

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Our community, congregation and clergy.

We especially ask for prayers for Dinah, Eddie and Nora, Bernard, Mavis, Brian, Helen and Harold.

If you would like us to pray for you, please write your request in the Prayer Book which can be found at the back of church.

EXPLORING THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

with Rev. Dave Walker

Thursday 30 January 2020 :

How Christians Grow – Learning To Pray

17:45 -19:15 in the Tower Room
St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church, Eckington
Refreshments will be provided.

This course is suitable for: people enquiring,
new Christians and established members of
the church.

Any questions? Please contact Rev. Dave.

CONTACTS FOR OUR CHURCHES

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26 January 2020



ST PETER & ST PAUL
ECKINGTON

Service Information & Weekly News

**Welcome to our Service of Holy
Communion on the Third Sunday of
Epiphany.**

**We also welcome Rev Michael Gillingham
who is presiding and preaching today.**

*1 The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?*

*The Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?* Psalm 27 v1

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 28 January

9:15am Holy Communion

Eckington Methodists with St Luke's

10am - 12:30pm Church Open for Tea, Coffee
and Cake St Peter and St Paul

Friday, 31 January

10:30 - 11:45am Landmark's Coffee Morning
St Peter and St Paul

Sunday, 2 February

9:30am United Holy Communion
St Peter and St Paul

WEBSITE

For reports and photos of previous events and
service updates visit:

www.eckingtonchurch.org.uk

Send comments or info to Don at

web.articles@eckingtonchurch.org

WEEKLY SHEET

If you have comments or information for the next
weekly sheet please contact Sue at:

weekly.news@eckingtonchurch.org.uk

The deadline is: 5pm on Wednesday.

Inclusion is not guaranteed as space is often limited.

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah Ch 9 v 1–4

¹But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians Ch 1 v 10–18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me

by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew Ch 4 v 12–23

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' ¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers,

Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

AFTER THIS SERVICE...

Everyone is most welcome to join us in the Tower Room for tea or coffee and biscuits.