



The 1st Sunday of Christmas



The 1st Reading - 1 Corinthians 1.26-29

²⁶Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God.

The 2nd Reading - Matthew 2.13-18

¹³After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.' ¹⁴Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, ¹⁵and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.' ¹⁶When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸'A voice was heard in Ramah,
wailing and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be consoled,
because they are no more.'

Today's Psalm (Matins) - 124

If the Lord himself had not been on our side,
now may / Israel / say : if the Lord himself had
not been on our side when / men rose / up
a/gainst us;



They had swallowed / us up / quick : when thy
were so / wrathfully dis/pleas-ed / at us.
Yea the / waters had / drowned us : and the /
stream had gone / over our / soul.
The deep / waters of the / proud : had gone /
even / over our / soul.
But praised / be the / Lord : who hath not
given us over for a / prey / unto their / teeth.
Our soul is escaped, even as a bird out of the /
snare of the / fowler : the snare is / broken
and / we are de/livered .
Our help standeth in the / Name of the / Lord :
who hath / made / heaven and / earth.

This Week @ St. Wilfrid's

Welcome everybody who is joining us for our service today, we welcome particularly the Rev. Eddie Roberts who will be leading us in worship at 8.30 a.m.

As usual our Christmas Crib through Christmas and Epiphany will be supporting the work of Mampong Babies Home in Asante, Ghana. Please give generously if you are able.

Please note there will be no Wednesday service this week.

***On behalf of Ian and family, the Church Officers and the PCC,
we wish you all a very***

Happy Christmas & a Peaceful New Year

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Peter Hargreaves, Neville Barker and Robert Cummings.

**Year's Mind
(2014+)**

Winifred Wright
Sylvia Heath

Gordon Smith

Week beginning the 28th December

Sun. **The 1st Sunday of Christmas**

8.30 a.m. Said Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Choral Matins
6.30 p.m. No Service

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Sun. **The Feast of the Epiphany**

8.30 a.m. Said Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Sung Holy Communion
6.30 p.m. Choral Evensong

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This Sunday's Readings - The 1st Sunday of Christmas

8.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
Psalm 124 1 Corinthians 1:26-29 Matthew 2:13-18	No Service

Next Sunday's Readings - The Feast of the Epiphany

8.30 a.m. and 10.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12	Psalm 98 Isaiah 60:1-9 John 2:1-11

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