ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET

EASTER VI

SOLEMN EVENSONG & BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Sunday 25th May, 2025, 6pm

§ All stand when the sacristy bell rings.

REGINA CAELI

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.**

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 126

1. When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion: then were we like unto them that dream.

2. Then was our mouth filled with laughter: and our tongue with joy.

3. Then said they among the heathen: The Lord hath done great things for them.

4. Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already: whereof we rejoice.

5. Turn our captivity, O Lord: as the rivers in the south.

6. They that sow in tears: shall reap in joy.

7. He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed: shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

8. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

9. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Psalm 127

1. Except the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it.

2. Except the Lord keep the city: the watchman waketh but in vain.

3. It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

4. Lo, children and the fruit of the womb: are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

5. Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant: even so are the young children.

6. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

7. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

8. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Zeph 3.14-20

OFFICE HYMN § All stand.



The Lamb's high banquet we await In snow-white robes of royal state, And now, the Red Sea's channel past,

To Christ our Prince we sing at last.

Upon the altar of the Cross His Body has redeemed our loss, And tasting of his precious Blood, Our life is hid with Christ in God.

That Paschal eve God's arm was bared,

The devastating angel spared; By strength of hand our hosts went free

From Pharaoh's ruthless tyranny.

Now Christ our Passover is slain, The Lamb of God that knows no stain, And he, the true unleavened Bread, Is truly our oblation made.

Maker of all, to thee we pray, Fulfil in us thy joy today; When death assails, grant, Lord, that we

May share thy Paschal victory.

To thee who, dead, again dost live, All glory, Lord, thy people give, All glory to the Father be And Spirit blest, 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.

David Bevan, 1951-2021

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON § *All sit.* Matthew 28.1-20, 16-20

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.

Charles Wood, 1866-1926

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.

O Lord, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **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.**

ANTHEM

When Mary thro' the garden went, There was no sound of any bird,And yet, because the night was spent, The little grasses lightly stirred,The flowers awoke, the lilies heard.

When Mary thro' the garden went,The dew lay still on flower and grass,The waving palms above her sentTheir fragrance out as she did pass.No light upon the branches was.

When Mary thro' the garden went, Her eyes, for weeping long, were dim. The grass beneath her footsteps bent, The solemn lilies, white and slim, These also stood and wept for Him.

When Mary thro' the garden went, She sought, within the garden ground, One for Whom her heart was rent, One Who for her sake was bound, One Who sought and she was found.

When Mary thro' the garden went C. V. Stanford, 1852-1924

§ 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. J. S. Bach, 1685-1750

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, protect your people through the glory of Christ.

§ 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.

J. S. Bach, 1685-1750

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 Paraclete. 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.

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VOLUNTARY Fugue in G minor, BWV 542

J. S. Bach, 1685-1750

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Sunday, 25th May, 2025

Welcome to our visitors: please join us for coffee in the courtyard after Mass. The Parish Bar will be open from 12.30pm.

THE NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

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

APCM

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting and Annual Meeting of Parishioners will take place after High Mass this morning. This is the occasion when annual reports on our parish's life are formally presented, churchwardens are elected for the coming year, and members of our PCC are chosen. Please stay around to participate if you are on the Electoral Roll of the parish.

Flowers

The flowers are given by Monica Hall in memory of her sister, Mary Woodward. If you would like to make a donation for flowers or the courtyard garden, please contact Shawn directly or via the office.

Parish walks

Our parish rambling group will be going on a day trip walks over the coming months on Saturday 5th July. All are welcome to join the group! Precise details will follow, but for now the date is published so you can make a note in your diaries. If you have questions or suggestions about future walks, please be in touch with Fr Alan.

Siena at the National Gallery

A parish outing to the National Gallery will take place on Friday 6th June to see its highly praised current exhibition focussed on Sienese painting in the 13th Century. There are 20 tickets which will be apportioned on a "first come, first served" basis. There will also be an option for dinner together after the exhibition in Chinatown, which will cost £35 per head. Tickets are available on Eventbrite. MASS TIMES THIS WEEK Monday 26th May St Philip Neri Tuesday 27th May St Augustine of Canterbury Wednesday 28th May DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH Thursday 29th May THE ASCENSION Friday 30th May Easter Feria Saturday 31st May The Visitation

Sunday 1st June SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION 12noon 12noon; 6.30pm

12noon; 5.30pm Holy Hour; 6.30pm

12noon; 6.30pm 12noon; 6.30pm High Mass 12noon; 6pm *Confessions;* 6.30pm Vigil Mass 8.30am Low Mass 11am Pontifical High Mass with Confirmations; 5.15pm Low Mass 6pm *Evensong & Benediction*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street: *25th* – Judith Mather, The Ven Fr Stephen McClatchie, John McWhinney, Colin Menzies, Amanda Miller; *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, Amanda Oldman, Daniel Oliver, Fr. Barry Orford, Nicholas Page, Samantha Parker, Malcolm Parr, Bhaven Patel, Philip Payne, 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

The sick: Graeme Butler, Dame Averil Cameron, David Craig, Fr Michael Gudgeon, Tony Hawkins, Margaret Hill, Fr Harry Hodgetts, Elizabeth Lyon, Philip Payne, James Rodger, Ingrid Slaughter

The recently departed: Barbara Jones, Vernon Groves, Ina Long, Ronald Corp CBE, *Pr*

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

25th – Frederick Seales, John Davies, Yvonne Harland; 26th – Clare Jackson, Percy Aspinall; 27th – Elsie Davies, Betty Scott, Ivan Sutton, Joy Cooch; 28th – Constance Crozier; 29th – Agnes Barry, Brenda Lusha, Dominic Borg; 30th – Henry Pelham-Clinton, Constance Porter; 31st – Olga Gaunt



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