

Baptism Of Christ **10th January, 2010**

TODAY

6.30p.m. **Evensong** at St Alban's

THIS WEEK

Mon 11.00a.m. Lay Pastors Meeting at the Vicarage

5.00p.m. Evening Prayer at St Alban's

Tue 7.30p.m. Covenant Committee meets at Swaythling Baptist Church

Wed 9.00a.m. Morning Prayer at St Mary's

9.30a.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's

11.00a.m. Holy Communion at Grange Court. All welcome

Thu 7.30p.m. **JACK AND THE BEANSTALK** - is being performed by Westfield Productions at The Point, Eastleigh. Come and support our Scout Leader who is playing the Dame! Tickets cost £7. Transport can be arranged. Contact Jenny Hales on 023 8055 6171.

Fri 9.00a.m. Morning Prayer at St Alban's today

9.30a.m. Holy Communion at St Alban's followed by refreshments in

- the Community Room
- 10.15a.m. Friday Coffee Pot and Credit Union at St Alban's. All welcome
- 6.00p.m. Staff Planning meeting at the Vicarage.
- 8.00p.m. Choir practice at the Vicarage - all welcome as we prepare music for the next month.
- Sat 3.00p.m. Licensing of Revd Stephen Holmes as Priest-in-Charge of North Stoneham Parish, at St Michaels, Bassett Avenue (preceded by Prayer for the Parish at All Saints', Winchester Road at 2.00p.m. and a Pilgrimage Walk to St Michael's). All welcome.

NEXT SUNDAY

Epiphany 2

READINGS for next week : Isaiah 62:1-5, Ps. 36:5-10, I Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11

- 8.00a.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 9.30a.m. Choir Practice at St Mary's
- 10.00a.m. **Sung Eucharist** at St Alban's
- 10.30a.m. **Family Service** at St Mary's.
- 6.30p.m. Evensong at St Alban's

NOTES AND NEWS

LAY PASTORS - Our next meeting is on Monday, 11th January, 11.00 at the Vicarage. *If anyone else* is interested in joining our excellent team of Lay Pastors, please have a word with Gary or one of the Lay Pastors.

CANDLEMAS SERVICE - There will be a special Eucharist for Candlemas, sung by the Keble Choir, directed by Gary, at St Alban's on Saturday, January 30th, at 6.00p.m., with Palestrina's Missa Papae Marcelli. Later on, there will be Compline at St Mary's at 9.00p.m. All welcome to both services.

SWINE FLU PRECAUTIONS - We encourage use of the alcoholic rub provided as you enter the Church, and at any later point you wish to use it. Please speak to one of the Clergy if you have any concerns.

E-MAIL PEW SHEET - Would you like to receive this Pew Sheet by e-mail each week? If so, send a message to Julie in the Office at

Swaythling.Parish@tiscali.co.uk and she will send you a pdf copy.

The Parish Website is: www.swaythlingparish.org.uk

The Vicar is: The Revd Canon Gary Philbrick - 023 8055 4231

SOME ENGAGEMENTS FROM THE VICAR'S DIARY THIS WEEK.

In addition to the events listed above, please pray for:

Monday morning, meeting with the Assistant Area Dean, and evening, Royal School of Church Music Meeting..

Tuesday, Council of Faiths Farewell Dinner for our Roman Catholic Representative.

Wednesday, recording Daily Thoughts for Radio Solent at lunchtime, followed by a meeting at Swaythling School.

Thursday, Continuing Ministerial Development Training Day.

Friday lunchtime, Ministers' Meeting with Covenant colleagues.

READINGS FOR TODAY
- and for you to use during the Week

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COLLECT:

Heavenly Father
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus
as your Son:
may we recognize him as our
Lord
and know ourselves to be your
beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our
Saviour. **AMEN.**

**A Reading from the Book of the
Prophet Isaiah**

Isaiah 43.1-7

1 Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. 2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. 3 For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. 4 Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. 5 Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; 6 I will say to the north, 'Give them up,' and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— 7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

At the end, the Reader says:

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

PSALM 29

1. Ascribe to the | Lord, you gods,
Ascribe to the Lord glo- | ry and strength.
2. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due | to his name.
Worship the Lord in the beau- | ty of holiness.
3. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of | glory
thunders;
The Lord is upon the | mighty waters.
4. The voice of the Lord is a | powerful voice.
The voice of the Lord is a | voice of splendour.
5. The Lord sits enthroned a | bove the flood;
The Lord sits enthroned as king for | evermore.
6. The Lord shall give strength | to his people;
The Lord shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 8.14-17

14 When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. 15 The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit 16 (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). 17 Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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THE GOSPEL READING

Please stand and turn to face the Gospel Reader

An acclamation heralds the Gospel, to which all reply:

Alleluia, alleluia.

When the Gospel is announced, the Reader says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *Luke*

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 3.15-17,21-22

(In the wilderness John proclaimed a baptism of repentance.) 15 As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, 16 John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' 21 Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, 22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

At the end, the Reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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Eucharistic Prayer: B

SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me:
Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me,

Spirit of the Living God,
fall afresh on me.

POST COMMUNION:

The Baptism of Christ

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed
yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

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O BREATH OF LIFE

1. O breath of Life, come sweeping through us,
Revive your Church with life and power;
O breath of Life, come cleanse, renew us,
And fit your Church to meet this hour.
2. O Breath of Love, come breathe within us,
Renewing thought and will and heart;
Come, love of Christ, afresh to win us,
Revive your Church in every part!
3. O Wind of God, come bend us, break us,
Till humbly we confess our need;
Then, in your tenderness remake us,
Revive, restore - for this we plead.
4. Revive us, Lord; is zeal abating
While harvest fields are vast and white?
Revive us, Lord, the world is waiting -
Equip thy Church to spread the light.