ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET

EPIPHANY III

SOLEMN EVENSONG & BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Sunday 26th January, 2025, 6pm

§ All stand when the sacristy bell rings.

HE 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*...

And the Word was made flesh. And dwelt among us. *Hail Mary*...

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.**

THE PRECES

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 § All sit. Psalm 33, Prayer Book p.175

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Numbers 9.15-23

On the day the tabernacle was set up, the cloud covered the tabernacle, the tent of the covenant; and from evening until morning it was over the tabernacle, having the appearance of fire. It was always so: the cloud covered it by day and the appearance of fire by night. Whenever the cloud lifted from over the tent, then the Israelites would set out; and in the place where the cloud settled down, there the Israelites would camp. At the command of the Lord the Israelites would set out, and at the command of the Lord they would camp. As long as the cloud rested over the tabernacle, they would remain in camp. Even when the cloud continued over the tabernacle for many days, the Israelites would keep the charge of the Lord, and would not set out. Sometimes the cloud would remain for a few days over the tabernacle, and according to the command of the Lord they would remain in camp; then according to the command of the Lord they would set out. Sometimes the cloud would remain from evening until morning; and when the cloud lifted in the morning, they would set out, or if it continued for a day and a night, when the cloud lifted they would set out. Whether it was two days, or a month, or a longer time, that the cloud continued over the tabernacle, resting upon it, the Israelites would remain in camp and would not set out; but when it lifted they would set out. At the command of the Lord they would camp, and at the command of the Lord they would set out. They kept the charge of the Lord, at the command of the Lord by Moses.

OFFICE HYMN § All stand.

O Trinity of blessed light, O Unity of primal might, The fiery sun now goes his way, Shed thou within our hearts thy ray.

To thee our morning song of praise, To thee our evening hymn we raise, Thy glory, suppliant, we adore For ever and for evermore.

O Trinity, O Unity, Thou help of man's infirmity, Protect us through the hours of night,

Who art our everlasting light.

To God the Father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, Three in One; Let glory, praise, and worship be From age to age eternally. Amen.

MAGNIFICAT Prayer book p.19

Second Service William Byrd, 1540-1623

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON § *All sit.* 1 Corinthians 7.17-24

However that may be, let each of you lead the life that the Lord has assigned, to which God called you. This is my rule in all the churches. Was anyone at the time of his call already circumcised? Let him not seek to remove the marks of circumcision. Was anyone at the time of his call uncircumcised? Let him not seek circumcision. Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing; but obeying the commandments of God is everything. Let each of you remain in the condition in which you were called. Were you a slave when called? Do not be concerned about it. Even if you can gain your freedom, make use of your present condition now more than ever. For whoever was called in the Lord as a slave is a freed person belonging to the Lord, just as whoever was free when called is a slave of Christ. You were bought with a price; do not become slaves of human masters. In whatever condition you were called, brothers and sisters, there remain with God.

NUNC DIMITTIS Prayer book p.20

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.

RESPONSES & COLLECTS

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

§ All kneel.

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.

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of thy saving presence: renew thy people with thy heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by thy mighty power; 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.**

§ The Second and Third Collects are found on p.22 of the Prayer Book.

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Christe qui lux es et dies, noctis tenebras detegis, lucisque lumen crederis, lumen beatum praedicans.

Precamur, Sancte Domine, defende nos in hac nocte, sit nobis in te requies, quietam noctem tribue.

Ne gravis somnus irruat, nec hostis nos surripiat, nec caro illi consentiens, nos tibi reos statuat.

Oculi somnum capiant, cor ad te semper vigilet,

dextera tua protegat famulos qui te diligunt.

Defensor noster aspice, insidiantes reprime, guberna tuos famulos, quos sanguine mercatus es.

Memento nostri, Domine, in gravi isto corpore, qui es defensor animae, adesto nobis Domine.

Deo Patri sit gloria, eiusque soli Filio, cum Spiritu Paraclito, et nunc et in perpetuum. Amen.

O Christ who art the light and day, Thou drivest darksome night away; We know thee as the Light of light, Illuminating mortal sight.

All-holy Lord, we pray to Thee, Keep us tonight from danger free. Grant us, dear Lord, in Thee to rest, So be our sleep in quiet blest.

Let not the tempter round us creep, With thoughts of evil while we sleep. Nor with his wiles the flesh allure, And make us in thy sight impure.

And while the eyes soft slumber take, Still be the heart to thee awake, Be thy right hand upheld above Thy servants resting in Thy love.

Yea, our Defender, be Thou nigh To bid the powers of darkness fly, Keep us from sin, and guide for good Thy servants purchased by thy blood.

Remember us, dear Lord, we pray, While in this mortal flesh we stay; 'Tis Thou who dost the soul defend, Be present with us to the end.

All praise to God the Father be, All praise, eternal Son, to thee. Whom with the Spirit we adore, For ever and for evermore. Amen.

Office hymn for Compline **Christe qui lux es et dies à 4** William Byrd, 1540-1623

§ All kneel as the bell rings and the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar.

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.

Jacob Handl, 1550-1591

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

R. Lord, keep us in your love.

§ 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.

Claudio Monteverdi, 1567-1643

Thou gavest them bread from heaven. **Containing within itself all sweetness.**

§ Benediction is given.

§ All repeat the Divine Praises:

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.

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.

§ All stand when the bell rings.

Let us adore, for ever, the most holy Sacrament.

VOLUNTARY

Fugue à 5 *from* A solus ortus Nicholas de Grigny, 1672-1703

Welcome to All Saints', Margaret Street. Please join us in the Parish Bar after the liturgy.



Collection is taken using the card reader at the back of church, or using this QR code. *Thank you!*

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET PARISH NOTICES

Music Sponsorship

We have begun our annual campaign for sponsorship of music at our liturgies. If you feel able to contribute, be in touch with the Parish Office. More information in the weekly email.

The flowers this week are given by **Francis Davis** in memory of his mother **Barbara**, whose anniversary of death falls on Candlemas.

If you would like to have flowers put in church to mark a special occasion or if you would like to make a contribution to the flowers or sponsor an arrangement for the Altar of Repose on Maundy Thursday and for Easter, please contact Shawn directly or via the office.

Confirmation Classes

Please be in touch with the clergy with the parish office if you would like to be confirmed and/or baptized. Our confirmation will take place on Sunday 18th May and is preceded by a course of confirmation starting in February.

Upcoming Parish Trips

British Museum: "Silk Roads"

Friday 7th February, 6pm. We're grateful to have 15 free tickets for this exhibition. They will be apportioned on a "first come; first served" basis. There will be the option of dinner at *Le Beaujolais* restaurant. The 3 course dinner is £55 per head with parishioners paying for their own drinks.

Both booked via Eventbrite link in the Parish Weekly Email and on the Parish website.

All Saints' Club members are reminded that subscription renewals are due as from 1st January, 2025. Price £5. New members welcome!

Homeless Shelter

If you'd like to help staff our next night at the American Church's cold weather shelter, speak to Fr Alan. More details in the parish email and on the website.

The clergy can be contacted through the Parish Office: 020 7636 1788; office@asms.uk

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 27th January Feria Tuesday 28th January St Thomas Aquinas Wednesday 29th January Feria

Thursday 30th January Charles I, K.M. Friday 31st January St John Bosco Saturday 1st February Our Lady on Saturday Sunday 2nd February CANDLEMAS 12 noon; 6.30pm 12 noon; 6.30pm 12 noon; 5.30pm *Holy Hour*; 6.30pm 12 noon High Mass; 6.30pm 12 noon; 6.30pm 12 noon Low Mass 6pm *Confessions;* 6.30pm Vigil Mass 8.30am Low Mass 11am High Mass 5.15pm Low Mass 6pm *Candlemas Carol Service*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street:

26th - Thomas Moller, Michael Mortensen, Barry Moore, Deacon Christopher Morash, Grace Morgan, Dr John Morrell, Fr Stephen Morris, Inger Mosbery, Lachlan Moyle, Carol Mundell; 27th - Christopher Naylor, Brian Newman, Barry Newsome, Elaine Norman, Richard North, Fr Paul Ockford; 28th – Fr Peter and Anna Oesterby-Joergensen, Daniel Oliver, Fr Barry Orford, Nicholas Page, Samantha Parker, Malcolm Parr, Bhaven Patel, Alma Pearson, Gladys Pearson; 29th - Pat Philips, Dr Colin Podmore, Nick and Cecilia Powell, Johann Powell, Susan Prain, Vasileios Psomas, Simon Rainey, Heikki Repo; 30th - The Sisters of All Saints; 31st - Friends of All Saints' in need; 1st - Carlos Remotti-Breton, Dr Steve Rice, John Rick, Fr Peter Roberts, Hilary Rodger;

The sick: Karan Bilimoria, Zara Bilimoria, David Craig, Tony Hawkins, Fr Harry Hodgetts, Michael Lamprell, Dorothea Liebe-Kreutzner, Elizabeth Lyon, James Rodger

The recently departed: Joan Cooper, Fr Tony Coulson, Jack de Gruiter *and for* those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time:

26th - Noel Campion, Frederic Hood Pr, Oswald Rodger, David Peschek, David Webb; 27th - Walter Vale, Annie Taylor, Alice Savage, Jane Wildash; 28th - Annie Benniston, Vera Martin, John Brackley, Barbara Niemyska; 29th - George Flack, Norah Lawrence; 30th - Doris Foster, Judith Pulteney, Florence Akers; 31st - Leonard Forsyth, Reginald Oxley, Jean Phillips; 1st - Sarah Hutchinson, John Rose, John Pollard, Richard Vann;