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Welcome!

Please join us for tea/coffee after the Sunday morning service

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Sunday 2 February – The Presentation of Christ in the Temple – Candlemas

The 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. **Amen.**

First Reading: Malachi 3.1-5

Thus says the Lord God: 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. 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; 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. Then the offering of Judah
and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the
days of old and as in former years.

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.

Gospel Reading: Luke 2.22-40

When the time of their purification according to the Law
of Moses had been completed, Joseph and Mary took
him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is
written in the Law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male is
to be consecrated to the Lord"), and to offer a sacrifice
in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: "a
pair of doves or two young pigeons".

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who
was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the
consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he
would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ.
Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts.
When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for
him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took
him in his arms and praised God, saying:

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss
your servant in peace.

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have
prepared in the sight of all people,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to
your people Israel."

The child's father and mother marvelled at what was said
about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary,
his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling
and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be
spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will
be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul
too."

There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of
Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had
lived with her husband seven years after her marriage,
and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She
never left the temple but worshipped night and day,
fasting and praying. Coming up to them at that very
moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the
child to all who were looking forward to the redemption
of Jerusalem.

When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by
the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their
own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became
strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God
was upon him.

Prayer after 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. **Amen.**

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Today	<i>The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)</i> 11.00am Parish Sung Eucharist 6.00pm Evensong
Monday 3 rd	<i>Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg, Missionary in Denmark and Sweden, 865</i> 1.30pm Art Class in the Newark
Tuesday 4 th	<i>Gilbert of Sempringham, Founder of the Gilbertine Order, 1189</i> 11.30am Memorial Service for Gillian Patricia Rogers 2.30pm Mothers' Union meeting in the Vestry
Wednesday 5 th	10.15am Wednesday Women's Home Group. Contact Jane Proctor 01629 258911 for details.
Thursday 6 th	9.30am Eucharist 10.30am Walking Group – meet at church, inc. pub/café lunch 7.30pm Bell Practice 7.30pm Choir Practice (contact Judith Taylor: 01629 312984)
Friday 7 th	10.00am U3A Photography Group, meet in the Vestry
Saturday 8 th	

Services in this benefice next Sunday 9 February

9.00am	Parish Eucharist at St Michael & All Angels, Sheldon
9.15am	Breakfast Church at All Saints, Bakewell
9.45am	Parish Sung Eucharist at Holy Trinity, Ashford in the Water
10.00am	Eucharist at St Anne's, Over Haddon
11.00am	Morning Prayer at St Katherine's, Rowsley
11.00am	Parish Sung Eucharist at All Saints, Bakewell
6.00pm	Evensong at All Saints, Bakewell

We support **The High Peak food bank**

Tuesday 4 February at 2.30pm in the Vestry - Mother's Union Meeting:
'Human Remains - What it means to be me' Talk by Jason Clarke. All welcome.

Every Friday 11.00am-12.30pm --- Starting Friday 7 February --- The Memory Hub
A friendly, informal drop in group for people with memory problems and carers
The Gallery, The Whitworth Centre, Darley Dale
For further information please contact Rosie Glass on 07946 637209

If you wish to have anything added to the pew sheet please contact Canon Tony's PA, Emma Raynes, by 10am Thursday for inclusion in the following Sunday's pew sheet, thank you. 01629 814462 / bakewelljazzypa@gmail.com

Please remember in your prayers:

The Community:	For all who live or work locally and this week for those who live or work in Bakewell on Catcliffe Close, Park Road, & Park View.
The Sick:	Philip Brown, John Stamp, David Warrington, Mary Lees, Rita Bonsall.
The Departed:	Diane Wildgoose, Kenneth Rigby, Gillian Rogers, Muriel Josephine Roberts, Cynthia Walker, Michael Hall.

Thy Kingdom Come pledge:-

Please pray for five of your family, friends and neighbours to know the presence of God's Love in their lives.

For access to the **Emergency Prayer Chain** or to activate the **Pastoral Care Team** please contact Revd Brenda Jackson – 01629 813143 / 07340 506749

Gift Aid: If you are a taxpayer please let the church re-claim the tax that you have paid on your donation, we can only do this if you put your collection in a yellow envelope and complete the details on the front.

This will increase your donation by **25%** Thank You.

There is now opportunity for you to pay donations through contactless payment via the card reader on the welcome table at the back of church