



Christmas & Epiphany Morning Prayer

St Andrew's Anglican Church

Book of Common Prayer

Lord, teach us to pray.

Lord, keep our thoughts from wandering.

**Lord, cleanse our hearts that we may worship thee in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near.

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**O Heavenly Father, we confess that we have sinned greatly against thee in thought, and
word, and deed, and have done that which is wrong in thy sight. Forgive us our sins, and give
us grace always to resist temptation and to do thy holy will; for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.**

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that we may
be cleansed from all our Sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O Lord, open thou our lips; **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

O God, make speed to save us; **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord; **The Lord's Name be praised.**

Christmas 1 readings - Isaiah 61:10—62:3; Palms 148; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:22-40

Epiphany readings - Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

The Lord be with you; **And with thy spirit.**

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.**

O Lord God, who hast bidden light to shine out of darkness, and who hast again wakened us to praise thee for thy goodness and to ask for thy grace: Accept now the offering of our worship and thanksgiving, and grant unto us all such requests as may be acceptable to thy holy will. Make us to live as children of the light, and heirs of thy everlasting kingdom. Remember, O Lord, according to the multitude of thy mercies, thy whole Church, all who join with us in prayer, and all in our family, wherever they may be, who stand in need of thine aid. Pour down upon us all the riches of thy grace, so that, redeemed in soul and body, and steadfast in faith, we may ever praise thy wonderful and holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please give voice to your own intercessions and prayers

O God whose ways are hidden and whose works most wonderful, who makest nothing in vain and lovest all that thou hast made: Comfort thou thy servants, whose hearts are sore smitten and oppressed; and grant that they may so love and serve thee in this life, that they may obtain the fulness of thy promises in the world to come; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Christmas 1 - God of promise you renew your gift to those whose faces are lined and whose hearts are filled by the passage of years: help us, with Simeon and Anna, to see beyond the surface the face and heart of God in Jesus Christ, the given Child. **Amen.**

Epiphany - Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, so that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful Father, we beseech thee to send down thy heavenly blessing upon thy Church in this Parish, that all its members may dwell together in unity and love. Keep far from us all self-will and discord. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness, and enable them faithfully to dispense thy holy Word and Sacraments, to bring again the outcasts, and to seek the lost. Grant that we may so receive their ministrations, and use thy means of grace, that in all our words and deeds we may seek thy glory and the advancement of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

O God, Most High and Holy, Three in One, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: We offer to thee this day Ourselves, our souls and bodies, To be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; To whom be all praise and glory. **Amen**

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen**