

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

SOLEMN EVENSONG & BENEDICTION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT *Sunday 16th March, 2025, 6pm*

§ *All stand when the sacristy bell rings.*

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...*

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

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 § *All sit.*

Psalm 135, *Prayer Book p.298*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 22.1-9, 13-17

Thus says the Lord: Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word, and say: Hear the word of the Lord, O King of Judah sitting on the throne of David—you, and your servants, and your people who enter these gates. Thus says the Lord: Act with justice and righteousness, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor anyone who has

been robbed. And do no wrong or violence to the alien, the orphan, and the widow, nor shed innocent blood in this place. For if you will indeed obey this word, then through the gates of this house shall enter kings who sit on the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their servants, and their people. But if you will not heed these words, I swear by myself, says the Lord, that this house shall become a desolation. For thus says the Lord concerning the house of the king of Judah: You are like Gilead to me, like the summit of Lebanon; but I swear that I will make you a desert, an uninhabited city. I will prepare destroyers against you, all with their weapons; they shall cut down your choicest cedars and cast them into the fire. And many nations will pass by this city, and all of them will say one to another, 'Why has the Lord dealt in this way with that great city?' And they will answer, 'Because they abandoned the covenant of the Lord their God, and worshipped other gods and served them.' Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness, and his upper rooms by injustice; who makes his neighbours work for nothing, and does not give them their wages; who says, 'I will build myself a spacious house with large upper rooms', and who cuts out windows for it, panelling it with cedar, and painting it with vermilion. Are you a king because you compete in cedar? Did not your father eat and drink and do justice and righteousness? Then it was well with

him. He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Is not this to know me? says the Lord. But your eyes and heart are only on your dishonest gain, for shedding innocent blood, and for practising oppression and violence.

OFFICE HYMN § *All stand.*



O kind Creator, bend thine ear
**To mark the cry, to know the tear
Before thy throne of mercy spent
In this thy holy fast of Lent.**

Our hearts are open, Lord, to thee:
Thou knowest our infirmity;
Pour out on all who seek thy face
Abundance of thy pardoning grace.

**Our sins are many, this we know;
Spare us, good Lord, thy mercy
show;**

**And for the honour of thy name
Our fainting souls to life reclaim.**

Give us the self-control that springs
From discipline of outward things,
That fasting inward secretly
The soul may purely dwell with thee.

**We pray thee, holy Trinity,
One God, unchanging Unity,
That we from this our abstinence
May reap the fruits of penitence.
Amen.**

MAGNIFICAT *Prayer book p.19*

Dorian Service

Thomas Tallis, 1505-1585

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON § *All sit.*

Luke 14.27-33

Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

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, who seest that we have
no power of ourselves to help
ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in
our bodies, and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all
adversities which may happen to the
body, and from all evil thoughts which
may assault and hurt the soul. Through
Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

Versa est in luctum cithara mea
et organum meum in vocem flentium.
Parce mihi, Domine, nihil enim sunt
dies mei.

*My harp is turned to mourning
and my organ into the voice of those that
weep.*

Spare me, O Lord, for my days are nothing.

Versa est in luctum

Tomás Luis de Victoria, 1548-1611

§ *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.

French chant

**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. In flame our hearts with 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.

Plainsong

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.**

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



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