

Next Week's Services

Sunday 28	Presentation of Christ in the Temple
Linch 9.30am	Communion with Junior Church
<i>Readings</i>	<i>Malachi 3:1-5; Hebrews 2:14-end; Luke 2:22-40</i>
Stedham 9.30am	Communion
<i>Readings</i>	<i>Malachi 3:1-5; Hebrews 2:14-end; Luke 2:22-40</i>
Milland 11am	Matins
<i>Lessons</i>	<i>Malachi 3:1-5; Luke 2:22-40</i>
No Service at Iping	

Linch with Iping Marsh

Milland & Rake

Stedham with Iping

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TODAY'S SERVICES

SUNDAY 21

EPIPHANY 3

Stedham 9.30am	Communion
Linch 9.30am	Communion
Milland 11am	Communion
No Service at Iping	

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 by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Genesis 14:17-20

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said,

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
maker of heaven and earth;
and blessed be God Most High,
who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'
And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything

Revelation 19:6-10

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out,
'Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God
the Almighty reigns.

Let us rejoice and exult
and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has come,
and his bride has made herself ready;
to her it has been granted to be clothed
with fine linen, bright and pure'—
for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

John 2:1-11

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.

Intercessions

World Church: PRAY for The Church of Bangladesh,

Diocese: PRAY for the Chancellor of the Diocese, the Diocesan Registrar, and the Registry Clerk

Benefice: Stedham and Iping Luncheon Club

Prayers for those in Long Term Care:

Martin Beale and Pam Way

Prayers for the Sick:

Fiona Johnson, Diane McCarthy, Gregor Rushin, David Stobart and John Gorse.

In Memoriam: Walter Wright, Raymond Lane

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty Father, whose 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 he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Thought for the Week

The purpose in prayer is: Being present with the Presence
(*Micha Jazz.*)

Benefice Notices.

Lent Course: Inspiring Vision

The course considers how the visual arts provide inspiration and pathways to prayer.

Six people have chosen their favourite painting, picture, or work of art.

In the course they explain what their choice says about prayer.

The course will run on Monday evenings through Lent, starting on 19th Feb.

We will meet at 7pm in the Bettsworth Room and plan to finish at **8.30pm**

For more information talk to Rev Trish.

Wednesday Eucharist: This takes place on Wednesdays at of **9.00am** in the **Bettsworth Room.**

Samara Aid: Do you think you can be a packer? If anyone wants to help they should contact me by email -

Mfundisi.johnston@gmail.com or by phone 01428 741131 as soon as possible. Also that clothing in GOOD

CONDITION can be brought to the Redford Village Hall between 2 & 4pm on Tuesday 23rd. and then on

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between 10am & 4pm. It costs around £5 to transport each box so donations will be

thankfully received.

The Melisma Group: will meet again on Thursday 25th January at 3pm at Black Lake House Milland. For more information contact Bill at 01428 741131.