

ALL MASSES 10AM AND ARE ZOOMED

Morning Prayer 9am & Evening Prayer 4.30pm

The Weekday Masses Ordinary Wk 4

Monday 1st - Saturday 6th Febr. 2021

Day	CELEBRATION	INTENTION
M	Feria	The 'disturbed'
T	The Presentation of The Lord In The Temple [Candlemas] <i>feast</i>	Our personal evangelism
W	S.Lawrence <i>Archbishop</i> memoria	The Archbishop
Th.	Feria	The General Synod
F	S.Agatha <i>Virgin-Martyr</i> memoria	Our bellringers
S	The Japanese Martyrs memoria	HM The Queen Accession Day 1952

INTERCESSIONS RENEWAL by Friday 8pm

All requests to Fr J. via email / text / phone

Epidemic Intercessions Sun: Family, friends & loved ones; Mon: Schools & colleges, children & young people; Tue: Elderly, isolated & vulnerable; Wed: Businesses, the workplace & economic wellbeing; Thur: The NHS & other key workers; Fri: National & Local government; Sat: All who are grieving, or all suffering with physical and mental ill-health.

Please pray for all adversely affected by Covid19 [in their plans/lives/work];

The Persecuted esp. fellow Christians / refugees / exiles.

Our Church friends in Care or confined to home: Audrey S., Dudley, Joan N., Nigel T., Rose, Blanche, Kath.

The Sick: Adam, Carolyn, Daniel S., Fr Chris, Cora *child*, Helen D., Milan C., all with Covid19; *the chronically ill, all confused persons, those undergoing treatments / procedures and those who are dying.* **The Bereaved** and all working with them .

+RIPs: Joyce Dockrell, Rosalind Wicker, Patricia Oakeshott, Valerie Phillips, Lawrence Smith *priest*, Michael Anderson *priest*, Sister Mary Teresa ssm, Vincent Buhagier, Richard Tonkinson, Alexandra Eagle.

+RIP Anniversaries: Sunday deceased clergy, Communicant members and benefactors of S.John's, 31st-Marie Jenkins, Duncan Graham, 2nd-Ena Choules, 6th- King George VI.

Thanksgiving: for key workers at present especially those working in the NHS/Care Sector and Schools/Colleges, Vaccine research and inoculation programme

The Church Lamps are sponsored this week as a special prayer intention for all frontline workers who are doing their best during this difficult time

2021 LAMP SPONSORSHIP needed please. Forms can be emailed or ring Val who deals with this 01474-823423 **THANK YOU** past 2020 sponsors-and this year's so far.

BAGS 2 CHURCH NOTICE 121 Bags were collected Income received will be announced ASAP. Thank you donors, Cheryl for organising, the Crokers for housing them

THIS IS FOODBANK W/END Sat 30th/Sun 31st Jan.

Collection Box in Church Porch 11am-4pm

Next Week	5th Ordinary Sunday	7th FEB'21
ALL SERVICES below are Zoomed-except mass on Facebook		
Morning Prayer 9am	Evening Prayer 4.30pm	
1st MASS – 10am	2nd MASS – 11am	
Also 11am: Live Mass All Saints Perry Street Facebook		
Intention for the Parishes: whichever mass Fr James offers		
Facebook/Twitter links @ website: highamparishchurch.org.uk		

SAINT JOHN'S, HIGHAM

Parish of Higham with Merston

Diocese of Rochester, Church of England.

Under the episcopal care of the Bishop of Richborough

Parish Bulletin - Week Beginning:

Sunday 31st January 2021

S.John's Dedication Feast

159th Anniversary – 29th January 1862



ALL SERVICES ZOOMED DURING LOCKDOWN

For access to zoom - email request to Fr James

TODAY – 31st JAN. 2021

9am Morning Prayer

10am - FIRST MASS

11.00am - SECOND MASS

[Additional 11am mass on Perry Street Facebook]

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Sunday Readings: see p.2

Daily mass readings can be sent too on request

THE CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY FOR PRIVATE PRAYER FROM

11.00AM (Sundays from 12 Noon) TO 4.00PM

Facemasks must be worn – All Lockdown rules observed

THE CHURCH IS CLOSED FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Live Worship via Zoom is available everyday

NOTE: TIME CHANGES - to tie in with the reduced Private Prayer Times in Church

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THE CHURCH HALL IS NOT YET AVAILABLE

Sunday 31st January 2021

DEDICATION FESTIVAL OF S.JOHN'S CHURCH

Consecrated 29 Jan. 1862

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Rev. 21.3

*Behold God's dwelling is with the human race
He will dwell with them and they will be his people,
And God himself with them will be their God.*

Collect

O God, who year by year renew for us the day when this your holy temple was consecrated, hear the prayers of your people and grant that in this place for you there may always be pure worship and for us, fullness of redemption. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First reading

Isaiah 56:1,6-7

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Vvs. from Ps.121 (122)

Response: I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R/.**
2. Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord. **R/.**
3. For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. **R/.**
4. For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
'Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces peace!' **R/.**
5. For love of my brethren and friends
I say: 'Peace upon you!'
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good. **R/.**

Second reading

Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should

be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant and a blood for purification which pleads more insistently than Abel's.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Chronicles 7.16

*Alleluia! Alleluia.
I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the
Lord, for my name will be there forever.
Alleluia.*

Gospel

John 4:19-24

A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Samaritan woman said to Jesus,
'I see you are a prophet, sir. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.'

Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come - in fact it is here already - when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth: that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayers to use when Holy Communion not available

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

The 'Anima Christi'

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds, hide me.
Never let me be separated from you.
From the malignant enemy, defend me.
At the hour of death, call me; and bid me come to you,
that with your saints I may praise you forever. Amen

Communion Antiphon

Cf. 1 Cor 3:16-17

*You are the temple of God, and the Spirit of God dwells
in you. The temple of God, which you are, is holy.*