All Saints' Margaret Street Evensong & Benediction

Second Sunday before Advent

17th November, 2024, 6pm

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.

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 95 (Prayer Book, p. 251)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Daniel 3.13-30

OFFICE HYMN O blest Creator of the light



O blest Creator of the light, Who makest day with radiance bright, And o'er the forming world didst call The light from chaos first of all;

Whose wisdom joined in meet array The morn and eve, and named them Day: Night comes with all its darkling fears; Regard thy people's prayers and tears:

Lest, sunk in sin and whelm'd with strife, They lose the gift of endless life; While, thinking but the thoughts of time, They weave them chains of guilt and crime.

But grant them grace that they may strain The heavenly gate and prize to gain: Each harmful lure aside to cast, And purge away each error past.

O Father, that we ask be done, Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son, Who with the Spirit and with thee Doth live and reign eternally. 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.

Fifth Service

Thomas Tomkins, 1572-1656

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

St Matthew 13.24-30

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 Catholick 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 God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure, that when he shall appear again with power and great glory we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father,

and thee, O Holy Spirit, he liveth and reigneth, 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.

THE ANTHEM by William Mundy, c. 1529-1591

The secret sins that hidden lie
Within my pensive heart
Procure great heaps of bitter thoughts,
And fill my soul with smart.
And yet the more my soul doth seek
Some sweet relief to find,
The more doth sin with vain delights,
Alas, still keep me blind.

Thou see'st, O God, the strifes there are Between my soul and sin;
Thy grace doth work, but sin prevails
And blinds my soul therein.
Wherefore, sweet Christ, thy grace increase,
My faith augment withal,
And for thy tender mercy's sake,
Lord, hear me when I call. Amen.

Anonymous

At the bell, all kneel.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA is sung by the choir 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.

Anerio, c. 1570-1614

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

Lord Jesus, we bless you for your great love which sustains us in good times and in bad: hear us as we pray in your name, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Church throughout the world: save us from self-righteousness and stir us to seek your peace.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the citizens of all nations: quicken our love for the poor and our labours for justice. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who suffer as a result of violence: end their afflictions and rescue them from bitterness.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the young: give them love and help them to grow into the fulness of their humanity. Lord, hear our prayer.

For those grown weary in their responsibilities and relationships: refresh them with your Spirit and renew their hope. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all facing death: uphold them in their hour of distress and welcome them to the joys of eternal life.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, we give you thanks for this day, now drawing to a close. May our prayer, rising before you like incense, be pleasing to you; and may our outstretched hands be filled with your mercy. Silence is kept.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: **Have mercy on us.** [*Three times*]

TANTUM ERGO is sung by the choir 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.

Asola, 1532-1609

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.



Our collection is now taken electronically.

Please donate using the QR code or the card machine at the entrance. 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 reposed, 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

Ballo del Granduca Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck, 1562-1621

