

## DIARY THIS WEEK 2025

### Monday 29th

10:00am Craft Drop In – Church Centre

### Next Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

#### THE SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

8:00 am **SAID EUCHARIST**

9:30 am **SUNG EUCHARIST**

**Readings:** Isaiah 60:1–6; Psalm 72.1–7, 10–14;  
Ephesians 3:1–12; Matthew 2:1–12.c

#### CRAFT DROP IN

Monday in the Church Centre from 10-12. An opportunity to bring along whatever you happen to be working on whether it be a work of art or simply a colouring book. For company, laughter and chat.

#### Parish Lunch

The next Parish Lunch will be **12:00 noon** on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at The Six Halts, Clay Cross.  
Contact Sandra Harris for details **01246 601470**

#### The Food Bank is in urgent need of donations!

**Urgently needed:** powdered milk, instant mash, sponge puddings, UHT milk, long life fruit juice, coffee and tea, together with cleaning products, toiletries, nappies and sanitary products.

**We are always looking for strong carrier bags.**  
Thank you



## All Saints Church

W I N G E R W O R T H

### SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2025 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Welcome to all who join in our worship today,  
especially newcomers and visitors.

Please join us in the Church Centre for coffee after  
our 9:30 am service.

**We offer thanks to Revd. Canon Allan Lacey  
who presides at our Eucharist services today.**

**8.00 am SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**9:30 am SUNG EUCHARIST**

**Hymns: 700, 588, 776, 93, 508.**

#### COLLECT

O God,  
who by the leading of a star  
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the  
earth:  
mercifully grant that we,  
who know you now by faith,  
may at last behold your glory face to face;  
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.

**Amen**

#### POST COMMUNION

Lord God,  
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:  
may we who with the wise men have been drawn  
by your light  
discern the glory of your presence in your Son,  
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

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## FIRST READING

### Isaiah 63.7–9

*A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.*

7 I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD, the praiseworthy acts of the LORD, because of all that the LORD has done for us, and the great favour to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

8 For he said, 'Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely';

9 and he became their saviour in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

### PSALM 148

**RESPONSE: Praise, O praise the name of the Lord.**

1 Alleluia! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights.

2 Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.

#### RESPONSE

4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the name of the Lord; for he commanded and they were created.

6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

#### RESPONSE

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog,

tempestuous wind, doing his will;

9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

#### RESPONSE

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds;

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, old and young together.

#### RESPONSE

13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven.

14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Alleluia!

## SECOND READING

### Hebrews 2.10–18

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.*

10 It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

11 For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

12 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

13 And again, 'I will put my trust in him.' And again, 'Here am I and the children whom God has given me.'

14 Since the children share flesh and blood, he 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, 15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death.

16 For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham.

17 Therefore 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.

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

## GOSPEL

### Matthew 2.13–23

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

13 After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.'

14 Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt,

15 and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

16 When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. 17 Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:

18 'A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.'

19 When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said,

20 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.'

21 Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.

22 But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee.

23 There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, 'He will be called a Nazorean.'