

All Saints' Margaret Street

Evensong & Benediction

Eve of All Saints'

31st October, 2024, 6.30pm

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.**

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.**

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.**

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

**That we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ.**

To the collect, all reply: Amen.

EVENSONG, according to the 1662 BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

THE PRECES

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.

PSALMODY 1 & 5 (*Prayer Book, p. 144, 146*)

FIRST LESSON Ecclesiasticus 44.1-15

OFFICE HYMN



1. Father, in whom thy saints are one,
Bought by the blood of thy dear Son,
We praise thee for thy hallowing grace
In those who now behold thy face.

2. For they have gained eternal rest,
And in the heavenly mansions blest
They dwell among the angelic throng,
And hear the one unending song.

3. The patriarchs and prophets old
The heavenly splendour now behold;
The Baptist, herald of thy Son,
Enjoys the fruit of labour done.

4. But first among the saintly band,
The Mother, at her Son's right hand,
Adores the Saviour's endless love,
In that eternal home above.

5. The Twelve now see the Father's face,
While all who've run their earthly race
In one glad company rejoice
To hear the heavenly bridegroom's voice.

6. Father of all, to thee we pray,
Keep us for ever in the way
That leads us to the heavenly rest
Among the glories of the blest.

7. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
All worship, love and honour be,
Both now and in eternity. Amen.

MAGNIFICAT

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden. For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

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.

Evening Service in D
George Dyson, 1883-1964

SECOND LESSON Revelation 19.6-10

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation; Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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.

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.

THE LESSER LITANY & COLLECTS

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

O almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through 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.**

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness;

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Glorious in Heaven are the souls of all saints who walked in the way of Christ the Lord Jesus: they loved him and followed his footsteps: and as they died for the saviour, losing life for his sake, they reign with him for ever. Amen.

Percy Whitlock, 1906-1946

At the bell, all kneel.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

O saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below;
Our foes press hard on every side,
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore, blest One in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end,
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

William Lloyd Webber, 1914-1982

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

[Three times]

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, we are encouraged to run steadily in the race we have begun. Let us pray to Christ, for he is the author of our faith, and he will bring it to fulfilment:

With all the saints we praise and thank you, Lord.

Lord, you chose the apostles to be the foundation of your Church: keep us faithful to all that you left in their care.

With all the saints we praise and thank you, Lord.

Your martyrs testified to you, even to the shedding of their blood: make all Christians faithful witnesses to your word.

With all the saints we praise and thank you, Lord.

Lord, be with those who have consecrated their lives to you in virginity: may their hope and generosity be a sign to the world of the glorious life they await at the end of time.

With all the saints we praise and thank you, Lord.

In the saints you reveal your presence and your care: as we venerate them, may we be drawn closer to you.

With all the saints we praise and thank you, Lord.

Welcome our departed brothers and sisters into the company of Mary, Joseph and all the saints: through their intercession, grant us a place in your kingdom.

With all the saints we praise and thank you, Lord.

Lord, we celebrate with joy the triumph of your grace in all the saints. With so vast a multitude praying for us, may we receive from you the fullness of mercy we have always desired.

Silence is kept.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

Have mercy on us. [Three times]

TANTUM ERGO

Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give, and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honour, might, and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing,
Who from both with both is One.
Amen.

William Lloyd Webber, 1914-1982

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.

Benediction is given.

All repeat the Divine Praises after the Celebrant:

**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 returned to the tabernacle, all sing Psalm 117:

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

Apparition de l'église éternelle
Oliver Messiaen, 1908-1992