

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
HIGH MASS 10th August 2025, 11am

§ *All stand when the sacristy bell rings.*

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Ps.47.10-11

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.

Service in C

John Ireland, 1879-1962

§ *All stand*

THE COLLECT

O almighty Lord and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws and in the works of thy commandments, that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 *Gen 15.1-6*

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 33.12-21

12. Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah: and blessed are the folk, that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance. 13. The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men: from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth. 14. He fashioneth all the hearts of them: and understandeth all their works. 15. There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host: neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength. 16. A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man: neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength. 17. Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him: and upon them that put

their trust in his mercy; 18. To deliver their soul from death: and to feed them in the time of dearth. 19. Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord: for he is our help and our shield. 20. For our heart shall rejoice in him: because we have hoped in his holy Name. 21. Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us: like as we do put our trust in thee.

EPISTLE *Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16*

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.' All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a

homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

§ *All stand.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 12.32-40*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

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.

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have

them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY

Fr Alan Rimmer, 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.

Word of the Highest, our only hope,
Eternal day of earth and the heavens,
We break the silence of the peaceful night;
Saviour Divine, cast your eyes upon us!

Pour on us the fire of your powerful grace,
That all hell may flee at the sound of your voice;

Banish the slumber of a weary soul,
That brings forgetfulness of your laws!

O Christ, look with favour upon your faithful people

Now gathered here to praise you;

Receive their hymns offered to your immortal glory;

May they go forth filled with your gifts.

Gabriel Fauré, 1845-1924

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.

O God, who didst ratify the manifold sacrifices of the law by the one perfect sacrifice of our redemption: mercifully accept the oblation of thy bounden servants, and sanctify them with that benediction wherewith thou didst bless the gifts of Abel thy servant; that what each hath offered to the honour of thy majesty may be profitable unto all for their salvation. **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.*

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who seeks refuge in him. Ps.33.9

**HARK! a herald voice is calling:
'Christ is nigh', it seems to say;
'Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!'**

**Startled at the solemn warning,
Let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her Sun, all sloth dispelling,
Shines upon the morning skies.**

**Lo! the Lamb, so long expected,
Comes with pardon down from
heaven;
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
One and all to be forgiven;**

**So when next he comes in glory,
And earth's final hour draws near,
May he then as our defender
On the clouds of heaven appear.**

**Honour, glory, virtue, merit,
To the Father and the Son,
With the co-eternal Spirit,
While unending ages run. Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard thy word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung thy praise be free from deceit; may the eyes

which have seen the tokens of thy love shine
with the light of hope; and may the bodies
which have been fed with thy body be
refreshed with the fullness of thy life; glory
be to thee for ever. **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.

FORTH in thy Name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know,
In all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works thy presence find,
And prove thy good and perfect will.

Preserve me from my calling's snare,
And hide my simple heart above,
Above the thorns of choking care,
The gilded baits of worldly love.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes mine inmost substance
see,
And labour on at thy command,
And offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to thy glorious day;

For thee delightfully employ
Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath
given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with thee to heaven.

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

Imperial March

Edward Elgar, 1857-1934

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.*

Flowers

The flowers are given by Father Graham Holcombe, in memory of Father Malcolm Ferrier.

August Bible study

Our August Bible study will focus on St Luke's Gospel this year. Sessions will take place on 13th, 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.

Assumptiontide

The Parish will mark Our Lady's Assumption on Friday, 15th August with a High Mass at 6.30pm, and a special procession with the image of Our Lady will be held on Sunday, 17th August at 6pm. It is one of the Parish's most visible acts of witness, and we need volunteers to steward the procession and to pour drinks after Sunday's 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:
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MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 11th August St Clare of Assisi	12noon; 6.30pm
Tuesday 12th August <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Wednesday 13th August <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 5.30pm <i>Holy Hour</i> ; 6.30pm
Thursday 14th August St Maximilian Kolbe	12noon; 6.30pm
Friday 15th August THE ASSUMPTION	12noon; 6.30pm High Mass
Saturday 16th August <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6pm <i>Confessions</i> ; 6.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 17th August TRINITY IX	8.30am Low Mass 11am High Mass; 5.15pm Low Mass 6pm <i>Evensong & Benediction with Assumptiontide Procession</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street: 10th – Stephen Baldwin, Stephen Barber, Nigel Beanland, Jonathan Beck, Dr William Benefield, William Bonnell, Charlotte Black, John Blackburn; 11th – John Bristow, Paul Brough, Michael Brown, David Blunden, Fr Michael Bowie, Dr Graham Burns; 12th – Derek Bussey, Katherine Butler, Maureen Cambrey, David Caplowe, Adrian Carlton-Oatley, Timothy Cassady, Norman and Zulette Catir, Kate Charles, Stuart Chillingworth, Sir Robert Chote, Sandy Christian; 13th – Roger Clark, Catharine Clarke, David and Mavis Cleggett, Graham Colville; 14th – Karolyn Cooper, William Cooper Bailey, Peter Coulson, Steven Cox, Dr Yvonne Craig, Juliet Cridland; 15th – Dr Ryan Danker, Kirill Dashkovskiy, Keith Day, Christopher Davies, Peter Dennis, Laura Denton, Joshua Dolphin; 16th – Linda Edwards, Pamela Edwards, Jane Elliston, Dr Terrence Ellsworth, Richard Everton and Fr Philip Bevan, Carolyn Farrar, Dr Malcolm Faulkner

The sick: Biddy Baxter, Jean Castledine, Fr Gwyn Clement, David Craig, Yvonne Craig, Fr Michael Gudgeon, Sheelagh Gudgeon, Lesley Jones, Elizabeth Lyon, Fr Harry Hodgetts, Lionel Persey, Fr Peter Roberts, James Rodger, Fr Jim Rosenthal, Ingrid Slaughter, Juliet Windham

The recently departed: Lynn Persey

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

10th – Sidney Browne, Gay Cardew, Leslie York, Andrew Heley, David Johnstone, Charles Oram, Marie-Olivier Mercy, David Welch, Lenore Kimbrough; 11th – Marie O'Connor, Barbara Davis; 12th – Beatrice Taylor, Joan Pulham, Philip Merritt, Valerie Hargreaves-Smith; 13th – Thomas Straker, Winifred Golelee, Richard Fitzgerald, John Edmonds, Ivy Oram; 14th – William Rivington, Mildred Terry, Adriana Grosinski; 15th – David Tweed; 16th – Veronica Lee, Alexander Lee