

THE PARISH CHURCH
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Welcome to Our Bulletin for
The Parish Church of Hampton-in-Arden
Week commencing: Sunday 24th January 2021
3rd Sunday in Epiphany

Although we are legally allowed to remain open for worship, it has been the decision of our P.C.C. to follow Church of England guidelines and keep Hampton, Bickenhill and Barston Churches closed until further notice, to prevent the spread of Covid19

We understand that this is a difficult time for members of our congregation who are not able to use online facilities. If you are able to print this and future Bulletins and put them through the door of anyone you know who would like to be kept informed, but is unable to access our online services or website, it would be appreciated

Thank you for helping us keep you safe.

Please have a look on our website for links to online streamed services, recorded services and information, orders of service etc. www.hamptoninardenchurch.org.uk

You can use the following link to join the live-streamed services at 8.15 am and 7.30 pm on Sundays

Meeting ID: 796 7286 9465 Passcode: 5nLGGE

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/79672869465?pwd=c0JOTkdlRm5ITjhpc2R1N2grZU14QT09>

The 11 am Sunday live-streamed service for the 24th January can be accessed on the following link: <https://youtu.be/hOdOlAfMKak>

Let Chris our administrator know if you would like to be added to the group email and receive regular church updates. chris.cluley1@gmail.com

The pre-recorded service for the 24th January is available on the church website on Saturdays and the church will be open for private prayer on Thursdays and Sundays.

THOSE IN OUR PRAYERS: We pray for the world, for those countries where living circumstances mean it is difficult to stop the spread of Covid, we pray for America's new President, Joe Biden and the future of their country and its relationship with the UK. We pray for all who now have to contend with floods and bad weather. We pray for all who need a reason to keep going, for the lonely, for the desperate, for those who cannot escape abuse at this time, for those who feel unable to ask for the help they need. For those whose operations have been put on hold due to the pandemic. Give us compassion and empathy Lord, that we might be able to lift someone's spirit each day and offer small acts of kindness. We give thanks for good friends and the days when the sun shines; for the vaccines against Covid19 and those that administer them and we ask for your love and comfort for all the many families who have lost their loved ones to Covid.

We pray for those who are unwell: We pray for those who are sick and known to us, namely, Philip Russell, Margaret Possart, Chris Fellows, Alan Briscoe, Angela Jones, David Mort, Paul Robert Thomas, Tony Worthington, John Barton, Margaret, Ann Hall, Martin Read and Agapios Constantino together with those who are on our Prayer Board.

We pray for those who have died: We especially remember Felicity Biddle, Barbara Gibbons and all who are recently departed, thinking of their families and friends at this sad time. We remember today all whose anniversaries are at this time and all whom we love but see no more.

Readings for 24th January 2021: Revelation 19.6-10, John 2.1-11

COLLECT: Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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**

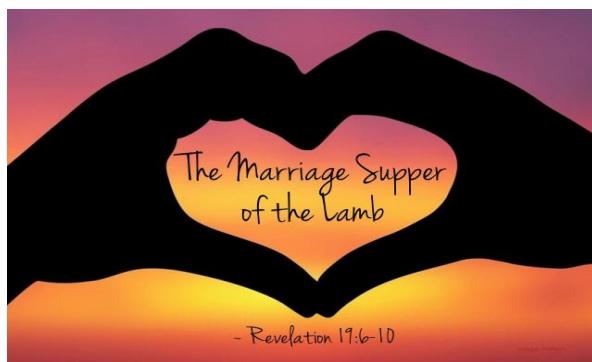
ALTERNATIVE COLLECT: God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

Hymns for 24th January 2021 You can sing along from home – If you don't have a hymn book, you should be able to access each hymn via YouTube.

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| 1. 14 All heaven declares | 2. 198 Hark, the glad sound |
| 3. 71 Brightest and best | 4. 280 Jesus, stand among us |
| 5. 152 Gather around | 6. 362 O for a thousand |

Readings for next week 31st January 2021 Candlemas

Hebrews 2.14-end, Luke 2.22-40



The funeral of Felicity Biddle will be Tuesday 9th February at 11 am in church followed by committal at Woodlands Crematorium. Her son-in-law Rev John Hughes will take the service. Margaret has asked that if anyone wants to come, to call her so she can add them to the numbers and also to ask that people respect the Covid restrictions. Her number is Felicity's.



Revelation 19:6-10

⁶ Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting:

"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. ⁷ Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. ⁸ Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear."

⁹ Then the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!" And he added, "These are the true words of God."

¹⁰ At this I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Don't do that! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers and sisters who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For it is the Spirit of prophecy who bears testimony to Jesus."

John 2: 1-11

1 On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

⁴ "Woman,^[a] why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶ Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.^[b]

⁷ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

⁸ Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, ⁹ and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰ and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

¹¹ What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.