

# The Second Sunday after Epiphany

## Sunday 14 January 2024



Southwell  
Minster  
THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF  
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

### 11.15am Sung Eucharist

**Organ Prelude:** *Les Mages* (from *La Nativité du Seigneur*), Olivier Messiaen (1908-92)

**Communion Setting:** *Mass for five voices*, William Byrd (c. 1539-1623)

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Bethlehem, of noblest cities

(NEH 48)

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER, PRAYER OF PREPARATION and KYRIE ELEISON

#### COLLECT FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who dost govern all things in heaven and earth;  
Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people,  
and grant us thy peace all the days of our life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

#### FIRST READING *read by Maggie Peel*

Revelation 5: 1-10

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.'

Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who

was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song:

‘You are worthy to take the scroll  
and to open its seals,  
for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God  
saints from every tribe and language and people and nation;  
you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God,  
and they will reign on earth.’

GRADUAL *sung by the choir*

Tribus miraculis ornatum diem  
sanctum colimus: hodie stella  
Magos duxit ad praesepe:  
hodie vinum ex aqua factum est  
ad nuptias; hodie in Jordane a  
Joanne Christus baptizari voluit,  
ut salvaret nos, alleluia.

*We celebrate a day sanctified by  
three miracles: today a star led the  
Wise Men to the manger; today  
water was changed into wine at the  
marriage feast; today Christ chose  
to be baptised in the Jordan by John  
for our salvation. Alleluia.*

*Words: Magnificat antiphon at Second Vespers  
on the feast of the Epiphany*

*Luca Marenzio (c. 1553-99)*

GOSPEL READING

John 1: 43–end

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, ‘Follow me.’ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, ‘We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.’ Nathanael said to him, ‘Can anything good come out of Nazareth?’ Philip said to him, ‘Come and see.’ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, ‘Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!’ Nathanael asked him, ‘Where did you come to know me?’ Jesus answered, ‘I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.’ Nathanael replied, ‘Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!’ Jesus answered, ‘Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.’ And he said to him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.’

## THE NICENE CREED

SERMON *given by the Dean*

OFFERTORY HYMN *during which the table is prepared for Communion and a collection for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral is taken*

Hail, to the Lord's Anointed!

(NEH 55)

INTERCESSION, CONFESSION

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS *and* PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

GIVING OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION MOTET *sung by the choir during the distribution of Communion*

O salutaris hostia  
quae caeli pandis ostium,  
bella premunt hostilia:  
da robur, fer auxilium.

*O saving Victim! opening wide  
The gate of heaven to man below,  
Our foes press hard on every side,  
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.*

*Words: from VERBUM SUPERNUM PRODIENS*

*St Thomas Aquinas (1225-74)*

*trans. John Mason Neale (1818-66), Edward Caswall (1814-78) et al.*

*Music: Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-85)*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

## FINAL HYMN

O Jesus, I have promised

(NEH 420)

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

## THE BLESSING

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Fantaisie* (from *L'Orgue mystique VII*)

Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)

The next of our monthly Book of Common Prayer Sung Eucharists will take place on **Sunday 11 February** at 11.15am (sung by a visiting choir, Caelestis).

**This afternoon** there will be two special services here in the Minster:

**3.30pm Epiphanytide Procession** (in place of Evensong)

**5.00pm Creation Service** in the Chapter House (with Taizé music)

*Available today is **Minster News**, our monthly printed noticesheet for January, which attempts to provide a summary of this month's events and other information – please take a copy.*

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