

## Ministry for this week

**Friday: 11:00am**

**Preacher:** Fr. Jebaraj Devasagayam

**Celebrant:** Fr. Ian Nicholson

**Deacon:** Douglas Kingsley

**Readers:** Flora Oliver and Ikemdinachi Ohiakalusi

**Greeters:** Flora Oliver and Ikemdinachi Ohiakalusi

**Accompanist:** Chindu Kuruvilla

**Chalice:** Randall Rhodes and Jaywant Michael

**Sunday: 7:30pm**

**Preacher:** Fr. Samuel Okechukwude

**Celebrant:** Fr. Samuel Okechukwude

**Readers:**

**Greeters:**

**Accompanist:** Emmanuel Kugbegah

## TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

### First Reading: Malachi 3:1-5

Thus says the Lord, See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

### Psalm 84:1-6

How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

The sparrow has found her a house  
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;

**by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,  
my King and my God.**

Happy are they who dwell in your house!

**they will always be praising you.**

Happy are the people whose strength is in you!  
**whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.**

Those who go through the desolate valley will find  
it a place of springs,

**for the early rains have covered it with pools  
of water.**

They will climb from height to height,  
**and the God of gods will reveal himself in  
Zion.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the  
Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be forever. Amen**

### Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18

Since God's children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

### Gospel Reading: Luke 2:22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;  
for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed-- and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.



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### Service times and Locations:

**Friday 11:00am Anglican Centre –Epiphany Church (English)**

**Friday 17:00pm Anglican Centre**

**Chapel of all Nations (Marathi)**

**Friday 19:00pm Anglican Centre -Epiphany Church (Tamil)**

**Friday 1:00pm Anglican Centre**

**Chapel of all Nations (Igbo)**

**Sunday 19:30pm Anglican Centre**

**Chapel of all Nations (English)**

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Many blessings*

## Presentation of Christ in the Temple Candle Mass 1-3 February 2019

### WELCOME TO YOUR CHURCH

We are glad you came to join with us at the Church of the Epiphany today. We hope that you will know God's love in a way that will renew your life. We hope you'll come again, to join with us in fellowship and to make friends.

### General notices:

#### Our Mission:

To connect in Christ, commit by Christ, and care through the love of Christ. We seek to connect people with Christ and each other by making everyone feel welcome and supported. We commit to show in our lives what we believe in our hearts. We care for each other, our community, and the whole of God's creation.

### How you can bless others at the Church of the Epiphany:

There are many opportunities to be involved in at the Church of Epiphany by serving others. Please speak to Christiana Nwandu peoples'Wardenor mail: pwarden@epiphany-qatar.com

### App prayer chain:

The church has a "Whats APP" prayer group; join the group or send a prayer request through Shammi Michael on email: [michael.shammi@gmail.com](mailto:michael.shammi@gmail.com)

### Feeding the hungry:

It is a tradition of the church that members support those in need. Please bring bulk food stuff with long shelf life. **Food collection is this weekend.**

### Notices for Today:

**Thank you: Cultural Ambassadors and members from India** who provided refreshments last Friday. **Anglican Refreshments team** will be providing refreshments after the service today. **Please join us in Corinth Hall after the service**

### Prayer for our Church ministries and mission

Location: Cry Room, in the Church

Time : 10.30 a.m. – 10.50 a.m.

When : Every first Friday of every month

### After the service today: Invitation for personal prayer

Location: At the Front, Near the piano

Time : 12.30 p.m. – 12.45 p.m.

When : Every first Friday of every month

Come if you would like prayer for yourself or others

**3-10 February:** The Fathers will be attending Synod in Cyprus. Please Pray for the Synod meeting.

### Monday 11 February: Praise and Worship evening

An evening of free-flowing worship songs and hymns.

Time: 6:30pm -7:30pm Venue: Epiphany Church

(Please send us songs you would like all to sing or one you can lead on [secretary@epiphany-qatar.com](mailto:secretary@epiphany-qatar.com);

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All are welcome.