

All Saints Margaret Street

Fourth Sunday of Advent 2021 **Evensong & Benediction, 3pm**

Please do take this leaflet away with you.

EVENSONG

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's Name be praised.

PROPER PSALM: 135

O PRAISE the Lord, laud ye the Name of the Lord :
praise it, O ye servants of the Lord;

Ye that stand in the house of the Lord : in the courts of
the house of our God.

O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious : O sing
praises unto his Name, for it is lovely.

For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself :
and Israel for his own possession.

For I know that the Lord is great : and that our Lord is
above all gods.

Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven
and in earth : and in the sea, and in all deep places.

He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the
world : and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain,
bringing the winds out of his treasures.

He smote the first-born of Egypt : both of man and
beast.

He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of
thee, O thou land of Egypt : upon Pharaoh, and all
his servants.

He smote divers nations : and slew mighty kings;
Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan :
and all the kingdoms of Canaan;

And gave their land to be an heritage : even an heritage
unto Israel his people.

Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever : so doth thy
memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.

For the Lord will avenge his people : and be gracious
unto his servants.

As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver
and gold : the work of men's hands.

They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, but
they see not.

They have ears, and yet they hear not : neither is there
any breath in their mouths.

They that make them are like unto them : and so are all
they that put their trust in them.

Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel : praise the Lord, ye
house of Aaron.

Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi : ye that fear the Lord,
praise the Lord.

Praised be the Lord out of Sion : who dwelleth at
Jerusalem.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: *Isaiah 46.3-13*

OFFICE HYMN: *19 Come thou redeemer of the earth*

MAGNIFICAT: *Service in A* Sumsion (1899-1995)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: *Romans 12.1-8*

NUNC DIMITTIS: Sumsion

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God

the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth:

and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the Life everlasting.
Amen.

RESPONSES

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
who in the birth of thy Son
hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate
Word
and revealed to us the fullness of thy love:
help us so to walk in his light and dwell in his love
that we may know the fullness of his joy;
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE COLLECTS FOR EVENING PRAYER and THE CONCLUSION

ANTHEM

The Shepherd's Farewell

Berlioz (1803-1869)

Thou must leave thy lowly dwelling,
the humble crib, the stable bare.
Babe, all mortal babes excelling,
content our earthly lot to share.
Loving father, loving mother,
shelter thee with tender care!

Blessed Jesus, we implore thee,
with humble love and holy fear.
In the land that lies before thee,
forget not us who linger here!
May the shepherd's lowly calling,
ever to thy heart be dear!

Blest are ye beyond all measure,
thou happy father, mother mild!
Guard ye well your heavenly treasure,
the Prince of Peace, the Holy Child!
God go with you, God protect you,
guide you safely through the wild!

Berlioz, trans Paul England

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

O SALUTARIS: English trad., arr. Vaughan Williams

Blessed, praised and hallowed
**be Jesus Christ upon His Throne of Glory
and in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. [3 times]**

To us a child is born, to us a son is given; let us pray for the people he came to save.

Wonderful Counsellor, you order all things with your wisdom: help the Church to reveal the mystery of your love and fill her with the Spirit of truth: **Lord, have mercy.**

Mighty God, the government is on your shoulders: guide the leaders of the nations and bring in your kingdom of justice and righteousness: **Lord, have mercy.**

Everlasting Father, you call us to live together in unity: protect by your mercy all your children, bless our families and renew our communities: **Lord, have mercy.**

Prince of Peace, you bring reconciliation through the cross: by your healing power give to all who suffer your gift of wholeness and peace: **Lord, have mercy.**

Let us commend the world, to which Christ came, to the mercy and protection of God.

Silence

A Prayer for the New Year

Lord Christ, Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, whose years never fail; may we so pass through the coming year with faithful hearts, that in all things we may please you and reflect your glory; for you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Mozarabic Sacramentary

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Have mercy on us. [3 times]

TANTUM ERGO

Alain

Thou gavest them bread from heaven.
Containing within itself all sweetness.

Let us pray.

O God, who in a wonderful sacrament
hast left unto us a memorial of thy Passion:
grant us, we beseech thee,
so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood,
that we may evermore perceive within ourselves
the fruits of thy redemption;
who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost,
ever one God, world without end.
Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people in silence with the Blessed Sacrament.

The Celebrant leads the Divine Praises, repeated by the congregation:

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her spouse most chaste.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

*While the Blessed Sacrament is replaced in the tabernacle,
Psalm 117 is sung:*

Let us adore, for ever, the most holy Sacrament.

O praise the Lord, all ye heathen : praise him, all ye nations.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Let us adore, for ever, the most holy Sacrament.

VOLUNTARY

Es ist ein Ros entsprungen

Brahms (1833-97)