



# St. Anne's Church, Chingford

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## 30th January 2022– Presentation of Christ

### Parish Eucharist 10.00

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**Welcomer:** Nina Hammarberg, Rosalind Tatam

**Server:** Alan Pearson

**Lessons:** Joy Ventour

**Prayers:** Beryl Stratton

**Preacher:** Mick Scotchmer

**Celebrant:** Mick Scotchmer

**Music:** Peter Stannard

#### Hymns

105 Christ whose glory fills the skies

167 Faithful vigil ended

Solo after sermon

279 Hail to the Lord who comes

223 Glorious things of thee are spoken



<b>This week</b> →	Tuesday	1st Feb	20.00	MLT
	Friday	4th Feb	10.00	Eucharist
	Sunday	6th Feb	10.00	Parish Eucharist
				11.00

## **Collect**

Almighty and ever-living God,  
clothed in majesty,  
whose beloved Son  
was this day presented in the Temple,  
in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to you  
with pure and clean hearts,  
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **Post Communion**

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and  
Anna,  
who lived to welcome the Messiah:  
may we, who have received these gifts  
beyond words,  
prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes  
to bring us to eternal life;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## Old Testament Reading

*Malachi 3.1-5*

Thus says the Lord God: <sup>1</sup>See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>2</sup>But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; <sup>3</sup>he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

<sup>5</sup>Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts. This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## New Testament Reading

*Hebrews 2.14-18*

<sup>14</sup>Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup>and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. <sup>16</sup>For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. <sup>17</sup>Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people.

<sup>18</sup>Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All    Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), <sup>24</sup>and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

<sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. <sup>26</sup>It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup>Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, <sup>28</sup>Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

<sup>29</sup>Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,  
according to your word;

<sup>30</sup>for my eyes have seen your salvation,

<sup>31</sup>which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

<sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles  
and for glory to your people Israel.'

<sup>33</sup>And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup>Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed <sup>35</sup>so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

<sup>36</sup>There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup>then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup>When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All    **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Free Will Offering scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the **Free Will Offering** scheme please speak to Andy Crawford, Lindsey Archer or the church wardens.*

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**Face Covering** - Now that Plan-B has ended we are not required to wear face coverings in church. We would still ask that they are worn when entering and leaving the church as a courtesy to those who are still more cautious about relaxation of the rules.

**E**

**Margot Ilsley** - After our service next Sunday we will be burying Margot's ashes in the Memorial Garden.

**W**

**Simple Lunch** - The Simple Lunch last Sunday raised £85.50 for Christian Aid.

**S**

**Heat or Eat** - There is still a real need for the food bank at present. Items needed are: Boxes of Cereal, Canned soup, Canned spaghetti/baked beans, Canned fish, Canned meat, Canned tomatoes, Canned potatoes/Instant mash, Canned vegetables (i.e. carrots, peas etc.), Canned fruit, Canned dessert, Sugar, Long Life milk / Milk Powder, Teabags, Instant Coffee, Pasta Sauce, Squash, Porridge, Pulses, Kidney Beans, Chick Peas, Pasta, Rice, Couscous, Noodles, Cooking Oil, Soap, Shower Gel, Tooth Brush, Tooth Paste, Shampoo, Razors, (for women or men), Sanitary Towels, Tampons, Washing Powder/ Tablets, Biscuits.

#### FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

**Anniversaries for January;** 1st Frank Garratt, 2nd Iris Gwynn, Ronald Hughes, 3rd Edward Yuill, Peter Thornton, 4th Monica Harris, 5th George Bates, 6th Gabriel Quehan, 7th Lucy Newnham, 8th Arthur Moxon, 16th Betty Ward, 18th Edna Langsdon, 23rd John Sullivan, 25th Geoff Wood, 27th Joye Thurbon, 29th Stanley Rickard.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*