

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS
CHRISTCHURCH



Artist: Sharyn Ley—2005

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
26 January 2025

From the Vicar...

Dear friends,

At our recent Vestry meeting I compiled some of the numbers for our Christmas services. I thought it would be encouraging to share those with you.

Nine Lessons - 140
Crib Service – 50
Christmas Eve – 125
Christmas Day – 70

Though numbers are not the most important thing to focus on as a church community it is encouraging to see the overall trend is positive. We have also had good attendances during the month of January. It does reveal that January is a time when not everyone goes away and we often have a lot of visitors. As we move into the new year, I encourage us all to take heart and continue to reach out and welcome newcomers in our midst. This Sunday we have the baptism of Callum Robertson at the 10am service. As we celebrate that wonderful occasion, please keep Callum in your prayers. This Sunday we also begin to read the Gospel according to Luke. In this third year of the Sunday Scripture cycle (Year C), during the Ordinary Sundays of this year, it is Luke's story about Christ that we will be following.

This Sunday's Gospel passage is in two distinct parts. It begins with the opening paragraph of Luke's account. It is addressed to a friend, Theophilus (meaning, 'beloved of God'). Luke implies that Theophilus has already been instructed orally in the message of Jesus, but Luke will now present him with an accurate and orderly account of Jesus' life and teaching.

Luke clearly acknowledges that he himself never saw Jesus. His Gospel was written at least 50 years after Jesus' death and resurrection. Yet he wants to assure his friend that what he writes is accurate and is based on the experiences of people who did know Jesus personally.

At the same time, it is important to remember that Luke, like the other evangelists who have differing versions of the same events, is not writing a biography. His first purpose—as we see in the second part of today's passage—is to tell us the meaning of Jesus' life, death and resurrection for our personal lives, and why we should accept and follow Jesus as our King and Lord.

God Bless,



Father Jordan

Copies of the music for the mass setting and hymns are available from the Sides People.

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Celebrant 8.00 am:	Fr Jordan Greatbatch		
Celebrant 10.00 am:	Fr Jordan Greatbatch	Organ:	Paul Ellis
		Cantor:	Richard Peters
Sidespeople:	Ann Jinman, Gail Chiswell		
Organ:	Prelude, Fugue and Variation	Cesar Franck	
Mass Setting:	A New People's Mass	Dom Gregory Murray	
Introit Hymn:	408		

Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Greeting:

Ki te ingoa o te ✠ Matua, me te Tamaiti, me te Wairua Tapu. **Āmine.**
(In the name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.)

The Lord be with you. **The Lord bless you.**

The Mass of the day is introduced and the people are invited to call to mind their sins.

**Merciful God,
we have sinned in what we have thought and said,
in the wrong we have done,
and in the good we have not done.
We have sinned in ignorance:
we have sinned in weakness:
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry.
We repent and turn to you.
Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake,
and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**

(Sung)

**Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.**

Through the cross of Christ, ✠ God have mercy on you, pardon you, and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

(Sung)

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Let us pray (*silence*)

Ever-living God, guide all we do by your loving will, so that in the name of your beloved Son our lives may be rich in good works, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: (*sit*)

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Margaret Maclagan

All the people gathered together in the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation .

They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the food and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm:

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R. Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord, he is the king of glory.

The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the instruction of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes. **R.**

Lift up your heads, your gates, lift yourselves up, you everlasting doors, that the king of glory may come in. Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord, the Lord of hosts who is the king of glory. **R.**

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body.

And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ, and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the Church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

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Gospel Acclamation: *(stand)*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you

The Lord bless you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Praise and Glory to God

Gospel:

Luke 4: 14-21

Deacon Robert Jamieson

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Praise to Christ the Word.**

Sermon: Fr Jordan Greatbatch



BAPTISM of

Callum Robertson

(See the separate Baptism Service Sheet)

Intercessions: Johann Williams

Rest ✕ eternal grant unto them, O Lord:
And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory. **Amen.**

**Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with you,
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

At the Peace all may exchange a non physical greeting with those near them.

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ.

By one spirit we were baptised into one body.

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace:

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

Offertory: Ann Jinman, Sue Shannons

The Preparation of the Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share
in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become our spiritual drink. **Blessed be God for ever.**

O Christ the same through
 all our story's pages,
 Our loves and hopes,
 our failures and our fears;
 Eternal Lord, the King of all the ages,
 Unchanging still, amid the passing years:
 O living Word, the source of all creation,
 Who spread the skies,
 and set the stars ablaze,
 O Christ the same, who wrought man's
 whole salvation,
 We bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

O Christ the same,
 the friend of sinners, sharing
 Our inmost thoughts,
 the secrets none can hide,
 Still as of old upon your body bearing
 The marks of love, in triumph glorified:
 O Son of Man,
 who stooped for us from heaven,
 O Prince of life, in all your saving power,
 O Christ the same,
 to whom our hearts are given,
 We bring our thanks for this
 the present hour.

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping
 Our lives and loves, our days and years remain,
 Our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping,
 Our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain:
 O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows,
 For all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee,
 O Christ the same, for all our brief tomorrows,
 We bring our thanks for all that is to be.

Pray, sisters and brothers,
 that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty One.

**May the Lord receive the sacrifice at your hands,
 for the praise and glory of his name,
 for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

Loving God, before the world began you called us. Make holy all we offer you this day,
 and strengthen us in that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.
 Lift up your hearts.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**God's Spirit is with us.
 We lift them to the Lord.
 It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting
 God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only
 Son.

You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have
 created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image; male and
 female you created us.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit.

Through the waters of baptism, in which we die to sin and rise to new life, you have made us members of Christ, the children of God, and inheritors of the kingdom of heaven.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing.....

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father. Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

On the night before he died, your Son Jesus Christ took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we show forth;
your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await.
Amen! Come, Lord Jesus.**

Therefore, loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ, our great high priest.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,
here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.**

As Christ teaches us we pray:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and for ever.
Amen.

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki,
ka ĭnoi tatou:

**E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tau e pai ai,
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āiane
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te korōria,
Āke ake ake. Āmine**

Eucharistic Ministers: Jenny Daniels, Jane Evans

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

(Sung)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are we who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

For Communion, leave your seat by the side aisle and come down the central aisle. You are encouraged to use the hand sanitizer.

Communion Carol: This Endris night— English Carol 15th century

Communion Hymn: 57

The race that long in darkness pined
Have seen a glorious light;
The people dwell in day, who dwelt
In death's surrounding night.

To hail thy rise, thou better Sun,
The gathering nations come,
Joyous as when the reapers bear
The harvest-treasures home.

To us a Child of hope is born,
To us a Son is given;
Him shall the tribes of earth obey,
Him all the hosts of heaven.

His name shall be the Prince of Peace,
For evermore adored;
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
The great and mighty Lord.

His power increasing still shall spread;
His reign no end shall know:
Justice shall guard his throne above,
And peace abound below.

Let us pray (*silence*).

Gracious God, our hands have taken holy things; our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son. May we who have eaten at this holy table be strengthened for service in your world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing:

The Lord be with you. **The Lord bless you.**

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord and may the blessing of God almighty, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.
Amen.

The Mass is ended. Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Bethlehem, of noblest cities
 None can once with thee compare;
 Thou alone the Lord from heaven
 Didst for us incarnate bear.

By its lambent beauty guided
 See the eastern kings appear;
 See them bend, their gifts to offer,
 Gifts of incense, gold and myrrh.

Fairer than the sun at morning
 Was the star that told his birth;
 To the lands their God announcing,
 Seen in fleshly form on earth.

Solemn things of mystic meaning:
 Incense doth the God disclose,
 Gold a royal child proclaimeth,
 Myrrh a future tomb foreshows.

Holy Jesu, in thy brightness
 To the Gentile world displayed,
 With the Father and the Spirit
 Endless praise to thee be paid. Amen.

Organ Voluntary:

Chorale No. 1 in a minor (1890)

Cesar Franck

(This major work, Franck's last, is 11 minutes in duration. Feel free to leave before the end if you need to, you will not cause offence).

Please pray for...

The Sick:

Rev Heather Flavell, Donna Curtis, John Patterson, Pamela Hindin-Whitewood,
 Charles Barltrop, Jamie McDermott, Terry & Betsy McKay.

Claire & John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen, Suzanne Keys,
 Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Lesta Smithson, John Bertken, Peter Easterbrook, Anne Fenton,
 David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Ongloon Yee, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson.

Anniversaries:

(Sun) Vi Holmes (Mon) Judy Matthews
 (Wed) Laurence Rickard, John Oakley, Joy Green
 (Fri) Peter McKaskell (Sat) Kathleen Scott

NOTICES

THIS WEEK

Meditation Group—Wednesday 12.00 noon in the church. Contact: Therese Aitchison 0212516282.

Pray the Rosary—Thursday 12.00 noon.

Bible Study—Thursday 6.00 pm, fortnightly. Speak to Fr Jordan if interested.

Inasmuch Basket—please continue to support the work of the City Mission.

Packed school lunch food for children would be appreciated, along with personal hygiene products for the Outreach.

Parish Lunch—Sunday 2 February 12.00 noon, Pegasus Arms. RSVP by Wednesday 29 January. Contact: Ros Calvert 0272428282



Health & Safety Regulations: In an emergency, use the closest exit and assemble in the drop-off zone. In an earthquake, drop down and shelter behind or under a pew, covering your head. Follow instructions.

NEXT WEEK**Candlemas**

2 February 2025

8:00 am Mass	Celebrant: Fr Jordan Greatbatch	Server: Eyob Habte
10.00 am Mass	Celebrant: Fr Jordan Greatbatch	
	Preacher: Fr Jordan Greatbatch	
Servers:	SD: Carol Fraser	MC: Sung Bae
	Th: Michael Graveston	Cr: Jack Barrie
	Ac: Maria Light, Robert Calvert	
First Reading:	Rachel Watson	Malachi 3:1-4
Second Reading:	Marla Hughes	Hebrews 2:14-18
Gospel:	Deacon Robert Jamieson	Luke 2:22-40
Eucharist Ministers:	Carol Fraser, Rachel Watson	
Sides people:	Tim Cranston, Vince Moreton	
Intercessions:	Margaret Maclagan	
Offertory:	Adrienne Curtis, Dorothy Burrows	
Morning Tea:	Joy Coulter, Pat Pilkington	
Sacristan:	Jenny Daniels	
Sacristy:	-	
Livestream:	Kathleen Campbell	
Flowers:	Sue Shannons	
Evensong Readers:	Joshua Wilson Black, Barbara Moreton	
Evensong Server:	Joshua Wilson Black	

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The Anglican Parish of St Michael and All Angels Christchurch

This Sunday

8.00 am
10.00 am

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—26 January 2025

Baptism of Callum Robertson

Low Mass

High Mass

Monday

12.35 am

John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople

Mass

Tuesday

8.30 am
12.35 am

Thomas Aquinas, Teacher of the Faith

Morning Prayer

Mass

Wednesday

8.30 am
12.00 am
12.35 am

Feria

Morning Prayer

Meditation

Mass

Thursday

8.30 am
12.35 am

King Charles I of England

Morning Prayer

Mass

Friday

8.30 am
12.35 am
2.00 pm

Feria

Morning Prayer

Mass

School Service

Saturday

Brigid of Ireland, Abbess

Next Sunday

8.00 am
10.00 am
7.00 pm

Candlemas— 2 February 2025

Low Mass

High Mass

Festal Evensong and Benediction

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Sunday

10.00 am Solemn Mass