

Glory be to God in heaven,
Peace to those who love him well;
On the earth let all his people
Speak his grace, his wonders tell:
Lord, we praise you for your glory,
Mighty Father, heaven's king;
Hear our joyful adoration
And accept the thanks we bring.

Only Son of God the Father, Lamb who takes our sin away, Now with him in triumph seated For your mercy, Lord, we pray: Jesus Christ, most high and holy, Saviour, you are God alone In the glory of the Father With the Spirit: Three in One!

#### **TODAY**

We celebrate this Feast with the added joy of the Confirmation of **Peter Wrathall**. Please pray for him on this great day. We also bless Chalk and distribute it so that we can use it to mark the doorways of our homes with the traditional Epiphany Blessing at the beginning of 2018. This precedes the Sign of Peace.

6.00pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction

#### **EPIPHANY GIFTS**

When you visit the Crib today, you will find a selection of envelopes, each of which will specify the cost of one of our altar supplies *e.g.* candles, incense, charcoal, wine & wafers. You are invited to support our worship during the year by making a gift in the spirit of the Magi and in thanks for the year past and the year to come. Please place your gift in one of the envelopes and place it in the collection plate at the Offertory. You will be able to do this for the next few Sundays. If you are a tax payer, you may Gift Aid the amount at no extra cost to yourself but at increased benefit to our church. Fill in one of the usual yellow envelopes and put it into the larger Epiphany Gift envelope with the appropriate amount of money. Cheques should be made out to Long Eaton PCC. Thank you.



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# The Parish Church of St Laurence, Long Eaton

# 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



#### 9.30am Parish Mass & Confirmation

Green Hymn Book Entrance Hymn – 47 Gloria – see words opposite Offertory Hymn – 55 Communion Hymn – 52 Final Hymn – 48

#### Collect

Father, you revealed your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star.

Lead us to your glory in heaven by the light of faith.

First Reading Isaiah 60: 1-6

## Response to the Psalm

All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

# **Second Reading**

Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage.

## Gospel

Matthew 2: 1-12

#### Prayer over the Gifts

Lord, accept the offerings of your Church, not gold, frankincense and myrrh, but the sacrifice and food they symbolise: Jesus Christ, who is Lord for ever and ever.



#### **Communion Antiphon**

We have seen his star in the east and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Father guide us with your light.

Help us to recognise Christ in the eucharist and welcome him with love, for he is Lord for ever and ever.

## SERVICES THIS WEEK & NEXT SUNDAY

# Monday 8th January THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7.00pm Mass followed by PCC Meeting

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January

10.00am Mass

Friday 12th January St Aelred of Rievaulx

12 noon Mass

Sunday 14th January 2nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9.30am Parish Mass

11.30am Holy Baptism Rowan Tucker