
Post Communion Prayer:

Lord our God,
who changed the life of St. Paul through a vision of your
Son,
through the power of this sacrament
remake our lives in you,
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Recessional Hymn: 422 Tell out my soul

Notices

Dates for the coming week's services can be found in the church porch. For other information look in The Link or on our website.

Parents: To comply with our Safe from Harm policy please ensure that all children are accompanied to the toilet during services. For Health & Safety reasons please keep your children with you in the Annexe after the service as no one is in church to supervise them. Youth Children & Safe from Harm Committee.

Church Flowers: If you would like to sponsor the flowers for a particular Sunday in 2012, to celebrate a special occasion, remember a loved one or just because you would like to, there is a list at the back of church under the tower.
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Giving Letter Autumn 2011: I would like to thank all those who responded either in writing or in person to the Giving Letter.
As a result an extra £10,616 per year, including Gift Aid, has been promised.

Next Sunday, 29th January 2012, Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

*The Parish Office is open Tues 3.30pm-4.30pm
& Wed 6.30pm-8.00pm. Tel: 01344 425205*

Notices need to be in the Parish Office by noon on Wednesday to appear on the following Sunday Pew Sheet.

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St Michael and St Mary Magdalene

Easthampstead

READINGS and NOTICES

Sunday 22nd January 2012

Conversion of St Paul

PLEASE TAKE THIS PEW SHEET HOME WITH YOU

In the event of fire or other emergency please do not panic. The Churchwardens and sidespeople are trained to direct you safely from the building by the most appropriate exit.

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr Guy Cole

9.30am Parish Eucharist

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Preacher: Revd La Stacey

If you are a taxpayer please use a green envelope for your giving. One can be found at the end of the pew. Pens are available from the Churchwardens to complete and sign it so that the tax can be reclaimed.

You are invited to receive the sacrament if you are accustomed to doing so here or elsewhere.

If you bring a young child with you and they become restless, books and toy bags are available at the back of church.

You are invited to stay for coffee after the service in the Annexe.

Hymns: *Hymn numbers are on the boards at the front of church. The numbers are shown below as they are sung.*

Introit:	Jubilate (X3)
Gradual:	There's a wideness in God's mercy
Offertory:	249 Take my life and let it be
Communion:	Peace is flowing like a river
Communion:	God of glory
Recessional:	422 Tell out my soul

Introit Hymn:

Jubilate (X3)

JUBILATE, EVERYBODY,

Serve the Lord in all your ways,
And come before His presence singing,
Enter now His courts with praise.
For the Lord our God is gracious,
And His mercy's everlasting.
Jubilate, Jubilate, Jubilate Deo.

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Collect

Almighty God,
who caused the light of the gospel
to shine throughout the world
through the preaching of your servant Saint Paul:
grant that we who celebrate his wonderful conversion
may follow him in bearing witness to your truth;
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.

Amen

New Testament Reading:**Acts 9: 1-22**

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of God.' All who heard him were amazed and said, 'Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem among those who invoked this name? And has he not come here for the purpose of bringing them bound before the chief priests?' Saul became increasingly more powerful and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Messiah.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn:

There's a wideness in God's mercy

There's a wideness in God's mercy

like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good;
there is mercy with the Saviour;
there is healing in his blood.

There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kind judgment given.
There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader
than the measure of man's mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful,
we should take him at his word;
and our life would be thanksgiving
for the goodness of the Lord.

Intercessions:

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for The Anglican Church of Brasil and for The Most Revd Mauricio Jose Araujo de Andrade, Primate of Brasil and Bishop of Brasilia.

In our Diocese: We pray for the Deanery of Aylesbury. For the people, churchwardens, PCC, clergy, and support staff of the Deanery.

The service continues at section 11 in Order of Service

Offertory Hymn: 249

Take my life and let it be

The service continues at section 13 in Order of Service

PEACE IS FLOWING LIKE A RIVER,

Flowing out through you and me,
Spreading out into the desert,
Setting all the captives free.

Let it flow through me,

Let it flow through me,

Let the mighty peace of God

Flow out through me.

Let it flow through me,

Let it flow through me,

Let the mighty peace of God

Flow out through me.

Love is flowing ... *(etc.)*

Joy is flowing ... *(etc.)*

Faith is flowing ... *(etc.)*

Hope is flowing ... *(etc.)*

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GOD OF GLORY, we exalt Your name,

You who reign in majesty.

We lift our hearts to You

And we will worship, praise and magnify

Your holy name.

In power resplendent

You reign in glory,

Eternal King, You reign forever.

Your word is mighty,

Releasing captives,

Your love is gracious,

You are my God.

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