

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 27th January 2019 4th Sunday of Epiphany
(3rd Sunday after Epiphany) **10.00 am Holy Communion**

Readings:

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
Luke 4:14-21

OT page 449
NT page 170
NT page 58



For your
prayer time ~
Thought for
reflection found
in our readings
this week.

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Immanuel Prays!

Prayer underpins all that we do in faith and we believe it is important to gather regularly to pray and encourage one another in our church life and journey.

The next meetings will be in the Chapel or after morning
Worship on:

Sunday 20th January, Monday 21st January
Sunday 27th January,

Meetings are at 7:30pm **except** for those on Sundays when we
gather at 11:30am after the Service.

All are welcome! You don't have to pray out loud at the meeting
if you are not comfortable with doing that - God can hear silent
prayer! The meeting usually lasts about 45 minutes.

If you are unable to attend but would like us to pray for you or
someone you know, please contact either Lorraine Thomas or
Marion: Gray.

TODAY

Sunday 20th January 2019 3rd Sunday of Epiphany
(2nd Sunday after Epiphany) **10.00 am Holy Communion**

President & Preacher: Revd Sr. Elizabeth Shearcroft, C.A.

Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5 OT page 703
1 Corinthians 12:1-11 NT page 170
John 2:1-11 NT page 89

Prayer Pointers

- Give thanks for the family of God at Immanuel & St. Andrew and pray for God's continuing guidance for our ministry through the Parish Renewal Pilot as we seek to **know Jesus, and make him known.** Give thanks for all who are supporting us in our explorations and cherish the freedom to worship openly seeking to walk more closely with God.
- As Christmastide continues through Epiphany, pray for all who are in need ~ the homeless, the sick, the lonely, victims of disasters and crime.
- Give thanks for the opportunity we had to provide a meal at the St. Luke's night shelter last Saturday and for those who took part.
- Pray that you will know how God desires you show His love to family, friends, neighbours and strangers.
- There are no Baptisms in January but please pray for those preparing for February and May.
- Pray for Revd Gareth Davies as he prepares to Preach and Preside on Sunday 27th January, 2019 to cover Elizabeth's post Christmas break.
- Pray for those that God is raising to be Treasurer and Churchwardens at Immanuel.

Diary Dates

Monday 21st January ~ Immanuel Prays ~ 7.30 pm in the chapel.

Thursday 24th January ~ **CAIAS** ~ our Coffee at Immanuel and St. Andrew group for those over 60 meets in our Common Room at 10.30 am ~ theme ~ Knit & Natter

Monday 21st ~

Sunday 27th January ~ Elizabeth is on her post Christmas break and not available to the parish.

Sunday 27th January ~ We welcome Revd Gareth Davies as our visiting priest this weekend.

Monday 28th January ~ Pupil, Parent & Community committee meets at school ~ 09.00 am

Junior Church

We are glad that our Junior church is open again on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, during term time, whenever possible.

We are liaising with the diocese to organise the training and support they have offered those, now DBS checked, ready to assist and lead our groups. Gloria and Rebecca would be delighted to hear from you if you think you can join their team.

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A huge Thank you ~ to Carolle and Catherine for organising the provision of our Fair Trade stall for many years.

As a 'Fair Trade' church we encourage you to purchase fairly traded goods whenever you can.

Why not apply for the Traidcraft Catalogue for gift ideas and purchases. <https://www.traidcraftshop.co.uk>

Our monthly stall ceased to trade at the end of 2018 however Catherine will run a couple of sessions to sell off the remaining stock.

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Yet again God is blessing us as He opens our eyes to His Will and raises up the team to share the Office.

Please talk with Caroline about what is involved, pray and respond.

Further Prayer request

The church cannot function successfully without some Officers in place ~ the first essential one is that of Treasurer but that is closely followed by Churchwardens. These are legal requirements and at Immanuel we have failed to raise Churchwardens since our succession planning was thwarted by the death of some dearly loved and committed church members. We have been blessed by a team of 'deputy' wardens to ensure that Sunday by Sunday we can function and worship BUT we seriously need to appoint two wardens and should aim to do this at our APCM in April.

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