

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET

LOW SUNDAY

IN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER



HIGH MASS

Sunday, 27th April, 2025

11am

Cover image: The Incredulity of St Thomas
Bartolomeo di Fruosino, 1366-1441

MISSA IN TEMPORE PASCHALI

Philip Moore, b. 1943

§ *All who are able stand when the sacristy bell rings.*

ALLELUYA! Alleluya! Alleluya!

**Ye sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heavenly hosts in glory sing,
To-day the grave hath lost its sting. *Alleluya!***

**On that first morning of the week,
Before the day began to break,
The Marys went their Lord to seek. *Alleluya!***

**An Angel bade their sorrow flee,
For thus he spake unto the three:
‘Your Lord is gone to Galilee.’ *Alleluya!***

**That night the Apostles met in fear,
Amidst them came their Lord most dear,
And said: ‘Peace be unto you here!’ *Alleluya!***

**When Thomas afterwards had heard
That Jesus had fulfilled his word,
He doubted if it were the Lord. *Alleluya!***

**‘Thomas, behold my side,’ saith he,
‘My hands, my feet, my body see;
‘And doubt not, but believe in me.’ *Alleluya!***

**No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
‘Thou art my Lord and God,’ he cried. *Alleluya!***

**Blessed are they that have not seen,
And yet whose faith hath constant been,
In life eternal they shall reign. *Alleluya!***

Jehan Tisserand, d.1419

Tr J.M. Neale, 1818-1866

O FILII ET FILIAE

Airs sur les hymnes sacrez Paris 1683

Harmony by E.W. Goldsmith, 1860-1934

INTROIT Like newborn infants *cf.* 1 Peter 2.2

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.

VIDI AQUAM

Dear brothers and sisters, filled with Easter joy, let us prepare our hearts for the celebration of this Mass by reminding ourselves of the new life we received through the waters of baptism, and Christ's triumph over death and sin.

God our Father, thy gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth; in baptism it is a sign of the washing away of our sins and the gift of life eternal. Sanctify this water, we pray. Renew the living spring of thy life within us, that we may be free from sin and filled with thy saving health, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

§ *The congregation is sprinkled with holy water.*

I beheld water, which proceeded out of the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluya: and all they to whom that water came were healed every one: and they say, Alleluya, Alleluya. O give thanks unto the Lord for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth forever. *cf.* Ezekiel 47.1; John 19.34; Psalm 117

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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, Jesu 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 Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits 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.**

§ *All sit.*

FIRST READING Acts 5.27-32

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, ‘We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.’ But Peter and the apostles answered, ‘We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.’

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY 150

O PRAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.
2 Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.
3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.
4 Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.
5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.
6 Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.

SECOND READING Revelation 1.4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ,

the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

§ *All stand.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

And after eight days, when the doors were shut: stood Jesus in the midst of his disciples, and said, Peace be unto you. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 20.19-31

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY Fr Alan Rimmer, *the Assistant Priest*

§ *All stand to sing the Creed.*

THE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heav'n and earth, of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heav'n, *and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man*, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heav'n, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst 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.

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

THE PEACE

Then came Jesus and stood in the midst of his disciples, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

And with thy spirit.

OFFERTORY MOTET

Jesus came when the doors were shut and stood in the midst and said, Peace be unto you. And after that he said to Thomas, Bring thy finger hither and see my hands; and reach hither thy hand and thrust it into my side, and be not faithless, but believing. Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. Jesus said unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet they have believed.

John 20.26-29

Thomas Tomkins, 1572-1656

§ *All stand.*

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.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Accept, O Lord, we pray thee, the gifts which in her gladness the Church doth offer unto thee: that they on whom thou hast bestowed the cause of so great a gladness, may thereby be profited unto everlasting felicity; 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.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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.

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

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.

§ *As the choir sings the Agnus, the celebrant shows the consecrated host to the people:*

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

§ *All respond:*

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION CHANT Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus

§ *Anyone baptized in the name of the Trinity may receive Holy Communion. It is distributed at two stations: at the High Altar, and at the Lady Altar in the North Aisle, where low gluten Hosts are available.*

§ *All sing the Communion hymn.*

**AT the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King:
Who hath washed us in the tide
Flowing from his piercèd side;
Praise we him whose love divine
Gives the guests his blood for wine,
Gives his body for the feast,
Love the Victim, Love the Priest.**

**Where the Paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Christ, the Lamb whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread!
With sincerity and love
Eat we Manna from above.**

Mighty Victim from on high,
Powers of hell beneath thee lie;
Death is broken in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light.
Now thy banner thou dost wave,
Conquering Satan and the grave.
See the prince of darkness quelled;
Heaven's bright gates are open held.

Paschal triumph, Paschal joy,
Only sin can this destroy;
From sin's death do thou set free,
Souls re-born, dear Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
Father, unto thee we raise.
Risen Lord, all praise to thee,
Ever with the Spirit be.

From a Latin Breviary hymn
Tr Robert Campbell, 1814-1868

SALZBURG

Melody from J. Hintze, 1622-1702

Harmony by J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God our Father, who through our Saviour Jesus Christ hast assured us of eternal life and in baptism made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in thy love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

SOLEMN BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

§ *All bow down for the blessing. After each prayer, all respond:* **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

§ *All sing the final hymn.*

**YE choirs of new Jerusalem,
Your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn
In strains of holy joy.**

**How Judah's Lion burst his chains,
And crushed the serpent's head;
And brought with him, from death's domains,
The long-imprisoned dead.**

**From hell's devouring jaws the prey
Alone our Leader bore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way
Where he hath gone before.**

**Triumphant in his glory now
His sceptre ruleth all,
Earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,
And at his footstool fall.**

**While joyful thus his praise we sing,
His mercy we implore,
Into his palace bright to bring
And keep us evermore.**

**All glory to the Father be,
All glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
While endless ages run. Alleluya! Amen.**

St Fulbert of Chartres, d.1028

Tr Robert Campbell, 1814-1868

ST FULBERT

H.J. Gauntlett, 1805-1876

REGINA CÆLI

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia!
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia!
As he promised hath arisen, alleluia!
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!
For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

O God, who by the Resurrection of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, hast given joy unto the world: grant we beseech thee that by the help of his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Scherzo, op.2
Maurice Duruflé, 1902-1988

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LOW SUNDAY

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Sunday, 27th April, 2025

Thank you to all who have worked so hard and contributed in many different ways to our Easter celebrations. Welcome to our visitors: please join us for coffee in the courtyard after Mass. The Parish Bar will be open from 12.30pm.

Welcome back to All Saints'!

It is a joy this Sunday to welcome back a group of alumni from our former Choir School. The school ran from 1843 to 1968, and from the late 1850s had its home in the buildings on the west side of the courtyard. Classes of boys went on to sing at the coronations of Edward VII, Georges V and VI, and Elizabeth II.

Easter Flowers

Thank you also to those who have sponsored our Easter flowers this year, of whom some have chosen to remain anonymous.

Antonietta, in loving memory of David Robin on his birthday; Naomi Slippe; Charlotte Black, in memory of her mother, Priscilla Black; Kate Hodgetts, in memory of her mother, Rita; Ingrid Slaughter; Daniel Formston; Anne Flanagan, in memory of her parents; Fr Reg Bushau; Nick and Suzy Thomson, in memory of Suzy's dad, Alan Knight Ntow, & of Nick's Mum, Angela Thomson, & of his Grandma, Joan Ward.

THE NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

Do consider joining us for England's National act of witness at Walsingham on Monday, 26th May. £30 coach from All Saints' at 07.30am. Ask Fr Alan.

Curry night

On Thursday, 8th May there will be an Eastertide curry night for our younger adults. It will be at Fr Alan's house after the evening Mass. Let Fr Alan know by Sunday May 4th if you'd like to come along.

Requiem Masses for Pope Francis, Tuesday 29th April

On the first opportunity after Easter Week and the transferred Solemnity of St George, both Masses will be offered for the repose of the soul of the late pontiff.

The clergy can be contacted through the Parish Office:

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MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday 20th April

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8.30am Low Mass

11am High Mass

5.15pm Low Mass

6pm *Evensong & Benediction*

12noon; 6.30pm

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Monday 28th April **ST GEORGE**

Tuesday 29th April **St Catherine of Siena**

Wednesday 30th April *Easter Feria*

Thursday 1st April **Ss Philip & James**

Friday 2nd May **St Athanasius**

Saturday 3rd May *Easter Feria of Our Lady*

Sunday 4th May

EASTER III

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street:

27th - Christopher Naylor, Brian Newman, Barry Newsome, Elaine Norman, Richard North, Fr Paul Ockford 28th - Fr Peter & 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 1st – Carlos Remotti-Breton, Dr Steve Rice, Fr John Rick, Fr Peter Roberts, Hilary Rodger 2nd - Greg Round, Jamie Rundle, Mary Sherred, James Shrimpton 3rd - Ingrid Slaughter, Naomi Slippe, Vaughan Snook, Harvey Solomon-Brady

The sick: Graeme Butler, David Craig, Jean and Ian Grevatt, Fr Michael Gudgeon, Tony Hawkins, Margaret Hill, Fr Harry Hodgetts, Elizabeth Lyon, Philip Payne, Fr Norman Price, Fr John Rick, James Rodger, Ingrid Slaughter, Melanie Tucker

The recently departed: Francis, *Bishop of Rome*

and for those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time:

27th – Richard Dibley 28th - Isabel Sturges-Jones, Lilian Raven, John Birch

29th - Basil Simpson Bp, Beatrice Hudson 1st – Douglas Robertson, Jane Mather

2nd – John Beard, Trevor Stevens Pr 3rd – Mary Forsyth, Dolly Powell



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