

**For your prayers this Week
(from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer)**

For the congregations of Holy Trinity, Elgin; Burghead Mission; St. Margaret, Lossiemouth: Christopher Ketley, Jenny Sclater.

For Mark, our Bishop.

For peace in places of war and strife.

For all church leaders.

For our link Diocese of Quebec.

For the people of Inverness.

For those walking in darkness.

Notice Board

Isla Deveron Group AGM

The AGM will take place on Sunday 14th January at Holy Trinity Keith after the Holy Communion Service which will begin at 10:30am.

If you have written reports for the AGM please forward them to Rev'd Michael. Please also pray and consider who should service in the forthcoming year as Lay Reps and Vestry Members. We also need a new Vestry Secretary.

Gordon Chapel - Christingle at Epiphany

An Ecumenical Christingle Celebration will be held at 3pm on Sunday 7th January 2018

Thank you to everybody who sent cards, and Christmas greeting to

Rev'd Michael & Rebecca

Large copies of pew sheet available at back of church.

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Welcome to the Scottish Episcopal Church, and to our service, whether as a regular worshipper or a visitor.

This parish welcomes **everyone** to share in its worship. Please feel free to come up to the altar if you would like to receive Communion or a blessing.

**Please join the congregation for refreshments
after this service**

31st December 2017 – Christmas 1

Hymns

Christ Church Huntly	33	526	2		564

Collect of the Day

O God, you make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ: grant that, as we joyfully receive him as our Saviour, so we may with confidence behold him as he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

Today's Readings

Isaiah 61.10-62.3, Galatians, 4.4-7 Luke 2.22-40

Prayer after Communion

Source of truth and joy, may we who have received the gift of divine life always follow the way of your Son. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Blessing

Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one all things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Psalm 148

1 Alleluia. Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights.

**2 Praise him, all you his angels;
praise him, all his host.**

3 Praise him, sun and moon;
praise him, all you stars of light.

**4 Praise him, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.**

5 Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for he commanded and they were created.

**6 He made them fast for ever and ever;
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**

7 Praise the Lord from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps;

**8 Fire and hail, snow and mist,
tempestuous wind, fulfilling his word;**

9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

**10 Wild beasts and all cattle, •
creeping things and birds on the wing;**

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;

**12 Young men and women, old and young together;
let them praise the name of the Lord.**

13 For his name only is exalted,
his splendour above earth and heaven.

**14 He has raised up the horn of his people
and praise for all his faithful servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Alleluia.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as
it was in the beginning is now and shall be for evermore. Amen**

Prayer of Humble Access

(which may be said at Holy Communion)

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

Readings for Next Week

Epiphany — Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

This Week

Wednesday 2:30pm Holy Communion at Gordon Chapel

Next Sunday - 7th January - Epiphany

9:00am	Holy Communion at St Marnan's, Aberchirder
10:00am	Holy Communion from the Reserve Sacrament at Gordon Chapel
10:30am	Holy Communion at Christ Church, Huntly
11:30am	Holy Communion from the Reserve Sacrament at Holy Trinity, Keith
3:00pm	Christingle Service at Gordon Chapel

Advance Diary Dates

Installation of Revd Dr. Hamilton Inbadas as Priest in Charge of Forres
on Saturday 20th January 2018 at 12.00 noon
in St John the Evangelist Church, Forres.

Diocesan Synod Saturday, 10th March 2018 at the Kingsmills Hotel, Inverness.

Confirmation Service at Christ Church, Huntly – Sunday 18th March 10:30am

Combined Group Away Day at St Duthac's Centre, Arpafeelie on Saturday 16th June