

Churchwardens' Chat

We welcome Fr Chris Davidson as our preacher this morning.

Evensong tonight at 5pm: Hymns NEH 54, 50 (omit verses 3 and 5), Psalm 96,
Readings: 1 Samuel 3: 1-20, Ephesians 4: 1-16

Midweek services:

Monday to Fridays: Morning Prayer at 10am
Midweek Eucharist on Wednesdays at 10.30am.

Next Sunday 19 January – The Conversion of St Paul

8am Said Communion (BCP)
10.30am Sung Eucharist
5pm Evensong

Offertory: we are re-instating the practice of taking the bread and the wine up to the chancel steps during the Offertory Hymn (immediately after the Peace). If you would like to do this please tell Jim or Brian.

Confirmation preparation: if you would like to be confirmed, or are pondering it, please talk to Fr Andrew. The Confirmation service will be on Sunday 25 May at 10.30am. Preparation sessions will take place in the weeks preceding this.

Christian Meditation and Contemplation meets every Tuesday between 10.30 and 11.30am: The world calls us to be busy. God calls us to be. . .
Come and be still. We meet to experience the presence of God, His will and His love through silence, reflection and being fully open and present to the prompting of the Spirit within each moment.

Palm crosses: Please bring in your crosses to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Time for a New Years resolution? Join the C of E Parish Giving Scheme!

Find out more at the welcome desk or <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/>
The life of the Abbey depends on congregational giving. Thank you.

Quiet Day at Walsingham Saturday 8 Feb 2025: There is more information about this at the welcome desk. Do sign up if you are interested.

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Wymondham Abbey ❖ Sunday 19 January 2025

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome to the Abbey, especially if you are newly with us or visiting. Use this sheet together with the main Eucharist booklet for the hymns and readings. Today we are using the New Hymns and Worship Songs.

Hymns: NHWS 351, Psalm 36, 368, 395 (sing English verse 3 times), 210

*Note to **families with young children:** the children will be invited during the Vicar's welcome to go into St Benedict's for Sunday Club. They will then come back into church at the Peace. The children are then welcome to be in the play area or with you in the main seating, as you prefer.*

*After the bell rings, the servers, choir and clergy enter and we all stand to sing **Hymn 351.***

We begin on page 3.

*Page 6: we sing the **Gloria** from the Mass of the Holy Angels by Gerard Chiusano.*

*Page 7: **First Reading** – Isaiah 62: 1-5*

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.

The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.

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For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*We remain seated for **Psalm 36 verses 5–10**. We say the response.*

R With you, O God, is the well of life.

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens and your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness stands like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you, Lord, shall save both man and beast.

R With you, O God, is the well of life.

How precious is your loving mercy, O God! All mortal flesh shall take refuge under the shadow of your wings. They shall be satisfied with the abundance of your house; they shall drink from the river of your delights.

R With you, O God, is the well of life.

For with you is the well of life and in your light shall we see light. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you and your righteousness to those who are true of heart.

R With you, O God, is the well of life.

We stand to say the Gloria together

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

*Page 7: we remain standing for the **Gospel Reading** – John 2: 1–11*

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, ‘They have no wine.’

And Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.’ His mother said to the servants, ‘Do whatever he tells you.’

Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, ‘Fill the jars with water.’ And they filled them up to the brim.

He said to them, ‘Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.’ So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, ‘Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.’

Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

*Page 7: **Sermon***

*Page 9: **Prayers of Intercession**, during which we pray especially for:*

Rainie Smith who is to be baptised on Saturday 25 January at 3pm.
The sick and housebound: Zorina Bell, Di Capocci, Vivienne Clifford-Jackson, Geoffrey Dorling, David & Marion O’Connor, Julia Parker, Elizabeth & Roy Pulsford, Jennie Rackham.
Years’ Mind: Josephine Gray, Sheldon Gray, Terence Mobbs

*Page 9: after **The Peace**, we sing **Hymn 368**.*

*The **Eucharistic Prayer**, during which the bread and wine are consecrated, begins on page 10.*

The choir sing the ‘Holy, Holy’ (p11) and ‘Lamb of God’ (p13) from the Missa Brevis in F by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina.

*Page 13: during the distribution of **Communion** the choir sing ‘Before the song was done’ by Sarah Quartel then we all sing **Hymn 395** (sing the verse three times in English).*

*After the **Blessing** (p15) and dismissal we sing **Hymn 210**.*

Organ Voluntary: Recessional on ‘Shine, Jesus, shine’ – David Blackwell

Please join us for refreshments after the service.

Pastoral visits

If you know anyone who might welcome a pastoral visit please let Fr Andrew know: vicar@wymondhamabbey.org.uk, 07543 593903
Please note that Fr Andrew’s usual day off is a Monday.