

# St Mary's Church, Walkley



**The Church on the Road:**  
*Inclusive, Eucharistic, a safe place to be with God*

## **The Second Sunday of Epiphany Eucharist**

**19<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley**

**President: The Revd Dr Beth Keith, Priest in Charge  
Preacher: The Revd Dr Beth Keith, Priest in Charge  
Churchwarden on duty: Alexandra**

## The Gathering and Opening Hymn

*We remain seated or kneel as we sing:*

Tune: Veni Creator Spiritus

*Cantor* Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
and lighten with celestial fire;  
thou the anointing Spirit art,  
who dost thy sev'nfold gifts impart:

**Thy blessed unction from above  
is comfort, life, and fire of love;  
enable with perpetual light  
the dullness of our blinded sight:**

**Anoint and cheer our soilèd face  
with the abundance of thy grace:  
keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
where thou art guide no ill can come.**

**Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
and thee, of both, to be but One;  
that through the ages all along  
this may be our endless song,**

**Praise to thy eternal merit,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Text: Rabanus Maurus, c.776-856  
Translated: John Cosin, 1627

*We remain seated.*

## The Oaths and Declarations

*Priest* Friends in Christ, on Wednesday Beth was licensed as your Priest  
in Charge. She now remakes the declaration and oaths at St Mary's  
to affirm her commitment to this place and its people.

## **The Declaration of Assent**

*Priest* The Church of England is part of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church worshipping the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the Catholic Creeds, which faith the Church is called to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer and the ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons.

Beth, in the declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making him known to those in your care?

*Beth* I, Elisabeth Grace Keith, Clerk in Holy Orders, do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the Catholic creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are authorized or allowed by Canon.

## **The Oath of Allegiance**

*Facing the congregation in the nave, Beth holds the New Testament in her right hand and says:*

*Beth* I, Elisabeth Grace Keith, Clerk, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, his heirs and successors according to law, so help me God.

## **The Oath of Canonical Obedience**

*Beth* I, Elisabeth Grace Keith, Clerk, do swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Sheffield and his successors, in all things lawful and honest, so help me God.

*Music is played.*

*We stand.*

## The Greeting

*President* Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe.

*All* **From the rising of the sun to its setting  
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

*President* Three wonders mark this holy season  
as the Church is joined to her heavenly Bridegroom.

*President* This day water is made wine at the wedding feast.

*All* **Alleluia.**

*President* Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you,

*All* **and also with you.**

## The New Creation is Revealed in the Water made Wine

*President* I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem,  
coming down out of heaven from God,

*All* **prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.**

*President* And I heard a great voice from the throne, saying,

*All* **‘Behold, the dwelling of God is among mortals.**

*President* He will dwell with them and they shall be his peoples,

*All* **and God himself will be with them.**

*President* Behold, I make all things new:

*All* **I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.**

*President* To the thirsty I will give water as a gift

*All* **from the spring of the water of life.’**

*Revelation 21*

*The wine is received and placed on the altar.*

*President* Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe:  
for the marriage of the Lamb has come.

Make your Church ready,  
and clothe her with the righteous deeds of the saints,  
to join the praises of your new creation.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

*We remain standing and we sing:*

## The Gloria in Excelsis

*Cantor* Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,

*All* **Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

*Cantor* Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

*All* **Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

*All* **Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

*Cantor* For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*All* **Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

## The Collect

*President* Grateful for the glory revealed today through God made flesh,  
let us pray:

Eternal Lord,  
our beginning and our end:  
bring us with the whole creation  
to your glory, hidden through past ages  
and made known  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*We sit.*

## **The Reading: Isaiah 62. 1 - 5**

*Reader* A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the Lord will give.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.  
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,  
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;  
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,  
and your land Married;  
for the Lord delights in you,  
and your land shall be married.  
For as a young man marries a young woman,  
so shall your builder marry you,  
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,  
so shall your God rejoice over you.

*Reader* This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Gradual Hymn**

*We stand and we sing. During the hymn we turn to face the processional cross as the book of the Gospels moves to the middle of the people.*

Tune: Rhuddlan – Judge Eternal throned in splendour

**Jesus, come! for we invite you,  
Guest and Master, Friend and Lord;  
now, as once at Cana's wedding,  
speak, and let us hear your word:  
lead us through our need or doubting,  
hope be born and joy restored.**

**Jesus, come! transform our pleasures,  
guide us into paths unknown;  
bring your gifts, command your servants,  
let us trust in you alone:  
though your hand may work in secret,  
all shall see what you have done.**

**Jesus, come in new creation,  
heaven brought near in power divine;  
give your unexpected glory  
changing water into wine:  
rouse the faith of your disciples —  
come, our first and greatest Sign!**

**Jesus, come! surprise our dullness,  
make us willing to receive  
more than we can yet imagine,  
all the best you have to give:  
let us find your hidden riches,  
taste your love, believe, and live!**

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## **The Gospel Reading: John 2. 1 - 11**

*Minister* Alleluia, alleluia.  
Christ was revealed in flesh,  
proclaimed among the nations  
and believed in throughout the world.

*All* **Alleluia.**

*1 Timothy 3.16*

*Minister* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim.

He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

*Minister* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*We stand.*

## **The Creed**

*President* Let us declare our faith in God,

*All* **We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**



**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*We sit or kneel.*

## **The Prayers of Intercession**

*Intercessor* Lord of glory,  
*All* **hear our prayer.**

*Or another response is used.*

*Intercessor* Merciful Father,  
*All* **accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

*We stand.*

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

*President* Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there shall be no end.

*Isaiah 9.6,7*

*All* The peace of the Lord be always with you,  
**and also with you.**

*Minister* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We remain in our seats, sharing the peace through waves to those around us.*

## **The Offertory Hymn**

*We stand and we sing as the altar is prepared. If you would like to support St Mary's, donations can be made after the service at the back of church using the collection plate or contactless card giving station. If you would like to give regularly to St Mary's please speak to the Treasurer, or one of the Churchwardens.*

Tune: Carlisle – Breathe on me, Breath of God

**Come, join in Cana's feast  
where Christ is honoured guest.  
He welcomes all who come to taste  
the wine his hands have blessed.**

**The old wine now is gone  
from jars that stand apart.  
No longer can it satisfy  
the yearning, thirsting heart.**

**But Christ, the Word made flesh,  
bids water turn to wine.  
He fills our empty cups again  
with grace and truth divine.**

**Come, friends, and share the feast;  
here drink the wine supplied  
by him who is both guest and host--  
for us, the crucified.**

**For now he lives and reigns  
through all eternity  
with Father, Spirit, Three in One,  
the glorious Trinity.**

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## The Eucharistic Prayer

*President* The Lord is here.

*All* **His Spirit is with us.**

*President* Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*President* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*President* All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty creator, ever-living God,  
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:  
for at this time we celebrate your glory  
made present in our midst.

In the coming of the Magi  
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.

In the waters of baptism  
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,  
the Saviour sent to redeem us.

In the water made wine  
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.  
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name  
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

*Cantor* Holy Holy Holy Lord

*All* **Holy Holy Holy Lord**

*Cantor* God of power and God of might

*All* **God of power and God of might**

*Cantor* Heaven and earth are full of your glory

*All* **Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

*Cantor* Hosanna in the highest

*All* **Hosanna in the highest**

*Cantor* Blessed is he who comes

*All* **Blessed is he who comes**

*Cantor* In the name of the Lord most High

*All* **In the name of the Lord most High**

*Cantor* Hosanna

*All* **Hosanna**

*Cantor* Hosanna

*All* **Hosanna**

*Cantor* Hosanna in the highest

*All* **Hosanna in the highest**

*President* We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

*Minister* Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

*Cantor* Dying you destroyed our death  
*All* **Dying you destroyed our death**

*Cantor* Rising you restored our life  
*All* **Rising you restored our life**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus come  
*All* **Lord Jesus come**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus come  
*All* **Lord Jesus come**

*Cantor* Come again in glory  
*All* **Come again in glory**

*President* Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with Mary, Mark, John and all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*We sit or kneel.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*President* Believing the promises of God,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

*All* **Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*President* We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.

*All* **God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

## The Giving of Communion

*President* Jesus is the Christ, the Chosen of God,  
*All* **the one who will bring healing to the nations.**

*The president will give instructions on how to come forward for communion and on returning to our seats. All are welcome to come to front for the bread and wine or a blessing. If you would like a blessing please keep your arms folded across your chest at you approach the front.*

*We are now able to receive the wine as well as the bread. The president will dip the wafer in the wine before giving it to you. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask at the altar.*

*During the distribution we sing.*

## The Prayer after Communion

*President* Let us pray.

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*All* **Merciful God,  
you have called us to your table  
and fed us with the bread of life.  
Draw us and all people to serve your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## The Notices

*We stand.*

## The Blessing

*President* May God the Father,  
who led the magi by the shining of a star  
to find the Christ, the Light from light,  
lead us in our pilgrimage to find the Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*President* May God the Son,  
who turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana,  
transform our lives and make glad our hearts.

*All* **Amen.**

*President* May God the Holy Spirit,  
who came upon the beloved Son  
at his baptism in the river Jordan,  
pour out his gifts on us  
who have come to the waters of new birth.

*All* **Amen.**

*President* And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among us and remain with us always.

*All* **Amen.**

## The Closing Hymn

*We remain standing and we sing during which we turn to face the back of church as the robed ministers process.*

Tune: Sussex Carol

**At Cana's wedding, long ago,  
they knew his presence by this sign,  
a virtue none but Christ could show,  
to turn their water into wine:  
and still on us his blessing be  
as in the days of Galilee.**

**What if the way be far to go  
and life at times a weary load?  
Yet may our hearts within us glow  
as theirs on that Emmaus road:  
the risen Christ become our guest,  
with him to walk, in him to rest.**

**O Lord of all our life below,  
O risen Lord of realms above,  
eternal joy be theirs to know,  
united in the bond of love:  
    one in the faith, with one accord,  
    one with each other and the Lord.**

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## **The Dismissal**

*Minister* We have seen his glory,  
the glory revealed to all the nations.  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All* **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

***Refreshments are served after the service.***

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