

# St. Thomas the Apostle & Martyr, Ipswich

16th January 2022—2nd Sunday of Epiphany

**HYMNS: 242, 90, 464, 10, 565**

## Collect:

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## A reading from the Book of 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.

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.**

## Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to 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.

**This is the gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Post-Communion Prayer:

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Notices:

**Next Sunday:** Next week's preacher is the Revd Thomas Sharp. It is also Emlee's baptism; please join us as we welcome her into the family of God.

**Funding Appeal:** It's not too late to respond to our appeal to eliminate our predicted financial deficit for 2021. Donations can be accepted up to the end of January. For ways to do this please refer to the letter we sent in December or contact Lucy Drake (details on this page).

**Alpha Course:** Do you have a friend who you think might enjoy alpha? Please invite them.

**Bible Basics:** Bible study sessions run every Thursday at 4pm. Please speak to Cat if you have any questions!

## Coming Up This Week:

### Sunday 16th January (Epiphany 2)

**10am:** Eucharist with Facebook livestream

### Monday 17th January

**11.30-1.30:** Church open for prayer

### Tuesday 18th January

**7.30pm:** Zoom Meditation Group. Contact Lucy for details: [lucydrake22@gmail.com](mailto:lucydrake22@gmail.com)

### Wednesday 19th January

**10am:** Eucharist

### Thursday 20th January

**11.30-1.30:** Church open for prayer

**4pm:** Bible Basics

### Sunday 23rd January (Epiphany 3)

**10am:** Eucharist with baptism and Facebook livestream

## Birthdays This Week:

- ★ Simon Pearson (16th)
- ★ Christine Perfect (20th)
- ★ Justin Harrison (22nd)

*Many happy returns from all at St. Thomas!*

## Please Pray For:

Rosemary, Eric, Jenny, Kathy, Andrew, Peggy, Margaret, Natacha, Samantha, Theresa, Gloria, Angela, Helen, Pat, Daniel, Ezra, Eddie, Naomi, Andrew C., Betty, Muriel M.

**Those who have recently died, and their families mourning their loss:** Bartha Moyes



## Church Website:

<https://stthomasipswich.org.uk/>

**Sunday Worship & other Worship resources on the Church Facebook page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/stthomasipswich/>

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