed by Johann Sebastian Bach; Brahms; Friedrich Zachow (Handel's first music teacher); Max Reger (1901) and Buxtehude – with the final variation being a Lament for his recently departed father.

As this is the final week of the Epiphany season, music during the Peace will again be the Ukrainian "Carol of the bells" followed by the Ukraine Peace Anthem.

Inspired by the Gospel lesson, the music during communion is a transcription of the anthem "When to the Temple Mary went" by Johannes Eccard, a leading German composer during the Reformation. The outgoing music is the chorale prelude "Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich" (The day that is so joyful) by J S Bach.

Nunc Dimittis – Tonus Peregrinus from *The Snape and Friston Chant Book*



ST. LUKE ii. 29.

Full { **L**ORD now letttest thou thy **servant** de- | part in | peace : **ac-** |
p { cording | to thy | word.
 2 **F**or mine | eyes have | seen : **thy** | — sal- | va- | tion,
 3 **W**hich **thou** | hast pre- | par-ed : **before** the | face of | all |
 people;
cres 4 To be a **light** to | lighten · the | Gentiles : and to be the **glory** |
 of thy | people | Israel.
Full { Glory be to the **F**ather and | to the | Son : **and** | to the | Holy |
f { Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning * is **now** and | ever | shall be :
world without | end. | **A-** | men.

The **Nunc Dimittis** is a canticle (biblical words sung to a chant, like a psalm) based on the Song of Simeon in the Gospel of Luke, chapter 2. It dates back to the fifth century and is one of the earliest recorded Christian songs. Traditionally sung at the last monastic service of the day, Compline, just before bedtime.

The Latin words were translated for the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. The canticle was included in the service of Evensong, where it is usually sung with the Magnificat – Mary's song on hearing that she was to be the mother of Jesus – "My soul doth magnify the Lord".

This chant goes back to medieval times and has been the basis of many variations since. It was first recorded before the modern system of writing music was developed and was originally sung as only the plainsong melody – with the harmony being added several centuries after.