ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

EVENSONG & BENEDICTION 31st August 2025, 6pm

§ All stand when the sacristy bell rings.

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.

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.

§ To the collect, all respond: 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

beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's Name be praised.

§ All sit with the choir.

PSALMODY 119.81-96

MY SOUL hath longed for thy salvation: and I have a good hope because of thy word. 82. Mine eyes long sore for thy word: saying, O when wilt thou comfort me? 83. For I am become like a bottle in the smoke: yet do I not forget thy statutes. 84. How many are the days of thy servant: when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me? 85. The proud have digged pits for me: which are not after thy law. 86. All thy commandments are true: they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help. 87. They had almost made an end of me upon earth: but I forsook not thy commandments. 88. O quicken me after thy loving-kindness: and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth. 89. O LORD, thy word: endureth for ever in heaven. 90. Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another: thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth. 91. They continue this day according to thine ordinance: for all things serve thee. 92. If my delight had not been in thy law: I should have perished in my trouble. 93. I will never forget thy commandments: for with them thou hast quickened me. 94. I am thine, O save me: for I have sought thy commandments. 95. The ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me: but I will consider thy testimonies. 96. I see that all things come to an end: but thy commandment is exceeding broad. Glory be. As it was.

FIRST LESSON Isa 33.13-22

Hear, you who are far away, what I have done; and you who are near, acknowledge my might. The sinners in Zion are afraid; trembling has seized the godless: 'Who among us can live with the devouring fire? Who among us can live with everlasting flames?' Those who walk righteously and speak uprightly, who despise the gain of oppression, who wave away a bribe instead of accepting it, who stop their ears from hearing of bloodshed and shut their eyes from looking on evil, they will live on the heights; their refuge will be the fortresses of rocks; their food will be supplied, their water assured. Your eyes will see the king in his beauty; they will behold a land that stretches far away. Your mind will muse on the terror: 'Where is the one who counted? Where is the one who weighed the tribute? Where is the one who counted the towers?' No longer will you see the insolent people, the people of an obscure speech that you cannot comprehend, stammering in a language that you cannot understand. Look on Zion, the city of our appointed festivals! Your eyes will see Jerusalem, a quiet habitation, an immovable tent, whose stakes will never be pulled up, and none of whose ropes will be broken. But there the Lord in majesty will be for us a place of broad rivers and streams, where no galley with oars can go, nor stately ship can pass. For the Lord is our judge, the Lord is our ruler, the Lord is our king; he will save us. § All stand.

OFFICE HYMN



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 cf. Luke 1.46-55

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.

Fourth Service

Adrian Batten, 1591-1637

§ All sit.

SECOND LESSON John 3.22-36

After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he spent some time there with them and baptized. John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim because water was abundant there; and people kept coming and were being baptized— John, of course, had not yet been thrown into prison. Now a discussion about purification arose between John's disciples and a Jew. They came to John and said to him, 'Rabbi, the one who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you testified, here he is baptizing, and all are going to him.' John answered, 'No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven. You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, "I am not the Messiah, but I have been sent ahead of him." He who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. For this reason my joy has been

fulfilled. He must increase, but I must decrease.' The one who comes from above is above all; the one who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks about earthly things. The one who comes from heaven is above all. He testifies to what he has seen and heard, yet no one accepts his testimony. Whoever has accepted his testimony has certified this, that God is true. He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure. The Father loves the Son and has placed all things in his hands. Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever disobeys the Son will not see life, but must endure God's wrath.

§ All stand.

NUNC DIMITTIS cf. Luke 2.29-32

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 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 GOD, who declarest thy almighty power chiefly in shewing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

§ All sit.

ANTHEM

O Christ, who are the light and day, you drive away the darkness of night; you are called the light of light, for you proclaim the blessed light

We beseech you, Holy Lord, protect us this night.
Let us take our rest in you; grant us a tranquil night.

Let our sleep be free from care; let not the enemy snatch us away, nor flesh conspire with him, and make us guilty in your sight.

Though our eyes are filled with sleep, keep our hearts forever awake to you. Let your right hand protect your loving servants.

You who are our shield, behold; restrain those that lie in wait, and guide your servants whom you have ransomed with your blood.

Remember us, O Lord, who bear the burden of this mortal frame; you who are the defender of the soul, be near us, O Lord.

Glory be to God the Father, and to his only Son, with the Spirit, the Comforter, both now and evermore. Amen.

Robert White, 1538-1574

BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

§ All kneel at the bell.

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.

St Thomas Aquinas, 1225-1274

Claudio Monteverdi, 1567-1643

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, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

§ Silence is kept.

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

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.

St Thomas Aquinas, 1225-1274

Thomas Tallis, 1505-1585

Thou gavest them bread from heaven.

Containing within itself all

Containing within itself all sweetness.

§ Benediction is given, after which all then 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.

§ All stand when the bell rings.

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

VOLUNTARY

Psalm 24

Anthoni van Noordt, 1619-1675

NOTICES

Welcome to All Saints', especially if you're visiting.

Please join us for coffee in the courtyard after Mass. The Parish Bar will be open for one hour.



Collection is taken using the card reader at the back of church, or using this QR code. Thank you for your generosity.

Music sponsorship

The music at High Mass today is generously sponsored by Professor David Parrott.

Fidelium: Oxford Movement

Fidelium, a new network for young adults who worship in parishes across the Fulham jurisdiction, is organising a mini-series on the Oxford Movement. On Thursday 11th September at 7.00 pm, Fr Peter will give a lecture at All Saints' introducing the main ideas and figures of the Oxford movement and Catholic Revival. There will then be a day trip to Oxford on Saturday 27th September led by Fr Peter to put some of the ideas discussed in the lecture in context.

Advent Retreat

The Advent Retreat takes place from Friday 5th December to Sunday 7th December 2025 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. All those who gather for the retreat go into silence on Friday evening after supper. Silence is then kept in the Shrine grounds through the whole of Saturday until after the Solemn Mass on Sunday morning which takes place at St Mary's parish church. The cost is £260, and you can sign up via the Parish Office.

Choir and Music Trust Concert

The fundraising campaign for our Choir and Music Trust Fund will be launched at a concert given by our choir on the Saturday 1st November at 7.00 pm. This will be a concert of sacred music including a number of substantial items which the choir often doesn't have the opportunity to sing because of time or liturgical constraints. The programme will include Bairstow's *Blessed City, Heavenly Salem*, Macdowell's *Annunciation*, Macmillan's *A special Appeal*, Finzi's *Lo the full and final sacrifice*, Holst's *Nunc Dimittis*, and Parry's *Songs of Farewell*. Tickets are £25 per head and all funds raised will go to our our Choir and Music Trust. You can book your tickets via the Eventbrite link here. It will be a splendid evening and we need as many people present as possible. Please bring your friends.

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

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 1st September Feria 12noon; 6.30pm Tuesday 2nd September Feria 12noon; 6.30pm

Wednesday 3rd September St Gregory the Great 12noon; 5.30pm Holy Hour; 6.30pm

Thursday 4th September St Cuthbert 12noon; 6.30pm Friday 5th September Feria 12noon; 6.30pm

Saturday 6th September Our Lady on Saturday 12noon; 6pm *Confessions*;

Sunday 7th September 8.30am Low Mass

TRINITY XII 11am High Mass; 5.15pm Low Mass

6pm Evensong & Benediction

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street: 31st — Friends of All Saints' in need; 1st — Carlos Remotti-Breton, Dr Steve Rice, 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; 4th — Jonathan Spelman, Richard and Louise Stallwood, Iain Stewart, Robert Stoltz, Madeleine Storer, Ian and Veronica Summers, Colin Symes, Ann Tacchi; 5th — Sebastian Taite-Ellis, Michael Taylor, Kitty Thompson, Charles Thomson, Dr James Thomson, Jeremy Thorp, Jane Turner, The Rev'd Roger Turner, Dr Christine Vaughn Lillie; 6th — Christopher Walsh, Philip Wayne, Fr Benjamin Weitzmann, Fr. Mats Wendt, Michael Westcott

The sick: Cherry Burroughs, Jean Castledine, David Craig, Fr Michael Gudgeon, Catherine Hobden, Fr Harry Hodgetts, David Lodge, Carol Lyman-Price, Amanda Oldman, James Rodger, Ingrid Slaughter, Juliet Windham

The recently departed: Biddy Baxter, Martyn Evans, Mark Everitt *Pr*, John Oliver *Pr* and for those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time: 31st – Bryan O'Byrne, Peter Davidson, Patricia Williams; 1st – Edward Ragoe, Vera Arde-Acquah; 2nd – Sophie Garrett, Kathleen Heales, Betty Little; 3rd – Francesca Morcom, Susan Mason; 4th – Harold Matts; 5th – Joanne, Guy & Alicia Wace; 6th – Anne Adams, Sister Jean Margaret ASSP