

**Collect.**

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace and in all our weakness sustain us with you mighty power; We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God now and forever. Amen

**A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.**

Isaiah 9.1–4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

**Psalm 27: ‘The Lord is my light and my help.’****A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.**

1 Corinthians 1.10–18

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers, and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, ‘I belong to Paul,’ or ‘I belong to Apollos,’ or ‘I belong to Cephas,’ or ‘I belong to Christ.’ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptised in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptised none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were Baptised in my name. I did baptise also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I Baptised anyone else. For Christ did not send me to baptise but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

**Hear the gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.**

Matthew 4.12–23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ‘Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.’ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.’ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James, son of Zebedee, and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. 23 Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.



The brothers, James and John, who were the partners of Simon and Andrew, also left their ship to follow Jesus.

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**Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty Father, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped and obeyed to the ends of the earth for his is alive, and reigns now and for ever.

### HYMN NUMBERS:

494 - King of Glory King of peace.  
538 - O Jesus I have promised.  
467 - How sweet the name of Jesus  
sounds.  
581 - Take my life and let it be.  
376 - And can it be.

### NOTICES.....

#### REGULAR EVENTS:

##### BIBLE STUDY:

MONDAYS – 2.00pm at St. Anne's church

##### QUIET PRAYER "PEACE ADVENTURE":

SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, at  
Wind Demons, West Brack Drive from 2pm-  
4pm  
& 7pm to 8pm

HEAR HERE CLINIC: 11-12noon

FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

ALL UNLESS OTHERWISE UPDATED

#### Services this Week

All services at St. Anne's unless otherwise stated

TUESDAY 7.00pm – Said Eucharist

WEDNESDAY 10.00am Said Eucharist  
*Midweek services are held in the side chapel*

#### Services Next Sunday

(Last Sunday in the month 8.00am BCP)

1<sup>st</sup> February 2026 – Feast of the presentation

##### Candlemas

8.00am Said Eucharist St. Anne's

9.00am Sung Eucharist Earnley

10.15am Sung Eucharist St. Anne's

Readings:

Malachi 3:1-5

Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2: 22-40

*Please send any notices for Pews News to*

*Barbara Blundell no later than*

*WEDNESDAY EVENING.*

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We welcome all visitors to our churches.

All communicant members of Christ's church are warmly invited to receive the Sacraments. If you do not receive the sacraments then please come forward for God's Blessing.  
(All services are at St. Anne's unless indicated)

**25<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

### Epiphany 3

Before the service and after the second bell, talk to God through quiet prayer and silent devotion, bringing to the Lord those events of your past week, and after the service, then talk to your friends.

If you are a visitor to our church, making a donation in the collection, and you are a taxpayer, the PCC would be very grateful if you could put your donation in one of the envelopes available at the end of the pews, and sign the Gift Aid Declaration on the envelope. In this way, the Church can claim a further 25p for every £1 you give. Thank you.  
**PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "E.W.P.C."**

### Services today

(Last Sunday in the month 8.00am BCP)

8.00am Said Eucharist St. Anne's

9.00am Sung Eucharist Earnley

10.15am Sung Eucharist St. Anne's

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of the month – Healing & Anointing

### Intercessions

The sick and those who have asked of our prayers:

Fr. John, Judy Williams, Nick Carter, Lorraine Hall, Len Holliday, Jean Church, Florence Sumakoloyl, and members of our congregation who are unwell today.

From our families and friends, we remember

Baby Phoebe, Gerry Davies, Millie Polhill, Sally, Sherline Smith, Matthew Finch, Suzy Tyne, Sue Knight, Ann & Jeff Parks, baby Logan, Pat & John Cox, Jules Pettitt, Dorothy Dixon, Lizi Benjamin. Also, all those in our local nursing homes & rest homes, the housebound, those who care for them, and all who have been recently bereaved

The Recently Departed

Gary James Fisher, Isabel Farley

Those whose years mind falls at this time

Catherine Hodges, Dorothy Jones, Arthur Terry, Janice Ditcham, Constance Homer, Helen Gething, Cyril Buckingham, Anne Ruinet,