

All Saints Margaret Street

MASS PROPERS

Christmas Eve 2020

SETTING OF THE MASS *Jugendmesse* Haydn (1732-1809)

This service is live streamed on [YouTube](#).

The mass setting is in Latin. English translations are provided.

ANGELUS (*Memorial of the Incarnation*) is sung:

The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary.

And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.

ENTRANCE CHANT

Today you will know that the Lord will come, and he will save us, and in the morning you will see his glory.

The Lord's are the earth and its fullness, the world and those who dwell in it.

This is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your gates, O you princes, and be lifted up, O eternal portals, that the King of Glory may enter in.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against thee
and against our neighbour,
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life
to the glory of thy name.
Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON *is sung by the choir.*

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *is sung by the Choir:*

Glory be to God on high,

and in earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ:

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

COLLECT

Almighty God,

who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance

of the birth of thy only Son Jesus Christ:

grant that, as we joyfully receive him as our redeemer,

so we may with sure confidence behold him

when he shall come to be our judge;

who liveth and reigneth with thee

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62.1-5

A reading from the book of Isaiah

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.

The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married.

For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 96

O SING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.

For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.

Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.
Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth : and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

SECOND READING: Acts 13.16-17, 22-25

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

So Paul stood up and with a gesture began to speak: 'You Israelites, and others who fear God, listen.

The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and made the people great during their stay in the land of Egypt, and with uplifted arm he led them out of it.

Then he made David their king. In his testimony about him he said, "I have found David, son of Jesse, to be a man after my heart, who will carry out all my wishes."

Of this man's posterity God has brought to Israel a Saviour, Jesus, as he promised; before his coming John had already proclaimed a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel.

And as John was finishing his work, he said, "What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. No, but one is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of the sandals on his feet."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Tomorrow there will be an end to the sin of the world
And the saviour of the world will be our king.

GOSPEL: *Matthew 1.18-end*

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way.
When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly.

But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'

All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.'

When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife,

but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON

Fr Julian Browning

THE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic

Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with thy spirit.

OFFERTORY MOTET

Victoria (1548-1611)

O magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum jacentem in praesepe.

O beata Virgo, cuius viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Jesum Christum. Alleluia.

O great mystery and wonderful sacrament, that beasts should see the new-born Lord lying in a manger. O blessed virgin, whose body was worthy to bear the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia.

Pray, my brothers and sisters,

that this, our sacrifice,

may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands

for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

THE PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Lord, make our hearts more ready
to observe this solemn vigil,
for thou teachest us to see in these mysteries
the beginning of our redemption.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
It is meet and right so to do.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *are sung by the choir:*
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory,
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

... O Father Almighty, world without end.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

AGNUS DEI *is sung by the choir.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

During the Agnus Dei, the priest says:

Behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy
that thou shouldest come under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh will see the
salvation of our God.

COMMUNION HYMN: 35 *Silent Night*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

O Lord,
by whose heavenly mystery we receive both food and drink,
grant, we pray, that celebrating the Nativity of thine only

begotten Son,
we may draw new vigour from him
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE BLESSING

FINAL HYMN: 30 *O come, all ye faithful*

verses 1&2

BLESSING OF THE CRIB

Almighty God, who in the Incarnation of your Son
has revealed to us the holiness of creation,
be pleased to bless and hallow this image of his sacred birth,
so that those who gaze upon it may behold this mystery,
whereby humanity shares in your very nature;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

FINAL HYMN: 30 *O come, all ye faithful*

verses 5&6

VOLUNTARY: *In dulci jubilo* BWV 729

Bach (1685-1750)