

Embrace the Middle East is our Charity for January and is one of the oldest Christian Charities, set up in 1854 to support Christian communities in the Near and Far East. Known as the Bible Lands Missions Aid Society, changing it's name (to encourage wider funding, like so many other Christian charities) in 2012 to 'Embrace'. They supplied our Carols sheets and have been producing them since 1954. Today they continue to support children and families in the poorest areas – stories of those they have helped are mentioned in the Carol sheets.... visit - [www.embraceme.org](http://www.embraceme.org)

*Retiring collection - please be generous!*

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Wednesday Coffee Mornings have now finished to give our wonderful volunteers a well-deserved break. *We re-open on Wed 23 Jan.*

Church Flowers – *donations always much appreciated throughout the year!*

*Looking ahead...*

Quiz & Supper Night - Monday 14 Jan. 7.30pm

Fun Night with Beetle Drive, Mini Quiz & Bingo – plus supper! Monday 28 Jan. 7.30pm



### **Christian Stewardship:**

*Our Giving on Sundays is always about our response to God's love for us, not just about paying the bills - 'Count your blessings,' as they say!* Last Sunday's collection came to 149.30€ with 195.25€ from recent social/fund-raising events. *Thank you for your support.* We also receive on average 776€ through monthly UK/Spanish standing order Offerings. It costs around 6,393€ each month to maintain our chaplaincy ministry (an increase of 1,092€ from 2017). Unlike other Diocese in the C/E, the Diocese of Europe does not provide Chaplaincies with any financial support for ministry.

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*in Port de Pollença*

**Saint Andrew's**

*Sunday 6 January 2019*

**Welcome to our Sung Eucharist  
on Epiphany Sunday  
~ Happy New Year! ~**

A special welcome if you are visiting.  
If you require Gluten-free Altar bread – please  
have a word with one of the Welcomers.

**Carol Sheet Nos: 4; 18; 21; (2); 14**

*Do join us for refreshments after the Service,  
which are served at the back of church*

*If you pay tax in the UK and are visiting – please  
make use of the Gift Aid envelopes – it helps us a  
great deal. Please complete all the details required -  
Thank you!*

**Prayer Ministry is offered during Holy Communion:**  
Just make your way to the Quiet Room at the front  
of Church after receiving Holy Communion &  
someone will be there to pray with you or for you.

During the week:

Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 – 12.30pm Eucharist

**Next Sunday:** 13 January 2019

Baptism of the Lord

10.00am Sung Eucharist

*To help you prepare for worship next Sunday  
why not look up the readings we will use at:*

Isa 43:1-4, 6-7 Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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***During the week please pray for:***

***Those in need:*** see list over

***Recently Departed:*** Catherine Cooper

***January Anniversaries:*** Freda Longhead,  
Jane Hannahway, Victor Skon-Rees, William Arthur  
Tonsaker, Alfonso Loeffler

# EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## OPENING PRAYER

Father, you revealed your Son to all the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to your glory in heaven by the light of faith. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE READING (Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6)

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians*  
You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

*This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

We saw his star as it rose  
and have come to do the Lord homage.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

## GOSPEL (Matthew 2: 1-12)

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

**Glorify to you, O Lord.**

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. "Where is the infant king of the Jews?" they asked. "We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. "At Bethlehem in Judaea," they told him "for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
you are by no means least among the leaders  
of Judah, for out of you will come a leader  
who will shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. "Go and find out all about the child," he said "and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage." Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother, Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening

their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.*

## Thought for the week:

### The Magi

Perhaps it was not easy  
for the Magi to choose their gifts;  
after all, they knew nothing  
of the king they sought.  
They could not have had much time  
in the midst of astronomical calculation  
to ponder the merits  
or query the cost  
of myrrh, frankincense, gold  
or anything else.  
And when at last  
after weary following of the star  
they found such a small child  
in a stable of all places  
were they taken aback, even a little?

Or did they feel the finger of God  
and know at once  
that they had found him?

How much simpler it had been  
for the shepherds -  
surprised by joy  
they just gave all they had  
and worshipped him.

*Sister Michaela CSCJ*

## Praying for one another during the week:

For the worship, work & witness of this Chaplaincy.  
For the work of Charity, Embrace the Middle East  
and the people they will be able to help this week.  
For family & friends at the start of this new year.

Damian Walker, the Burns family, Marcus, Joseph, Sam, Clive L, Ken, Sarah Benelli, Dermot, Theo, Dene, Robert, Angela Ingham, Robert Wright, Sussana Barford, Sarah Feeney, Jonathan Navarro & family, Ian Cochran, Jesus Robert, Georgeann Tisdale, Linda Bell, David, Farin Marvich, James, Eli, Chris, Brian, Mary Pacey, Joyce Baugh, Tim Wykes, Maryrose, Malcolm Gallagher, Grace, Danny, Mark, Luke, Ellie, Stuart & family, Sharon, Alison, David, Penny, Lucie, Jo Fluff & family, Robyn & family, Stephen, Sue & family, Eddie, Beth, Ronald, Margaret & Brian, Liz & Albert, Mel & Matthew, Tanya, Luke, Lesley Parkes, Michelle, Tony, Derek Strathan, Andria, John H. The recently bereaved.