



WELCOME TO ST CHAD LADYBARN

in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



"Repent for the kingdom of heaven has come near" Matthew 4:1

This morning's music

702 The Church's one foundation
 200 Forth in the peace of Christ we go
 379 Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
 52 Dear Lord and Father of mankind
 37 I, the Lord of sea and sky
Pantcheff: Prelude on Repton

This morning's readings

Isaiah 9.1-4 (Reader: Robert Nicholls); **Psalm 27**;
1 Corinthians 1.10-18 (Reader: Kathleen Mulligan);
Matthew 4.12-23 (Gospeller: Colin Powell),
 Intercessor: Jenny Black

Today's Eucharistic Prayer: E

Prayer in the silence after communion

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Collect: Third Sunday of Epiphany

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.

Gospel acclamation

Reader: Alleluia, alleluia. Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world. *Response:* Alleluia!

Post Communion: 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

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.

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

We have received a letter of thanks from Assist for the donation St Chad's has made through our trusts. They greatly appreciate our support.

This week and further ahead

- 23 – 26 January Mark will be away on retreat
- 24 January ~ Tuesday 7.30pm Evening Prayer followed at 8.00pm by Needlecraft group meeting
Note: No Taize service at St Nick's tonight – last week's notice sheet got this wrong!
- 26 January ~ Thursday 10.00am Holy Communion
- 31 January ~ Tuesday 8.00pm in the Community Hall: Science and Religion Evening
The Universe as God's Creation
Did the universe create itself out of quantum fluctuations as Professor Stephen Hawking and others claim, or was it made by God as the Bible teaches?
Admission £3, refreshments provided. Everyone welcome
- 10 February ~ Friday Spend an hour collecting money for Christian Aid in the Tesco Store in Burnage
See Leslie Fletcher or sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/Tesco-ChristianAid-collections>
Thanks to those who helped collect at Tesco East Didsbury yesterday
- 18 February ~ Saturday 10.00 – 11.30am at St Nick's: *Tips and practice* session for readers and intercessors

Date for your diary

- 23 April ~ Sunday Annual Parish Meetings in the Hall after the Parish Eucharist – a long way ahead but this is an important event in the life of our church

Next Sunday, The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, Candlemas

Malachi 3.1-5 (Reader: Barbara Purvis); **Psalm 24**; **Hebrews 2.14-18** (Reader: Judy Fletcher); **Luke 2.22-40** (Gospeller: Opal Walsh), Intercessor: Helen Reid