THIS WEEK	SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 9.00 am Matins 10.30 am Iona Communion 6.00pm HC with anointing
Tuesday 14th January	THURSDAY 16TH JANUARY
7.30pm Men's Group: Film Night: Castles in the sky	9.00am-11.00am TINY TOTS
WEDNESDAY 15TH JANUARY	
10.00am-12.00pm OPEN CHURCH	
10.00am-12.00pm Knit & Natter Hawkesley	
SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY	SUNDAY 19TH JANUARY
10.00am—12.00pm—OPEN CHURCH	9.00am BCP Holy Communion
	10.30am Holy Communion
	12.30pm Baptism
	6.00pm Evening Prayer
Collect for the Week:	

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.



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TODAY Isaiah 43. 1-7 Page 682 Luke 3. 15-17,21-22 Pages 57-58 NEXT WEEK Psalm 36. 5-10 Page 521 John 2. 1-11 Page 89 **QR To Donate! Alternatively** Donate at the back of Church or Our donation boxes!

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# **Baptism of Christ**

"And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3: 22

From the Christmas season focus on the stories of the birth of Jesus, and all the events that took place around it, this week we move thirty years forward to his baptism. It's another 'epiphany', another 'revealing' of Jesus. The revealing of the Son of God to the Wise Men, an event the Church describes as the Epiphany, the capital 'E' giving it a position of prominence, is for me one in a series of epiphanies: the testimony of the prophets; Gabriel to Mary and Joseph; the angels to the shepherds; Simeon and Anna in the Temple. Each one, like jigsaw pieces, helping to create a complete picture. As Jesus begins his ministry, more revelations will happen, more of the picture will be completed. Yet epiphanies of Jesus aren't confined to the Bible, as we experience them, too, in our life of faith. Pray that God the Father will continue to bless you with epiphanies of the Son as you continue to grow in faith.

# Steve Wright

# **DATES FOR THE DIARY:**

Tuesday 14th January 7.30pm Men's Group

Saturday 18th January 7.30pm Eroica Concert

Saturday 25th January 10:30am Hawkesley Fundraiser Coffee morning Tuesday 21st January 10am Women's Group @ Navigation

**Orchestral concert** on Saturday 18th Jan - Eroica Camarata return to present Mussorgsky's "Night on a Bare Mountain" and interesting works by his contemporaries.

# Hawkesley Coffee Morning

Join us at Hawkesley for a fundraiser coffee morning to raise for St Nicolas. There will be refreshments and a raffle. So if anyone has any prizes to contribute to the raffle please contact the Parish Office or get in touch with Erica Elliot.

**Please Remember in your prayers:** Mason Green, Paul Cowley, Siobhan and Darlene, June McCoy, Pauline Wells, Joyce Hancock, Maureen Black, Steven Fearon, Greta Lacey, Sarah Byford, Catherine Wilkinson, Gabriella Young, Matthew Coulter, Sandra, John Osborne, Margaret Roper, Jean Dewey, Eddie Matthews, Mary Barnes, Kate Charalambous, Donald Bullas and Fiona Fendick.

**Those Who have died and those who grieve for them:** Jeremy Dacombe, William Ludlow, Joseph Houston, Doris Jones, Kathleen Finan, Charlie Burrow

**Lady Chapel:** Prayers are offered here after the 10.30am service. Please come if you would like someone to pray with you.

# **B30 and South Birmingham Foodbank**

Many thanks for all your donations throughout 2024. We have seen a record level of demand this year, but donations, both food and financial, have managed to keep up with the need. Those who donate food regularly, please could we ask you to take a break until the beginning of February, as our warehouse is full to bursting just now - the general giving in December has far outstripped the same period in 2022 and 2023. Please keep the Clients, Trustees, Managers and all team members in your prayers.

**"Private Library"** - we now have a bookstall of quality used Christian books at the back of St Nicolas. Priced at £2 for hardbacks and £1 for softbacks, you can choose to purchase and keep your book, or regard the money as a subscription to a private library and bring the book back after reading, ready for another person to pay-to-read or purchase. Donations can go in any of the donations boxes in church or via the card reader.

# Women's Group

January meet up will be coffee and cake at the Navigation, 10am, Tuesday 21st January. Contact Revd Jayne or Christine to let us know if you can make it. Christine can be contacted on 07758598371.

We are needing help with people to join the Welcomers Team and/or Coffee Rota, please speak to Mark Sandilands, call or message the Parish Office.