

This Weeks Diary



Parish of Paignton
St John the Baptist, Paignton
St Boniface, Paignton



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Mon 31st Jan – Fri 4th Feb: Morning & Evening Prayer
8:30am & 5pm: St John's: Common Worship

Sunday 30th January: Presentation of Christ in the Temple. (Candlemass)

Malachi 3. 1- 5. Psalm 24. [1- 6] 7- end.

Hebrews 2. 14- end. Luke 2. 22- 40

Hymns: 4, 453, 458, 314, N-H&W 166

08:00 St John's: BCP

10:00 St John's: Holy Communion

11.15 St Boniface: Songs of Praise

Monday 31st January: John Bosco

2 Samuel 15.13-14, 30; 16.5- 13. Psalm 3. Mark 5.1- 20

09.30 St John's: Holy Communion

Tuesday 1st February: Bridgid

2 Samuel 18. 9- 10, 14, 24- 25, 30- 19.3. Psalm 86. 1- 6.

Mark 5.21- end

09:30 St Boniface: Holy Communion

Wednesday 2nd February

2 Samuel 24. 2, 9- 17. Psalm 32.1- 8. Mark 6. 1- 6A.

11:00 St John's: Holy Communion

Thursday 3rd February: Anskar

1 Kings 2.1- 4,10- 12. Canticle 1 Chronicles 29. 10- 12 or

Psalm 145.1-5. Mark 6.7- 13

09:30 St John's: Holy Communion

Friday 4th February: Gilbert

Ecclesiasticus 47.2- 11. Psalm 18.31- 36,50- end.

Mark 6. 14- 29

09:30 St John's: Holy Communion

Saturday 5th February

1 Kings 3. 4- 13. Psalm 119. 9- 16. Mark 6. 30- 34

9:00. Holy Communion

Sunday 6th February: 4th Sunday before Lent

Accession of Queen Elizabeth 2, 1952

Isaiah 6.1- 8 [9- end]. Psalm 138. 1 Corinthians 15. 1- 11.

Luke 5. 1- 11.

Hymns: 239, N-H&W 292, 312, N-H&W 393, 128

08:00 St John's: BCP

10:00 St John's: Holy Communion

11.15 St Boniface: Satellite Style

Dates for the Diary

Sat 19th Feb St John's: PCC Meeting at 09:45

What Christians Believe Study mornings

- Saturdays: 5, 12 & 19th Mar – Coverdale Centre:

Lent Fellowship Discussions

- **Tue:** 8, 15, 22, 29 Mar & 5 Apr: St Boniface 7.30pm
- **Wed:** 9, 16, 23, 30 Mar & 6 Apr: St John's 12:30pm
- Sun 3rd Apr St John's: AMP/APCM at 11:45

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SUNDAY 30th January 2022 Candlemass

Outlook Shop: Can you help? Our shop at 22 Palace Avenue, Paignton urgently require more bric-a-brac, carrier bags and volunteers. Please take items directly to the shop or contact Elaine on 01803-400553.

Confirmation Service: A Confirmation Service has been provisionally booked for Sunday the 1st May with Bishop Nick. Anyone seeking to be Confirmed or Affirm their Baptismal Vows in this service please speak to Fr. Neil. Additionally, will be running three Emmaus preparation sessions on 'What Christians Believe' in the Coverdale Centre on Saturdays 5, 12 & 19th March between 10-12noon to which, anyone is welcome to attend. Contact Fr. Neil for more details.

Lent Fellowship Discussions: *Towards the Sunrise* takes the theme of a journey and follows the disciples as they gradually become aware of the reality of the resurrection and what it means for them – and us. The dates are outlined below and sign-up sheets will come out in coming weeks (*just to help plan provision of booklets*). Do join us for some or all sessions as you can.

Tue: 8, 15, 22, 29 Mar & 5 Apr: St Boniface at 7.30pm

Wed: 9, 16, 23, 30 Mar & 6 Apr: St John's at 12:30pm

Breakfast with the Bible: Come along to the Coverdale Centre on the five Sundays between 6Mar-3Apr between 08:50-09:40 to delve deeper into the gospel reading set for that day with Fr Neil. Tea/coffee toast provided.

Parish Office and Contact Number: The new contact number for the parish office is now 07915 736169 and will be manned 9am-12noon Mon-Fri. **Note:** the old redirect from 01803 551866 will cease 30th Jan 2022 when it will return to being the landline for the Vicar.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

- The vulnerable in our community incl. babies and the aged and infirm;
- Parents who have few of the worlds goods and seek to raise their children to flourish and all they can be;
- Those faithfully waiting to encounter God for themselves;
- All who need God's love and protection including ourselves, but most especially for those in need or suffering including those who have asked for our prayers;
Sue, Brenda, Margaret, Beverley, Paula, Emma, Rick, Rob, Timothy, Penelope
- The souls of those who have died recently; their families and friends and any whose anniversary of death falls at this time: *George McLellan, Arthur Nicholson, Stella Natten, Bill Yates, Mary Smaridge, Keith Hines, Marion Green, Evelyn Walker*

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.

Malachi 3. 1- 5

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Psalm 24

Lift up your | heads, O gates;
be lifted up, you ever | lasting doors;
and the king of glory | shall come in.

‘Who is the | king of glory?’
‘The Lord, | strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.’

Lift up your | heads, O gates;
Be lifted up, you ever | lasting doors;
and the king of glory | shall come in.

‘Who is this | king of glory?’
‘The | Lord of hosts,
he is the | king of glory.’

Hebrews 2. 14 - end

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Luke 2. 22 - 40

22 When the time came for their
purification according to the law of
Moses, they brought him 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.’

25 Now 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, 29 ‘Master, now you are
dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word; 30 for my
eyes have seen your salvation, 31which
you have prepared in the presence of
all peoples, 32 a light for revelation to
the Gentiles and for glory to your
people Israel.’ 33 And 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.’ 36 There 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 for
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. 39 When
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.

Luke 2. 22- 40 Study Notes

Jesus has been circumcised, marking
him as a member of God’s chosen
people, Israel, through whom world
salvation was to be achieved. After
childbirth, it was 40 days before a
mother could be purified before a
priest in the Temple, so it is at least
that long since Jesus’ birth. She was
expected to offer a lamb, along with a
turtledove or a pigeon; if she were
poor (as Mary is), two turtledoves or

pigeons sufficed. Exodus required
that every firstborn boy be
consecrated to God. Jesus’
presentation in the Temple is like
Samuel’s. Jesus and his family fulfil
the requirements of Mosaic law.
Simeon looks forward to the coming
of the Messiah to restore Israel to
favour with God (“the consolation of
Israel”, v.25). The Spirit has told him
that he will see the Christ before he
dies (v.26). Simeon’s words in vv. 29-
32 are known as the Nunc Dimittis,
from the first words in Latin. He
begins by saying that God is setting
him free, as a slave is granted liberty.
He is now free to die (for the Spirit’s
revelation to him is now fulfilled), and
Israel is free of bondage. God has
saved Israel, as he promised to “all
peoples”; his salvation is for Gentiles
too. In v. 33, Joseph is Jesus’ legal
father. Simeon prophesies in vv.34-35
through the Spirit (v.25). Jesus is
destined for the death and
resurrection (“the falling and the
rising”, v.34) of many; he will meet
opposition, and will cause many to
think deeply about him. Mary too will
need to decide for or against Christ
 (“own soul”, v.35). Simeon and Anna
together stand before God; to Luke,
men and women are equal in God’s
eyes. Anna praises God, and tells
many the meaning of Jesus, as Simeon
has prophesied. Like Samuel, “the
favour of God was upon him” (v.40).

Once you are settled

Read the passage slowly and
reflectively. Note anything that
particularly strikes you and refer to
the notes if they are helpful.

Questions for reflection:

1. Which one of Simeon or Anna do
you relate to most? Why is that?
2. When you come to church to
worship God do you expect to
encounter God for yourselves and for
him to show up? (Go deeper than yes
or no)
3. Have you ever felt like you have
been anointed by the Holy Spirit.
What was it like?

Read the passage for a final time and
give thanks to God for the gift of his
holy word.