Today's hymns: 260, 360, 513, 241

### **Sunday School**

The children are invited to join Sunday School during the service today.

# **Evening Prayer and Bible study**

Evening Prayer and Bible study take place at All Saints at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday.

### **Heart cushions**

The next sewing session for heart cushions will be at Helen Rensmann's house (Sedanstr. 12, 53173 Bonn, tel. 0228 214412) from 10am on Monday 11 February. You don't need to be an expert at sewing to join in!

# Concert at All Saints on 17 February

The choir, chamber choir, orchestra and jazz band of Halliford School from Shepperton, near London, will be performing at All Saints on Sunday 17 February (5pm). The orchestra will play excerpts of Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*, Tchaikovsky's *1812 Overture* and film music (*The Pirates of the Caribbean*). The jazz band will play amongst others the standard *La Mer*. The choir will sing music from Mozart to Duke Ellington. Free entry; retiring collection.

# Singing group in Bonn

The next informal sing-along will be on Wednesday 27 February. We meet in the basement at St. Paulus church at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

# A message from the treasurer

The "Spendenbescheinigungen" (donation receipts for income tax purposes) for 2018 have all been sent out. If you have not yet received one or have any queries/questions, please contact Carol Ann Pereira.

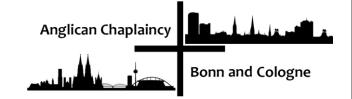
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### Electoral roll

Church regulations require a new electoral roll to be established every six years. 2019 being the sixth year, everyone who wishes to vote at the AGM must re-register for the new electoral roll. Forms are available in Bonn from Jean Hauptfleisch and in Cologne from Ranti Hendricks.

Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details. Any data you give us will be kept securely by the church authorities and in no case given to any third parties.

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#### **WELCOME**

Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time. Refreshments will be served after the service. We hope you might stay and introduce yourself.

# Sunday 3 February 2019 Presentation of Christ in the Temple

President: Revd Richard Gardiner Preacher: Revd Michael Bullock

#### Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

# Old Testament reading – Malachi 3.1-5 The Coming Messenger

Thus says the Lord God: <sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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;

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<sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. <sup>5</sup>Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

### Psalm 24.7-10

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, you everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

'Who is the King of glory?'
'The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.'

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, you everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

'Who is this King of glory?'
'The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.'

# New Testament reading – Hebrews 2.14-18 The Sacrifice of Atonement

<sup>14</sup>Since the 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, <sup>15</sup>and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. <sup>16</sup>For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>18</sup>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 Jesus is Presented in the Temple

<sup>22</sup>When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), <sup>24</sup>and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

<sup>25</sup>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. <sup>26</sup>It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. <sup>27</sup>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, <sup>28</sup>Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, <sup>29</sup>Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,

according to your word;
<sup>30</sup>for my eyes have seen your salvation,

<sup>31</sup>which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

<sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

<sup>33</sup>And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. <sup>34</sup>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 <sup>35</sup>so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed — and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

<sup>36</sup>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 for seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup>then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>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.

<sup>39</sup>When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

# **Post Communion prayer**

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.