

**FRIENDS OF THE DIOCESE OF URUGUAY - VISIT OF FATHER ALEJANDRO**  
on Friday 29 January at 19.30 in St James' Church, Birstall

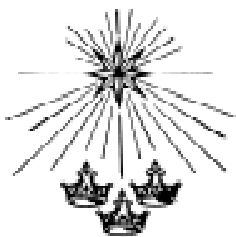
Over the years our Church has been a supporter of the Diocese of Uruguay in terms of prayer and finance. Fr Alejandro is responsible for the management of the social welfare projects run by the Diocese, as well as being Director of Communications. He is currently visiting the UK and will be paying a visit to St James', Birstall, in order to meet supporters in the East Midlands and make a presentation showing what the Anglican Church is doing to alleviate the effects of poverty and youth unemployment and so on, in Uruguay.

**'WHAT WAS LOST IS FOUND'** – Anyone aware that a brass ewer was stolen from the baptistery during Christmastide will be pleased to hear that it has been retrieved, unharmed, thanks to the vigilance of a local tradesman, who reported his suspicions to the police. Our observant friend is being rewarded.

**CHURCH DIARIES** are available from the back of the church. *Donations of at least £1 each are invited.*

**COMMEMORATIVE FLOWERS** – At other than Festival services, the main arrangement of flowers created by members of the Flower Guild adorns the Chancel Steps. Members of the congregation may dedicate flowers on a particular Sunday to departed loved ones or to mark special occasions.

We are grateful to the Flower Guild for its artistry and commitment all through the year. The Guild is always eager to welcome new members. Anyone who would like to have a go at flower arranging, whether male or female – our Guild includes both – is encouraged to contact **Julia Walker (Tel: 271 9347)**.



**The Epiphany Carol Service** is a week later than usual – on the evening of Sunday 17 January. This wonderful service explores the rich symbolism of Epiphany. The season of Epiphany lasts until 6 February.

**NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNINGS ...**

We welcome two groups of fellow Christians will be using our premises as a Leicester base for their worship. The **Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministry** is holding services in the Undercroft on Sunday afternoons, weekly, with a prayer group meeting in the Ashman Music Room on Wednesday evenings, weekly. The **Nottingham Coptic Orthodox Church** will be holding services in the Lady Chapel on Saturday mornings, monthly.

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This Week at the Church of  
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**10 JANUARY 2010 – THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST**

*If you wear a hearing-aid, please switch to T to benefit from the inductive loop*  
**Large-print hymn books are available from sidesmen**  
*The high altar may be approached via the side steps, which have handrails*  
**Please inform a Churchwarden if you wish to receive Communion in your seat**

**Collect**

Eternal Father,  
who at the baptism of Jesus  
revealed him to be your Son,  
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:  
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,  
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;  
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.

**08.30**

**Holy Communion**

Common Worship, Order I (Traditional)  
Celebrant: The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole  
Churchwarden: Tricia Dean

**10.20**

**Children's Sunday Club**

in the Church Hall

**10.30**

**Sung Eucharist**

Common Worship, Order I  
**see service sheet and music card**  
Celebrant: The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole  
Assisted by: April Burton and Angela Jagger  
Churchwardens: Graham Jagger and Owen Jones  
Sidesmen: Ivan Eames, Cherry Fulloway, Darienne Griffith and David Kibert  
Servers: David Nisbet, Janet Burton and Emma-Jane Finn  
Setting: Darke in F

INTROIT How brightly shines the Morning Star harm. Bach  
**HYMN 142** (omit vv 3 & 4) **Hail to the Lord's Anointed ...**  
 READING Isaiah 43 : 1 – 7 read by April Burton  
**HYMN 511** (t. 29, omit vv 4 & 5) **The great Creator of the worlds ...**  
 GOSPEL Luke 3 : 15 – 17, 21 – 22  
 SERMON The Very Reverend Dr Derek Hole  
 INTERCESSIONS Angela Jagger, Reader  
**HYMN 526** **When Jesus came to Jordan ...**  
 ANTHEM From the rising of the sun Ousley  
**COMMUNION HYMN 442** **Christ, when for us you were baptized ...**  
**HYMN 402** **Now is eternal life ...**  
 VOLUNTARY

*Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after the service*

18.30

## Choral Evensong

*see service card and music sheet*

Officiant: John Raven, Reader

Churchwardens: Tricia Dean and Angela Hefford

Sidesmen: Rosemary Freer, John Sharp and Frederick Sylvester

Servers: Michael Bull, April Burton and Teri-Leigh White

**HYMN 47** **Brightest and best of the sons of the morning ...**  
**CONFESSION** **Almighty and most merciful Father ...**  
 PRECES *sung by the choir* Smith  
**PSALM 46** *see music sheet*  
 FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55 : 1 – 11 read by John Sharp  
**MAGNIFICAT** *see music sheet*  
 SECOND LESSON Romans 6 : 1 – 11 read by William Woolley  
 NUNC DIMITTIS *sung by the choir* Stanford in B flat  
**THE CREED** **I believe in God ...**  
 ANTHEM O for a closer walk with God Stanford  
 PRAYERS Gillean Russell  
**HYMN 50** **The heavenly Child in stature grows ...**  
 SERMON John Raven, Reader  
**HYMN 512** **'The kingdom is upon you!' ...**  
 BLESSING  
 DISMISSAL *Plainsong* The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**  
 Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**  
 VOLUNTARY

## OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

**All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering this week**

Rob Burton : Monica Corbin : Pat Russell : Charles Wicksteed

### Unwell

Margaret Bell (in the LRI since 11 December) : Barry Butler

Tony Clarke (Tricia Dean's father) : Adrian Dean : Arthur Garrett

Alec Harrison : Paul Long : Peter Joseph Spokes (Pam's nephew) and

Peter Andrew Spokes (Pam's great-nephew) both in the USA

### Recovering

George Dickerson : Paul Makepeace (after a minor stroke)

*The chancel steps flowers this week have been kindly given by the Good Companions*

## The Rest of the Week

### Daily

08.30 **Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel**

**Monday 11th** *Mary Slessor*

18.00 Boys' Choir practice

**Tuesday 12th** *Aelred of Hexham Bernard, Bishop of Wearmouth*

07.15 NO SERVICE

19.45 Standing Committee meets at the Vicarage

**Wednesday 13th** *Hilary of Poitiers Kentigern (Mungo) George Fox*

14.15 Good Companions in the Large Hall

19.00 SJ2 (Junior Youth Club) meets in the Undercroft

### Thursday 14th

10.15 **Holy Communion** Common Worship, Order 1 (traditional)

Celebrant: The Reverend Jane Sharp

10.45 Coffee Drop-in in the Undercroft

17.00 41st Leicester Scouts (boys and girls) meet in the Undercroft

18.00 Girls' Choir practice

### Friday 15th

19.00 Choir Practice

### Saturday 16th

## Sunday Next – Epiphany 2

08.30 **Holy Communion** Celebrant: Canon Glynn Richerby

10.20 Sunday Club meets in the Large Hall

10.30 **Sung Eucharist** Celebrant and Preacher: Rev'd Jane Sharp

Readings: Isaiah 62 : 1 – 5 and John 2 : 1 – 11

18.30 **Epiphany Carol Service** Officiant: Canon Glynn Richerby