

# All Saints' Margaret Street

## High Mass

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

27<sup>th</sup> August, 2023, 11am

*The Mass is sung today to the Missa Princeps Pacis by William Lloyd Webber (1914-82)*

*The choir sings THE INTROIT:*  
Inclina, Domine, aurem tuam

### THE INTRODUCTION & GREETING

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.**

### THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

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	Lord, have mercy
Christe eleison	Christ, have mercy
Kyrie eleison	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, Jesus 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.

### THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE FIRST READING:** Isaiah 51.1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and

my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

This is the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 138** *is sung by the choir*

1. I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

2. I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.

3. When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.

4. All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

5. Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : that great is the glory of the Lord.

6. For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

7. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

8. The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

**THE SECOND READING:** Romans 12.1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. 2Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of

God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; 8the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

This is the word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before thee.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL:** Matthew 16.13-20

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 when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates

of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**THE SERMON** Fr. Alan Rimmer

*All sing* **THE CREED**

*Text and music are found on p.562 of the hymnal*

**THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The response is:*

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The prayer concludes:* Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

**THE OFFERTORY**

*Please note that a collection is raised after the service, rather than at this point.*

*The choir sings* **THE MOTET:**

C.V. Stanford (1852-1924),

O, for a closer walk with God

O for a closer walk with God,  
A calm and heavenly frame;  
A light to shine upon the road  
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy dove, return,  
Sweet messenger of rest;  
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,  
And drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,  
Calm and serene my frame;  
So purer light shall mark the road  
That leads me to the Lamb.

*(William Cowper, 1731-1800)*

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.**

Regard, O Lord, we pray thee, this our bounden duty and service; that this sacrifice may be an oblation acceptable unto thee; and effectually avail for the succour of our frailty; 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.**

*The preface continues.*

**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.

*The canon continues.*

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

*The canon concludes:* O Father Almighty,  
world without end. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*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.

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 CHANT:*

Qui manducat carnem meam

*Holy Communion is received at either of the two stations. Gluten-free hosts are available at the Lady Altar station. Those with mobility issues are advised to use the Lady Altar station.*

*All sing THE COMMUNION HYMN:*

**445 Rock of ages cleft for me**

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful God, who in this holy sacrament hast put away our sins and given us thy healing; grant that as we are made whole in Christ, so we may bring thy healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**THE BLESSING, to which all respond: Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

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

*All sing THE FINAL HYMN:*

**484 The church's one foundation**

*All sing THE ANGELUS:*

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...

**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...

**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:** Maurice Duruflé (1902-86),  
Fugue sur le thème du carillon des heures de  
la cathédrale de Soissons

*A retiring collection is raised. Please make donations in the collection plate or tap your debit or credit card on the machine.*

*The bar will open at 12.30 for one hour, for members and their guests. New members are welcome.*