

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
EVENSONG & BENEDICTION 9th November, 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 40

I WAITED patiently for the Lord: and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling. 2. He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay: and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings. 3. And he hath put a new song in my mouth: even a thanksgiving unto our God. 4. Many shall see it, and fear: and shall put their trust in the Lord. 5. Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord: and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies. 6. O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward: and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee: 7. If I should declare them, and speak of them: they should be more than I am able to express. 8. Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest not: but mine ears hast thou opened. 9. Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required: then said I, Lo, I come, 10. In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God: I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart. 11. I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest. 12. I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart: my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation. 13. I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth: from the great congregation. 14. Withdraw not

thou thy mercy from me, O Lord: let thy loving-kindness and thy truth always preserve me.

15. For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me that I am not able to look up: yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me. 16. O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me: make haste, O Lord, to help me.

17. Let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it: let them be driven backward and put to rebuke, that wish me evil. 18. Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame: that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee. 19. Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say always, The Lord be praised. 20. As for me, I am poor and needy: but the Lord careth for me. 21. Thou art my helper and redeemer: make no long tarrying, O my God. Glory be. As it was. Amen.

FIRST LESSON *1 Kings 3.1-15*

Solomon made a marriage alliance with Pharaoh king of Egypt; he took Pharaoh's daughter and brought her into the city of David, until he had finished building his own house and the house of the Lord and the wall around Jerusalem. The people were sacrificing at the high places, however, because no house had yet been built for the name of the Lord. Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said,

'Ask what I should give you.' And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.' Then Solomon awoke; it had been a dream. He came to Jerusalem, where he stood before the ark of the covenant of the Lord. He offered up burnt-offerings and offerings

of well-being, and provided a feast for all his servants.

§ *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.*

Evening Service in E
Herbert Murrill, 1909-1952

§ *All sit.*

SECOND LESSON *Romans 8.31-39*

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.' No, in all these things we

are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

§ *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 Lord our God, whose name only is excellent and thy praise above heaven and earth: we thanks thee for all those who counted not their lives dear unto themselves but laid them down for their friends; grant us, we beseech thee, that having them always in remembrance we may imitate their faithfulness and sacrifice;

through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. 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

After this it was noised abroad that Mr Valiant-for-Truth was taken with a summons ...; and had this for a token that the summons was true, 'That his pitcher was broken at the fountain.' When he understood it, he called for his friends, and told them of it. Then, said he, 'I am going to my Father's, and though with great difficulty I am got hither, yet now I do not repent me of all the trouble I have been at to arrive where I am. My sword, I give to him that shall succeed me in my pilgrimage, and my courage and skill, to him that can get it. My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me, that I have fought his battles, who now will be my rewarder.' When the day that he must go hence, was come, many accompanied him to the riverside, into which, as he went, he said, 'Death, where is thy sting?' And as he went

down deeper, he said, 'Grave, where is thy victory?'

Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

John Bunyan, 1628-1688

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.*

Edward Elgar, 1857-1934

**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.*

Gabriel Fauré, 1845-1924

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

Rhapsody in D-flat major

Herbert Howells, 1892-1983