



# St. Cyprian's Church Link

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
Epiphany 3

## Collect of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, behold us in our weakness: and stretch out your hands to protect us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

## Hymns for today \* =*The Source Hymnal*

Opening	125	O for a thousand tongues to sing
Gradual	312	Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
Offertory	465	God is love and where true love is
Communion	47*	Be still for the presence of the Lord
Closing	335*	Shine, Jesus, Shine

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**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** Bishop Nick Bundock; Scottish Episcopal Church: St Andrew's, Dunkeld and Dunblane (Bishop Ian Paton).  
Digital Engagement Officer (Petko Marinov).  
Holy Trinity, Motherwell; St Andrew's, Wishaw (Chuks Iwuagwu).

**We pray for Christians around the world on this, the last day of the week of prayer for Christian Unity.**

**Those on our prayer list:** For the families of John Arnott, Agnes Rose, and George Carswell; Revs. Les and Lucy Ireland, The search process at St. James the Less in Bishopbriggs; Bill Fergus; Rosa Revell and her sister; Barbara Fairlee, Sheila and Shaunda; Ruth Mitchell; Kennedy Fraser; Duncan Naysmith; Jean Dick; Margaret Conway; Susan Frost; Tom and Lynda; Jean Hindle; Peter Bladon; Helen Kerr; Glennis Tavener; Jean McLean; and those who are named in the Prayer Book at the back of the church.

## Notices

- ❖ **Glasgow City Mission** is kicking off their 200 year celebrations with a **thanksgiving service** at St. Silas' Church in Glasgow **TONIGHT! Sunday, 25 January at 6:30pm**. All are welcome.
- ❖ Lenzie Fairtrade is hosting an evening of music with the **Bearnsden Fiddlers at Lenzie Union on 5 February at 7:30pm**. Tickets are £10 and you can learn about fair trade while you are there.
- ❖ The **Rotary Club of Kirkintilloch** are **collecting cosmetics** to give for the women's refuge. Please pass them on to Glennis who will pass them on to the club.

## First Reading

Isaiah 49: 1 – 7

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.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness-- on them light has shined.

You 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.

For 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.

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Psalm 27: 1, 4-9

I The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold  
of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?  
**4 One thing I asked of the Lord,  
that will I seek after:**  
**to live in the house of the Lord  
all the days of my life,**  
**to behold the beauty of the Lord,  
and to inquire in his temple.**  
**5 For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;**  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will set me high on a rock.  
**6 Now my head is lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;**  
**I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**  
**7 Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud,  
be gracious to me and answer me!**  
**8 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'  
Your face, Lord, do I seek.**  
**9 Do not hide your face from me.  
Do not turn your servant away in anger,  
you who have been my help.  
Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,  
O God of my salvation!**

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. 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.

The Gospel

John 1: 29 - 42

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested,  
he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and  
made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the  
territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what  
had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah  
might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee  
of the Gentiles — 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.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent,  
for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” As  
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 sea—  
for they were fishermen. And he said to them,  
“Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.”  
Immediately they left their nets and followed  
him. As 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.  
Immediately they left the boat and their father,  
and followed him.

Jesus 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

Epistle

1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters,  
by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that  
all of you be in agreement and that there be  
no divisions among you, but that you be  
united in the same mind and the same  
purpose. For it has been reported to me by  
Chloe's people that there are quarrels  
among you, my brothers and sisters. What 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.” Has  
Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for  
you? Or were you baptized in the name of  
Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of  
you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no  
one can say that you were baptized in my  
name. (I did baptize also the household of  
Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know  
whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ

