

**ST.JAMES'  
BULKINGTON PARISH CHURCH**

We extend a warm welcome to any visitors with us today. All are invited to come and receive communion or to receive a blessing. Please stay afterwards for coffee and fellowship.

Rev. Charles will be in Church to pray Morning Prayer 8.30am Monday – Thursday. To pray for our churches and local communities. If you would like to join him, you are very welcome.

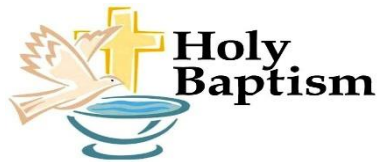
**NEWS SHEET FOR WEEK COMMENCING**



**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>  
January 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday of Epiphany**

8.30a.m. Holy Communion Burton Hastings  
**Readings 1 Corinthians 12: 1 – 11, John 2: 1-11**  
10.00a.m. Parish Communion  
Readings Isaiah 62:1-5, 1Corinthians 12:1-11  
John 2: 1-11

12.00p.m. Baptism  
Leah Bench



4.30p.m. Evensong  
Readings Psalm 96 1 Samuel 3: 1-20  
Ephesians 4: 1-16

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

10.00a.m. Holy Communion  
Readings Hebrews 7: 1-3, 15-17, Mark 3: 1-6

3p.m. Funeral Patricia O' Neill.

**Remaining Services for January.**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany**

10.00a.m. Holy Communion  
**4.30p.m. Evensong Burton Hastings**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January**

10.00a.m. Holy Communion

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Alasdair Rowan,  
Paul Towers,  
Matthew Williams,  
Margaret Wykes,  
Pat Gilbey.  
Joan Gutteridge



Those in our Prayer Corner. Anyone known to us personally.  
Those who have died; Patricia O'Neill

**'A CHURCH OF THE COMMUNITY FOR  
THE COMMUNITY'**

**EPIPHANY REFLECTIONS JANUARY 2019**

Do you like mysteries? Famous detectives unravelling a complicated plot, a group of police tracking down a villain at all costs. Or perhaps you like grappling with a difficult riddle or working to complete a puzzle? Mysteries, real or imagined enthrall and intrigue so many. What is a mystery? Some of these things suggest it's a complicated truth that's to be grappled with and enjoyed. It's something with depth that captures us. Maybe we think of mysteries as too complicated to bother with. The Bible uses the word mystery to mean 'a truth that can only be revealed by God'.

During January the Church celebrates the feast and season of Epiphany. Epiphany means "appearance". We celebrate Jesus appearing on Earth and that in him God reveals a mystery – he shows us who he is in Jesus. In mystery stories, the central character often has an epiphany as well – a sudden idea that turns the whole case around. We might call it a "light bulb moment". I wonder if any lightbulb moments stand out in your memory? Over the weeks of Epiphany, we'll explore some moments where Jesus helped people to realise more of who God is – at his baptism, when he turned water into wine and when he began his ministry.

This year I have been grateful for a lightbulb moment about those wise men that came to visit the infant Jesus and bring him gifts. I had imagined that meeting Jesus brought a great journey of many miles to an end. In one way it did, but really it was the beginning of something that would change the rest of their lives and beyond. When we meet Jesus, when we have those lightbulb moments and realise more about him, that is just the start of a life-changing journey. A very happy new year to you all - let's look forward to sharing the journey together!

Rev. Charles Higgins

## LADY CHAPEL FLOWERS 2019



There is a rota for this but a number who take their turn (about three times a year) either by using their skills to provide a beautiful arrangement, or alternately make a donation for arrangers to beautify the Lady Chapel, has dwindled to seven over the years. If you would like to help in any way please speak to Anne.

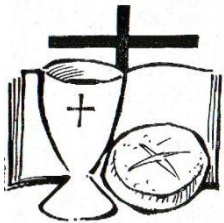
### HELP REQUIRED

People are required at the Sunday 10.00a.m service as sides persons. The duties are to arrive about 30 minutes before the service, to meet and greet people, give out the books, to take the collection and then at the end of the service put away books. There is a rota for this and it would be about once every six weeks. If you would be willing to join the rota please speak to Rachel Partridge or one of the church wardens.

### MONTHLY CHARITY

The January Monthly Charity will be LUPUS UK

### HOME COMMUNION



Home communion is available on request to anyone who is unable to attend church. If anyone known to you wishes to receive communion please contact Rev. Charles or one of the church wardens.

### Children's Society Boxes

It is now the time to collect the boxes for counting. If you have a box please bring it to church as soon as possible.

If anyone wishes to become a new box holder

### Hospital Chaplaincy Training Course.

George Eliot Hospital

Monday mornings  
28<sup>th</sup> January – 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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### Oasis Relaxation Training Course

George Eliot Hospital

Wednesday mornings  
6<sup>th</sup> February – 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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If you are interested in either of the above courses or would like to know more please contact:-  
Ricarda Witcombe on - 024 7686 5046  
Email Ricarda.witcombe@geh.nhs.uk

## COFFEE MORNING

### A Thank You to All

Our Coffee Morning is over,  
St James needs time to recover.  
Such a buzz and a hum did our lovely folk make,  
As they chatted away while sampling our cake.  
Anne had the raffle with prizes galore.  
As she welcomed all who came through the door.  
Kitchen staff were kept on their toes,  
As orders for drinks steadily rose,  
Elizabeth on coffee, and Brian on teas,

Expertly dispatched, they are the bees knees,  
Trays of this, and trays of that  
Went flying through the serving hatch.

Pam with new teapots, tea towels for Jean.  
An organised kitchen nowhere else would be seen.  
In solitary confinement, was cake cutter Ginny,  
Slicing and plating, and wearing her pinny.  
May was kept busy serving choices of cake,  
And there was our Shirley with money to take.  
Chris and John had the clearing in hand,  
Pots and crocks swiftly returned to the stand.  
Hands in the sink was the lovely Christine,  
Washing and cleaning the steady stream.  
Amongst all the bustle were Charles and Sybil.  
Office duties were calling, no time for a nibble.  
Twelve thirty arrived - we were almost done,  
And in four more weeks, another one.  
V. M. C.



### CONTACT US

All enquiries for Baptism & Weddings. In Church Saturday morning 10a.m. -12 noon  
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Rev. Charles day off is Friday  
Church Office.  
Saturday in Church 10a.m. – 12noon.  
Churchwardens:-  
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