

All Saints Margaret Street

MASS PROPERS

Fourth Sunday of Lent 2021

SETTING OF THE MASS

Plainchant

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

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

ENTRANCE CHANT

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.

Be joyful, all who were in mourning;

exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

I rejoiced at the things that were said to me : We will go up to the Lord's house.

And now our feet are standing within your courts, O Jerusalem.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem, may they prosper, all those who love you.

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 omitted during Lent.*

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech thee,
absolve thy people from their offences,
that through thy bountiful goodness
we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins
which by our frailty we have committed;
grant this, O heavenly Father,
for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING: Numbers 21.4-9

A reading from the book Numbers

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way.

The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.'

Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died.

The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people.

And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.'

So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107.1-9

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed : and delivered from the hand of the enemy;

And gathered them out of the lands, from the east and from the west : from the north and from the south.

They went astray in the wilderness out of the way : and found no city to dwell in;

Hungry and thirsty : their soul fainted in them.

So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : and he delivered them from their distress.

He led them forth by the right way : that they might go to the city where they dwelt.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

For he satisfieth the empty soul : and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2.1-10

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Ephesians

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient.

All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else.

But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ - by grace you have been saved - and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus.

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God – not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son:
everyone who believes in him has eternal life.

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL: *John 3.14-21*

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

‘Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil.

For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed.

But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON

Fr Michael Bowie

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

Tomkins (1572-1656)

My shepherd is the living Lord,
nothing therefore I need,
in pastures fair with waters calm
he sets me for to feed,
he did convert and glad my soul
and brought my mind in frame
to walk in paths of righteousness
for his most holy name.
Through all my life thy favour
is so frankly shewed to me
that in thy house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.
Amen.

Psalm 23

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

We place before you with joy these offerings,
which bring eternal remedy, O Lord,
praying that we may both faithfully revere them
and present them to you, as is fitting,
for the salvation of all the world.

Through 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

Jesus Christ is Lord:

O Saviour of the world,

who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us,

save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

... 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.

After 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

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together.

It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
to praise the name of the Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN:

184 *Shall we not love thee, Mother dear*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God,
whose blessed Son our Saviour
gave his back to the smiters
and hid not his face from shame:
give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time
with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

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.

VOLUNTARY: *Prelude Op. 101 no 6*

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