

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

HIGH MASS 17th August 2025, 11am

§ *All stand when the sacristy bell rings.*

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Ps.53.6-8.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

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.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Almighty God, **our heavenly Father, we have sinned against thee and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life to the glory of thy name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, ☩ have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison; Kyrie eleison.

§ *All sit*

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.

Missa Assumpta est Maria

G. P. da Palestrina, 1525-1594

§ *All stand*

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, who didst send thy Holy Spirit to be the life and light of thy Church: open our hearts to the riches of thy grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Jer 23.23-29*

Am I not near? says the Lord. Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth?

says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 82

GOD standeth in the congregation of princes: he is a Judge among gods. 2. How long will ye give wrong judgement: and accept the persons of the ungodly? 3. Defend the poor and fatherless: see that such as are in need and necessity have right. 4. Deliver the outcast and poor: save them from the hand of the ungodly. 5. They will not be learned nor understand, but walk on still in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course. 6. I have said, Ye are gods: and ye are all the children of the most Highest. 7. But ye shall die like men: and fall like one of the princes. 8. Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth: for thou shalt take all heathen to thine inheritance.

EPISTLE Hebrews 11.29-12.2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell

after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

§ *All stand.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 12.49-56*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Deliver me from mine enemies, O God: defend me from them that rise up against me.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.' He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY

Fr Julian Browning, Honorary Assistant Priest

§ *All stand.*

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 LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PEACE

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

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. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

John Sheppard, 1515-1558

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.

Accept, O Lord, we pray thee, the gifts which of thine own bounty we do offer unto thee: that by the powerful operation of thy grace these holy mysteries may sanctify our conversation in this life present, and bring us in the end to everlasting felicity. **Amen.**

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.

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.

§ *All kneel.*

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.**

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the
world, have mercy upon us. [x2]*

*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 his supper.

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

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

*The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a
memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those
who fear him. Ps. 110.4-5*

**God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.
Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never-failing skill
He treasures up his bright designs,
And works his sovereign will.**

**Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take,
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.**

**Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.**

**His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.**

**Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.**

William Cowper, 1731-1800

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Father, who didst gather us around the
table of thy Son that we, with all thy
household, might partake of this holy food:
in that new world wherein the fullness of thy
peace is revealed, gather people of every
race and tongue to share in the eternal
banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING RITES

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

§ All respond to the blessing: Amen.
**Go in the peace of Christ. Thanks be to
God.**

**Judge eternal, throned in splendour,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
With thy living fire of judgement
Purge this realm of bitter things:
Solace all its wide dominion
With the healing of thy wings.**

**Still the weary folk are pining
For the hour that brings release:
And the city's crowded clangour
Cries aloud for sin to cease;
And the homesteads and the woodlands
Plead in silence for their peace.**

**Crown, O God, thine own endeavour;
Cleave our darkness with thy sword;
Feed the faithless and the hungry
With the richness of your word:
Cleanse the body of this nation
Through the glory of the Lord.**

Henry Scott Holland, 1847-1918

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. 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.**

§ *To the collect, all respond: Amen.*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fugue in E-flat, BWV 552ii

J. S. Bach, 1685-1750

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 this evening's Assumptiontide Evensong and Procession is generously sponsored by Chris Self, in honour of Our Lady.

August Bible study

Our August Bible study will focus on St Luke's Gospel this year. Sessions will take place on 20th and 27th August after the evening Mass. Please be in touch with Fr Alan to sign up. It will be important to have re-read the Gospel through before the first session. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Assumption Procession – tonight!

Tonight, our Parish's Assumptiontide celebrations continue with a special procession of an image of Our Lady of Walsingham at 6pm. It is one of the Parish's most visible acts of witness, and we still need volunteers to steward the procession and to pour drinks after the liturgy. Please be in touch with Fr Alan, or Kate Hodgetts.

Holy Hour

Every Wednesday at 5.30pm we offer the opportunity to spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament, which during August will be exposed on the High Altar. It is a time of reflection and comfort in the Lord's Presence, but also an opportunity to give him thanks in an act of adoration.

Courtyard Dinner

There will be a dinner for our younger adults on Thursday, 21st August after the 6.30pm Mass. Weather-permitting we'll be in the courtyard. Please contact Fr Alan to sign up.

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

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 18th August <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Tuesday 19th August <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Wednesday 20th August St Bernard of Clairvaux	12noon; 5.30pm <i>Holy Hour</i> ; 6.30pm
Thursday 21st August <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Friday 22nd August Queenship of the BVM	12noon; 6.30pm
Saturday 23rd August <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6pm <i>Confessions</i> ; 6.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 24th August	8.30am Low Mass
TRINITY X	11am High Mass; 5.15pm Low Mass 6pm <i>Evensong & Benediction</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street: *17th* – Sue Feakin, Adrian Felaar, Elizabeth Ferguson, Daniel Fielden, Janice Fielden, Julia Fielden, Nigel Fisher, Mark Fleming; *18th* – Stuart Fletcher, Christopher Forman, Matthew Foster, Antony Fox, Dr Ralph Donald Fram, Dr Jason Frost, Derrick French, Derek Gatherer, Celia Gather, Charlotte Gauthier, Dr Rebecca Gibbs, Margaret Goddard, Paul Golding, John Goldsmith; *19th* – Genevieve Gomi, Canon Michael Gudgeon, Sheelagh Gudgeon, Ginger and Del Hall, Monica Joan Hall; *20th* – Paul Hannah, Jillian Hargreaves, Christopher Harlow-Jennings, Patrick Hartley, The Rev'd Canon Jeremy Haselock; *21st* – Eoghan Healy, Rebecca Hirst, Fr David Hobden, James and Gwendoline Holdcroft, The Rev'd Canon Graham Holcombe, Edwin Holmes, Rosy Holt, Bishop David Hope; *22nd* – Richard Hoskinson, Marissa Howard-McNatt, Fr David Hutt, Alfred Imhoff, David James, Andrew Jervis, Powell Johann, Stephen Jury, Malcolm Kemp; *23rd* – Alan Kimbrough, Brenda Koupis, Stanislav Kudryashov, Christopher Laws, Margaret Leggett

The sick: Jean Castledine, David Craig, Yvonne Craig, Fr Michael Gudgeon, Fr Harry Hodgetts, Carol Lyman-Price, James Rodger, Ingrid Slaughter, Juliet Windham

The recently departed: Biddy Baxter, Gwyn Clement *Pr*, Mark Everitt *Pr*

and for those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time: *17th* – Dorothy Lane
19th – David Russell; *20th* – William Cargill *Pr*, Harry Allan; *21st* – George Jeynes, Leroy Lawes; *22nd* – Marion Ginger; *23rd* – Elsie Faithfull, John Hawkins *Pr*, Patricia Jones, Peter Vickers, Geoffrey Hughes, Lily Caplin