

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

**09.30 Café Praise**

Cafe Praise will not be streamed to youtube, but will be available live on zoom from 9.20am.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87652390261?pwd=OEVpNmt4K0JzekRMdzdLSDiSE5VUT09>

Meeting ID: 876 5239 0261

Passcode: 561515

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>**

**11.15 Holy Communion at St John's**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

**PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE/CANDLEMAS**

**08.00 Holy Communion**

**09.30 Parish Eucharist**

**Sharing in Ministry at St John's**

**Priest in Charge (Danbury and Little Baddow)**

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**Parish Church of  
St John the Baptist, Danbury**



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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**

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**Readings: John 2:1-11**

**Hymns:** 545 Morning has broken  
265 There's a spirit in the air  
102 Jesus, come for we invite you  
358 Be still for the presence of the Lord  
94 As with gladness, men of old.

## 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. **Amen**

## Intercessions

Please pray for one another during this difficult time and those who you know are unwell at present: **Pam Melville, Julie Barker, Catherine, Lisa Payne, Janet Bennet, Sylvia Beckett, Margaret Cockerill,**

and please remember the faithful departed, commending them to God's love and mercy: **Clive Willey, Christine Jemmeson**

*If anyone wants to add someone to St John's prayer list please contact Jacqui or Jenny Molyneux-Berry 01245 223231*

### Prayers for forgiveness

**God our Father, who sent your son full of grace and truth, forgive our failure to receive him. Lord have mercy.**

**Jesus our Saviour, you were born into poverty and laid in a manger; forgive our greed and rejection of your ways.**

**Christ have mercy.**

**Spirit of love, your servant Mary responded joyfully to your call; forgive us when we are slow to do the same. Lord have mercy.**

### Declaration of Faith:

**We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty,**

**We believe and trust in Jesus Christ his Son,**

**We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit,**

**We believe and trust in the Three in One.**

## Readings

### John 2:1-11

2 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' <sup>6</sup> Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. <sup>9</sup> 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 <sup>10</sup> 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.' <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.



A date for your diary

Flower Festival  
'Beauty of the Earth'  
at St John's

21st - 24th June

Details of sponsorship will be made  
available soon