



St Anne's Church, Chingford

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11th January 2026 – Baptism of Christ

Parish Eucharist – 10.00

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Welcomers: Heather Gwynn, Bridget Tongo

Servers: Lindsey Archer, Phil Hallsworth, Jenny Scotchmer

Chalice: Jenny Scotchmer, Anthony Sullivan

Lessons: Clare Fullerton

Prayers: Rosalind Tatam

Preacher: Mick Scotchmer

Celebrant: Mick Scotchmer

Music: Bill Gloyn

*Never doubt that a small group of
thoughtful, committed citizens can
change the world. Indeed, it is the
only thing that ever has*

Margaret Mead

Hymns:

669 Songs of thankfulness and praise

589 On Jordan's bank

120 Come down, O Love divine

716 The Kingdom is upon you

280 Hail to the Lord's anointed



This week



Wednesday	14 th Jan	11.30	Bible Study Group
Friday	16 th Jan	10.00	Eucharist
Sunday	18 th Jan	10.00	All Age Eucharist

Collect

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the
Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your
adopted children;
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.

Old Testament Reading

1 Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
2 He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
3 a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
4 He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.
5 Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
6 I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,*
a light to the nations,
7 to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
8 I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.

Post Communion

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself
as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Isaiah 42.1-9

9 See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Reading

Acts 10.34-43

³⁴Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel

Matthew 3.13-17

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹³Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?'

¹⁵But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

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 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.

All-Age Service next Sunday – At our all-age service next Sunday we will welcome Sally Muuns as our preacher. Sally is an LLM at St John's Church, West Wickham. Sally will be exploring the use of art in public and private worship to enhance our spirituality. This will be our last item of YES25, deferred from November.

Candlemas STAR Music – Bill is hoping to have a choral music item at our service on Candlemas. If you would like to be part of the choir, please let Bill or Erika know. Rehearsals after the Sunday service.

This week's music - As part of his duties as director of music at St Thomas Church in Leipzig, J S Bach had to compose and perform a cantata for every week of the church year and festivals. There are some 200 still in existence and many others have been lost. The music today comes from a cantata composed by Bach for this Sunday, The Baptism of Christ, together with other works by his contemporaries and modern composers on the same theme.

Holocaust Memorial Day 19.30 27th January– The East London and Essex Liberal Synagogue are holding an evening of shared stories and remembrance to commemorate the day. We are warmly invited to join them.

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 January; 1st Frank Garratt, 2nd Iris Gwynn, Ronald Hughes, 3rd Edward Yuill, Peter Thornton, 4th Monica Harris, 5th George Bates, 6th Gabriel Quehan, 7th Lucy Newnham, 8th Arthur Moxon, 16th Betty Ward, 18th Edna Langsdon, 23rd John Sullivan, 25th Geoff Wood, Colin Smith-Pryor, 27th Joye Thurbon, 29th Stanley Rickard, Mike Neighbour.

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