

# All Saints Margaret Street

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## MASS PROPERS

### Christmas Day 2021

#### SETTING OF THE MASS

*Missa Brevis in D K194*

Mozart (1756-91)

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*The choir enters; the organ plays. Please stand when **the bell rings**.*

*The choir sings the entrance chant.*

#### 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 hast given us thy only-begotten Son

to take our nature upon him

and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin:

grant that we, being regenerate

and made thy children by adoption and grace,

may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit,

now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 52.7-10

A reading from the book of Isaiah

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 98**

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is: the round world,  
and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together  
before the Lord : for he is come to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with  
equity.

## **SECOND READING** Hebrews 1.4b-8

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by  
the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son,  
whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also  
created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact  
imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his  
powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat  
down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as  
much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more  
excellent than theirs.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

A hallowed day has dawned upon us.

Come, you nations, worship the Lord, for today a great light has  
shone down upon the earth.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL** *John 1.1-14*

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.**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Fr Michael Bowie

**THE CREED** *p562 in the hymnal*

Merbecke

## THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

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

Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The blessed son of God only  
In a crib full poor did lie;  
With our poor flesh and our poor blood  
Was clothed that everlasting good.  
Kyrie eleison.

The Lord Christ Jesu, God's son dear,  
Was a guest and a stranger here;  
Us for to bring from misery,  
That we might live eternally.  
Kyrie eleison.

All this did he for us freely,  
For to declare his great mercy;  
All Christendom be merry therefore,  
And give him thanks for evermore.  
Kyrie eleison.

Miles Coverdale (1488-1569), after Martin Luther

Pray, my brothers and sisters,  
that my sacrifice and yours  
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**

Make acceptable, O Lord, our oblation on this solemn day,  
when you manifested the reconciliation  
that makes us wholly pleasing in your sight  
and inaugurated for us the fullness of divine worship.  
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*

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



As our Saviour Christ has com-mand-ed and taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Fa-ther who art in heav-en, hal-low-ed be thy Name, thy king-dom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our dail-y bread,

And for-give us our tres-pass-es, as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us.

And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-li-ver us from e-vil.

For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry; for e-ver and e-ver. A-men.

*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 shouldst come under my roof,  
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

*The choir sings the communion antiphon.*

*Please use either of the **two** communion stations.*

*Gluten-free hosts are available at the Lady Altar station.*

## **COMMUNION HYMN 32 O little town of Bethlehem**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Grant, O merciful God,  
that, just as the Saviour of the world, born this day,  
is the author of divine generation for us,  
so he may be the giver even of immortality.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

### **THE BLESSING**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

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

### **FINAL HYMN**

**26 Hark! The herald angels sing** (*v3 descant – Willcocks*)

**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** *Radetsky March*

J. Strauss (1804-1849)

