



WELCOME TO ST CHAD LADYBARN

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Today we welcome the Revd Eileen Short to preside and preach

This morning's music

727 The people that in darkness sat
 580 O thou who camest from above
 280 Hail to the Lord's anointed
 424 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
 671 Spirit divine, attend our prayers

This morning's readings and prayers

Isaiah 43.1-7 (Reader: Barbara Purvis); **Psalm 29**;
Acts 8.14-17 (Reader: Freda Evans);
Luke 3.15-17,21,22 (Gospeller: Opal Walsh),
 Intercessor: Leslie Fletcher

Today's Eucharistic Prayer:E

Prayer in the silence after communion
 Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed
 Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our
 Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved
 children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Collect for the Baptism of Christ

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus
 revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with
 the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by
 water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to
 our calling as your adopted children; 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.

Gospel acclamation *Reader:* Alleluia, alleluia.
 This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am
 well pleased. *Response:* Alleluia.

Post Communion: Baptism of Christ

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the
 heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the
 baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power
 of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our
 rebirth through the waters of the new creation;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Tea & coffee are served in the Hall after the morning service. All welcome

The work of Christmas by Howard Thurman

When the song of the angels is stilled,		
When the star in the sky is gone,	To find the lost,	
When the Kings and Princes are home,	To heal the broken,	To rebuild the nations,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,	To feed the hungry	To bring peace among people,
The work of Christmas begins:	To release the prisoner,	To make music in the heart.

Thanks number 1 Please take a chocolate on the way out – thanks to a lot of hard work we have paid our 2015 Parish Share in full. This is a very important way in which we demonstrate our involvement with the wider church – and we would not have got the Diocesan grant towards Hall improvements had we not paid our 2014 Parish Share in full!

Thanks number 2 Thanks to everyone who helped make the Christmas services dignified and memorable, or worked hard to clean and decorate the church for Christmas.

This week and further ahead

12 January ~ Tuesday 7.30pm Holy Communion followed at 8pm by PCC meeting

24 January ~ Sunday **Bishop David will preside and preach at the Parish Eucharist.** A simple Parish Lunch beginning around noon is being organised.

7 February ~ Sunday 6.30pm Choral Evensong with the Maia Singers from Stockport. Please invite family and friends to what should be a most uplifting service. Last year the Maia Singers performed at St Paul's Cathedral and sang Choral Evensong at St Martin in the Fields.



Next Sunday, Second Sunday of Epiphany

President and preacher: Revd Canon Nicholas Feist. **Isaiah 62.1-5** (Reader: Leslie Fletcher); Psalm 36.5-10;
1 Corinthians 12.1-11 (Reader: Jenny Black); **John 2.1-11** (Gospeller: Helen Reid), Intercessor: Opal Walsh