

## Notices

We are looking for volunteers to join the **Rota to do the flowers** at the High Altar and/or around the Paschal candle. Unfortunately, we have lost a number of people recently and really need more volunteers so as to share the load. If you feel you could help or want to discuss what is involved please contact Christine Penney. 07903618740 or christine5.penney@gmail.com

The PCC are pleased to be able to report that the events held to celebrate the **800th anniversary** yielded a surplus in excess of £1700.00. A fuller report on this activity will be available for the APCM.

**The Christmas event**, including the Christmas tree display, held on the 20th December made a profit in excess of £650.00. Thanks to all who helped.

**The Home Group** will resume on January 14th @ 6:30pm online. Between now and Lent, we will be following the Bible Society Course, simply called the Bible Course. The group will meet as usual via Teams during the winter months. If you would like to join us, please speak to either Carol Hellen or Marion Goodman. All are welcome. We plan to continue with the Set Our Hearts on Fire - Advent and Lent Course during Lent. If you would more information, please call Carol on 362283.

### Refreshments on Saturday and Sunday mornings:

The PCC has made the decision that a small charge of £1.50 should be made for a mug of tea or coffee (biscuits included!) We hope you will understand that in these difficult times, we need to find as many ways as possible to raise much needed funds for our church.

Due to antisocial behaviour within the building when it is unattended the PCC regret that the church will now only be open for visitors and private prayer at the following times:

#### Term Time

Weekdays 9am-3pm

Saturdays 10am-12pm

Sundays for Services Only

We are sorry for any inconvenience that this

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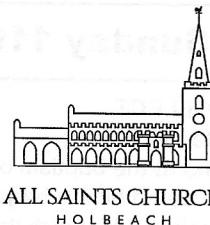
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## All Saints Church, Holbeach Baptism of Christ 11th January 2026



We are an inspiring and inclusive place of worship at the heart of the community. We hope and pray that you will find this place a blessing to you, a place of worship, a place to encounter God, a place of community and above all, a place of welcome.

Gluten free wafers available on request.

**Do join us for refreshments after the 10.30 service.**

## Today

### 10.30am Morning Worship

Leader and Preacher ALMs

**Hymns** 527 On Jordans Bank

282 Hills Of The North

259 Hail To The Lords Anointed

**Anthem** Litany To The Holy Spirit

**Hymns** 150 Do Not Be Afraid, For I Have

Redeemed You

646 The Kingdom Of God Is Justice & Joy

## For your Prayers

**For the Sick** Ruth, Raymond & Anastasia Winter, Matti Corrado, Sarah Abiss, Julie, Roger Quested, Harry Pollard, Ann Onyett, John Bambury, Matthew Watkins, Andrew Dean, Mick Walker, Nicki Thomson, Revd Barbara Hutchinson, Marion Goodman

**The Recently Departed** Wendy Sangster

**In Memoriam** Michael Gregory, Philip Ramsden, Jean Kelly, Leslie Martin, Margaret Radcliffe

## The week ahead

Weds 14th - 09.30am - Holy Communion

Thurs 15th - 2.00pm - Bell Ringing Practice

## Services for 18th January - Epiphany 2

10.30am Holy Communion

18.30pm Evensong

## Sunday 11th January

### 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.

### FIRST READING Isaiah 42.1-9

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.  
He will not cry or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;  
a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
He will not grow faint or be crushed  
until he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

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:  
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,  
to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
I am the Lord, that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to idols.  
See, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;  
before they spring forth,  
I tell you of them.

### PSALM 29

A Psalm of David.

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup> Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name;  
worship the Lord in holy splendour.

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the Lord is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders,  
the Lord, over mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup> The voice of the Lord is powerful;  
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup> He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Sirion like a young wild ox.

## Baptism of Christ

<sup>7</sup> The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

<sup>8</sup> The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

<sup>9</sup> The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl,  
and strips the forest bare;  
and in his temple all say, 'Glory!'

<sup>10</sup> The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as king for ever.

<sup>11</sup> May the Lord give strength to his people!  
May the Lord bless his people with peace!

### SECOND READING Acts 10.34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how 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. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not 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. He 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

### GOSPEL Matthew 3.13-end

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And 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. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

### 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.