

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET
EIGHTEENETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
EVENSONG & BENEDICTION 19th October, 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, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's Name be praised.

§ *All sit with the choir.*

PSALMODY 146, 149

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God. 2. O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man: for there is no help in them. 3. For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth: and then all his thoughts perish.

4. Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help: and whose hope is in the Lord his God;

5. Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: who keepeth his promise for ever;

6. Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong: who feedeth the hungry. 7. The Lord looseth men out of prison: the Lord giveth sight to the blind.

8. The Lord helpeth them that are fallen: the Lord careth for the righteous. 9. The Lord careth for the strangers, he defendeth the fatherless and widow: as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down. 10. The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore: and throughout all generations. Glory be. As it was. Amen.

O SING unto the Lord a new song: let the congregation of saints praise him. 2. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King. 3. Let them praise his Name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp. 4. For the Lord hath pleasure in his people: and helpeth the meek-hearted. 5. Let the saints be joyful with glory: let them rejoice in their beds.

6. *Let the praises of God be in their mouth: and a two-edged sword in their hands; 7. To be avenged of the heathen: and to rebuke the people; 8. To bind their kings in chains: and their nobles with links of iron. 9. That they may be avenged of them, as it is written: Such honour have all his saints. Glory be. As it was. Amen.*

FIRST LESSON *Nehemiah 8.9-18*

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, ‘This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.’ For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, ‘Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.’ So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, ‘Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved.’ And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them. On the second day the heads of ancestral houses of all the people, with the priests and the Levites, came together to the scribe Ezra in order to study the words of the law. And they found it written in the law, which the Lord had commanded by Moses, that the people of Israel should live in booths during the festival of the seventh month, and that they should publish and proclaim in all their towns and in Jerusalem as follows, ‘Go out to the hills and bring branches of olive, wild olive, myrtle, palm,

and other leafy trees to make booths, as it is written.’ So the people went out and brought them, and made booths for themselves, each on the roofs of their houses, and in their courts and in the courts of the house of God, and in the square at the Water Gate and in the square at the Gate of Ephraim. And all the assembly of those who had returned from the captivity made booths and lived in them; for from the days of Jeshua son of Nun to that day the people of Israel had not done so. And there was very great rejoicing. And day by day, from the first day to the last day, he read from the book of the law of God. They kept the festival for seven days; and on the eighth day there was a solemn assembly, according to the ordinance.

§ *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.*

Fauxbourdons
Healey Willan, 1880-1968

§ *All sit.*

SECOND LESSON *John 16.1-11*

Then Jesus said unto them: 'I have said these things to you to keep you from stumbling. They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, an hour is coming when those who kill you will think that by doing so they are offering worship to God. And they will do this because they have not known the Father or me. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

§ *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.

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil: and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God. 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

This sanctuary of my soul
Unwitting I keep white and whole,
Unlatched and lit, if Thou should'st care
To enter or to tarry there.

With parted lips and outstretched hands
And listening ears Thy servant stands,
Call Thou early, call Thou late,
To Thy great service dedicate.

Charles Wood, 1866-1926

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

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827

**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

Max Reger, 1873-1916

Thou gavest them bread from heaven.

**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

Prelude op. 29, n. 1

Gabriel Pierne, 1863-1937

PARISH NOTICES

Welcome to our visitors. The Parish Bar will be open for one hour after Evensong. Please join us.

Music sponsorship

The music at High Mass this morning is sponsored by Paul Golding in memory of his mother, Barbara Golding, whose anniversary of death falls around this time. The music at Evensong is sponsored by Dr Christiane Loidl-Rainey and Simon Rainey KC in memory of Benedict Alois Loidl (1991-2008).

Winter homeless shelter

We are looking for volunteers for our parish winter homeless shelter project. The pattern involves taking the lead in feeding and offering hospitality to some of the homeless of this city at the night shelter hosted at the American Church on the Tottenham Court Road. We have undertaken to run the shelter on the following nights: Wednesday 26th November 2025; Wednesday 7th January 2026; Wednesday 4th February 2026; and Wednesday 18th March 2026.

If you would like to volunteer, please be in touch with Fr Alan (assistantpriest@asms.uk). Please email again even if you have emailed already.

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 Eve of All Saints', Saturday 1st November at 7pm.

The programme will include Bairstow's *Blessed City*, 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 Choir and Music Trust.

Book your tickets using the QR code in the enclosed flyer!

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

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 20th October <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Tuesday 21st October <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Wednesday 22nd October <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 5.30pm <i>Holy Hour</i> ; 6.30pm
Thursday 23rd October <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Friday 24th October <i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Saturday 25th October <i>Feria</i>	12noon 6pm Confessions; 6.30pm Vigil
Sunday 26th October	8.30am Low Mass
LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	11am High Mass; 5.15pm Low Mass 6pm <i>Evensong & Benediction</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street: 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 and Catherine 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; 24th – Cornelius Logue, Frau Dr Christiane Loidl-Rainey, Nigel Lynn, Henry Macey, Bishop Michael Marshall, David Mason, Robert Mason, Graham Mather;
25th - Judith Mather, The Ven Fr Stephen McClatchie, John McWhinney, Peter Medine, Colin Menzies, Amanda Miller

The sick: Jean Castledine, Angela Cirillo, Francesco Cirillo, David Craig, Fr Michael Gudgeon, Catherine Hobden, Fr Harry Hodgetts, Carol Lyman-Price, Daniel Oliver, Fr Peter Roberts, James Rodger, Oskar Rodriguez-Lopez, Ingrid Slaughter, Juliet Windham

The recently departed: Keelan Shorten, Cherry Burroughs, James Leigh, *Pr*
and for those whose anniversaries of death fall at this time: 19th – John Hillaby, Colin Wesley; 20th – Benedict Alois Loidl; 21st – Dora Bull; 22nd – Martin Lawrence *Pr*;
23rd – Roy Prince; 24th – Eva Dean, Ron Keating, Peter Laister *Pr*; 25th – Reginald Thompson, Barbara Golding



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