

in Germany where they were kept in gold reliquary. It can still be seen today.



The shrine was opened in 1864 and, according to an eyewitness account, was found to contain 'numerous bones of three persons, which under the guidance of several present experts could be assembled into nearly complete bodies: the one in his early youth, the second in his early manhood, the third was rather aged.'

Whatever the origin of these remains, the shrine attracts a stream of pilgrims each year, and the Epiphany marks a turning point in the history of Christianity.

Dates for 2019

6 March	Ash Wednesday
31 March	Lent 4/Mothering Sunday
14 April	Palm Sunday
19 April	Good Friday
21 April	Easter Day
30 May	Ascension Day
23 June	Birth of St John the Baptist (Patronal Festival of the Chapel)

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THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL *of the SAVOY*

Chapel of the Royal Victorian Order
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CALENDAR for JANUARY 2019

Sunday 6 January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

11am Sung Eucharist

Introit	Omnes de saba venient (Asola)
Setting	Byrd in Three Parts
Hymns	48, 49, 47
Readings	Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12
Psalm	72:12-7 and 10-14
Sermon	The Chaplain

Sunday 13 January THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

11am Matins

Introit	From the rising of the Sun (Ouseley)
Responses	Hamilton
Psalm	36:5-10
Te Deum	Bromley-Derry

Anthem	Gloria (Vivaldi)
Hymns	57, 55, 420
Readings	1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11
Sermon	The Chaplain

NOTICES

The Chapel will close for the post-Christmas holiday after the Eucharist on Christmas Day, and reopens on Thursday 3 January.

THE EPIPHANY

The Feast of the Epiphany (6 January) falls on a Sunday in 2019.

'Epiphany' derives from the Greek word 'epiphainein', meaning 'reveal', and is used in the Christian calendar as the title of the feast day that commemorates the arrival of the wise men



at Bethlehem. The event marked the beginning of the spread of Christianity beyond the borders of Judaism to the Gentile world. The arrival and adoration of these nameless mysterious gift-bearing strangers from the east point towards the development of Christianity as a universal religion no longer linked by race or geography. We know next to nothing about the wise men. Neither their names, nor their professions nor their country of origin are mentioned in the gospels.

It was the early Christian author Tertullian (c.160–c.230) who described them as 'feres reges' (almost kings) – probably derived from the costliness of their gifts – and inferred that they were three in number because of the number of the gifts. Their traditional names – Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar – are no earlier than the seventh century. These names are enshrined in the well-known carol 'We three kings of orient are', written in 1857 by the American priest John Henry Hopkins (1820-1891) for a Christmas pageant at the General Theological Seminary in New York City. A sixth century Syrian text names the three men as Hormizdah, Yazdegerd and Perozadh.

Later legends recount that the relics of these strangers from the east were found by the Empress Helena (c.250-c.330), mother of Emperor Constantine the Great (reigned 306-337). The emperor gave his mother unlimited access to the imperial treasury in order to locate relics of Judeo-Christian tradition. Helena undertook a trip to Palestine in 326-328 and returned with a number of relics including what she believed to be remains of the wise men. They were eventually given to the Cathedral Church of St Peter, at Cologne

Sunday 20 January

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

11am Sung Eucharist

Introit	King Herod and the Cock (Walton)
Setting	Darke in F
Hymns	360, 425, 56
Readings	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21
Psalm	19
Sermon	The Chaplain

Sunday 27 January

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

11am Matins

Introit	O come ye servants of the Lord (Tye)
Responses	Neary
Psalm	71:1-6
Te Deum	Vaughan Williams in G
Anthem	When Jesus our Lord was born (Mendelssohn)
Hymns	257, 52, 430
Readings	1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Luke 4:21-30
Sermon	The Chaplain
