

OUR HYMNS TODAY

First Hymn 332

I the Lord of sea and sky

Second Hymn 684

Thou whose almighty word

Third Hymn 184

For the beauty of the earth

During which a collection will be taken

Fourth Hymn 74

Blessed assurance

Organist: Alessandro Bianchi; PRELUDE: Arcangelo Corelli (Largo); EUCHARIST: Paul Manz (Hymn Improvisation "Jesus Lead Thou on"); POSTLUDE: William Greene (Hymn "Morning has broken")

No Sunday School today, but come and join us on Saturday 4 Feb in Casa Benson 10:30 to prepare our Christingle Oranges



for next week's
**Family Candlemas
Eucharist**

(The Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple)

Tuesday January 31st at 7 p.m.
Please pray for the Church Council
as we meet in Casa Benson.

Saturday February 4th from 10 a.m.
Please pray for the Archdeaconry Synod
as they meet on Zoom

Do stay for refreshments and fellowship
after the service today and please take your
pew sheet home with you 😊



Veronese: The Marriage at Cana

Wednesday 1st February
S John Bosco
10:30am midweek service as usual



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29th January 2023

**SUNG EUCHARIST
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**



Collect: God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

**A Reading from the First Book of Kings
Chapter 17, 8-16**

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 'Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.' So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, 'Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.' As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, 'Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.' But she said, 'As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.' Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.' She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 36, v5-10

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens and your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness stands like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you, Lord, shall save both man and beast.

How precious is your loving mercy, O God! All mortal flesh shall take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

They shall be satisfied with the abundance of your house; they shall drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the well of life and in your light shall we see light.

O continue your loving-kindness to those who know you and your righteousness to those who are true of heart.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever more Amen

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, Chapter 1, v18-end

For 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. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world,

things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

The Gospel of St John, Chapter 2, v1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Post Communion Prayer:

Generous Lord, in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**