

Welcome

We welcome the Revd. Catherine Barnard as our Preacher and Celebrant this morning.

Bargain Hunt

The BBC programme Bargain Hunt will be filming an item for one of their episodes in our church/hall on Monday 27th January from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. This isn't something open to others, but we will let you know when it will be broadcast. Fame at last!

Please pray for all on our prayer list: Dermot, Eric and Wendy, Doreen, Ivan, Pauline, Tracy, Keretha and Simon, Billy, John and anyone known to you

Activities for the week

Today	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
Monday 27th	9.30 a.m.	Bargain Hunt filming
Tuesday 28th	12 noon	Knit'n'Natter
	6.00 p.m.	Beaver Scouts
Wednesday 29th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion at St. James's
	2.45 p.m.	Prime Time Junior
	6.30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7.30 p.m.	Scouts and Explorers
Sunday 2nd	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion

Sunday 26th January 2025

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Service: Holy Communion

3: 553; 560; 494

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

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Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Vacant

Assistant Curate

Revd. Daniel Furlong (tel: 07749 941348)

Churchwardens:

Mrs. Grace Studholme; Mr. John Ratnik

Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services.

Refreshments.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day (*3rd Sunday of Epiphany*)

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6,8-10

¹ All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ² Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month.

³ He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

⁵ And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶ Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen,' lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸ So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation.

They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹ And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law.

¹⁰ Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom

nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'

Luke 4.14-21

¹⁴ Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. ¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him.

²¹ Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

Post Communion (*3rd Sunday of Epiphany*)

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.