

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET
SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
HIGH MASS 16th November 2025, 11am

§ *All stand when the sacristy bell rings.*

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel. Ps.129.3-4

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 Aeterna Christi Munera
G. P. da Palestrina, c. 1525-1594

§ *All stand*

THE COLLECT

O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure, that when he shall appear again with power and great glory we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Spirit, he liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Malachi 4.1-2*

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 98

O SING unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things. 2. With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory. 3. The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen. 4. He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God. 5. Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing, rejoice, and give thanks. 6. Praise the Lord upon the harp: sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving. 7. With trumpets also and shawms: O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King. 8. Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is: the round world, and they that dwell therein. 9. Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth. 10. With righteousness shall he judge the world: and the people with equity.

EPISTLE 2 *Thessalonians 3.6-13*

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not

idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

§ *All stand.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 21.5-19*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: he is their helper and defender.

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.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And

he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY

Fr Julian Browning

§ *All stand to sing the Creed.*

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 the Lord be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, which knowst our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking: We beseech thee to have compassion on our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, 1549

Thomas Tomkins, 1572-1656

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 LORD, who has ordained this sacrifice to be the propitiation for our sins, and the means whereby of thy loving-kindness we are restored unto salvation: mercifully grant that these our oblations may be acceptable in thy sight. Through Christ our Lord. **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 also available, and which involves no steps.*

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. Ps.33.11

§ *All sing the post-Communion hymn.*

**Thy kingdom come, O God,
Thy rule, O Christ, begin;
Break with thy iron rod
The tyrannies of sin.**

**Where is thy reign of peace
And purity and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
As in the realms above?**

**When comes the promised time
That war shall be no more,
And lust, oppression, crime,
Shall flee thy face before?**

**We pray thee Lord, arise,
And come in thy great might;
Revive our longing eyes,
Which languish for thy sight.**

**O'er lands both near and far
Thick darkness broodeth yet:
Arise, O morning Star,
Arise, and never set.**

§ *All stand.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious Lord, who in this holy sacrament dost give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

§ *All sing the final hymn.*

**God is working his purpose out as year
succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out and
the time is drawing near;
Nearer and nearer draws the time, the
time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the
glory of God as the waters cover the
sea.**

**From utmost east to utmost west
where're man's foot hath trod,
By the mouth of many messengers
goes forth the voice of God,
'Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles,
give ear to me,
That the earth may be filled with the
glory of God as the waters cover the
sea.'**

**What can we do to work God's work,
to prosper and increase
The brotherhood of all mankind, the
reign of the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time,
the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the
glory of God as the waters cover the
sea?**

**March we forth in the strength of God
with the banner of Christ unfurled,
That the light of the glorious gospel of
truth may shine throughout the
world;**

**Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin,
to set their captives free,
That the earth may be filled with the
glory of God as the waters cover the
sea.**

**All we can do is nothing worth unless
God blesses the deed;
Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till
God gives life to the seed;
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the
glory of God as the waters cover the
sea.**

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 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.**

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us.

*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.**

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

**That we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ.**

Let us pray.

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in E major
Vincent Lübeck, 1654-1740

PARISH NOTICES

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

Carol service volunteers

We need volunteers to help with the Carol services that we host at the church for various schools, Oxbridge colleges, and professional societies. Please be in touch with the Parish Office. Services take place on 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 16, 18, and 19 December.

Winter homeless shelter

Please be in touch with Fr Alan if you are able to assist running the night shelter on the evening of November 26th and/or the morning of the 27th, and/or on January 7th/8th. The main shift is 6-9pm, and 7-9am for breakfast. Email assistantpriest@asms.uk.

Choir and Music Trust Concert

The next event in our fundraising programme will be a Christmas Carol Organ Concert offered by our Associate Director of Music, Jeremiah Stephenson, on Friday 19th December 2025 at 7.00 pm. Tickets are available via a link in the Parish email.

It will be a wonderful evening of organ music for the festive season. The programme will include: Dupré's *Variations sur un vieux Noël*; plus improvisation on a series of well known and loved Christmas carols.

We are so grateful to Jeremiah for offering this wonderful concert in aid of our campaign.

Choir and Music Trust Capital Campaign

You can make a donation to our Choir and Music Trust Fund via CAF. There will be no All Saints' Festival Appeal this year. In its place, all parishioners and Friends are being invited to make a special gift to our Music Trust to launch our year-long fundraising appeal.

Please also consider joining the Music Patrons. The Music Patrons of All Saints' is a newly founded group of people committed to giving regularly to support the Choir and Music and Trust Fund of All Saints' Margaret Street. In order to join the Music Patron of All Saints', simply set up a regular gift of at least £10 a month via CAF. If you are an American tax payer, you can sign up by making a regular gift of at least \$15 a month via our Chapel and York account.

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

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 17th November	St Hilda of Witby	12noon; 6.30pm
Tuesday 18th November	<i>Feria</i>	12noon; 6.30pm
Wednesday 19th November	<i>Feria</i>	12noon; 5.30pm <i>Holy Hour</i> ; 6.30pm
Thursday 20th November	St Edmund, K. M.	12noon; 6.30pm
Friday 21st November	Presentation BVM	12noon; 6.30pm
Saturday 22nd November		12noon
	St Cecilia	6pm Confessions; 6.30pm Vigil
Sunday 23rd November		8.30am Low Mass
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE		11am High Mass; 5.15pm Low Mass 6pm <i>Evensong & Benediction</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Friends of All Saints' Margaret Street: 16th – Linda Edwards, Pamela Edwards, Jane Elliston, Dr Terrence Ellsworth, Richard Everton and Fr Philip Bevan, Carolyn Farrar, Dr Martin Faulkner; 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 and Cecilia Gatherer, Dr Charlotte Gauthier, Dr Rebecca Gibbs and Samuel Wildy, 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 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

The sick: Jean Castledine, Simon Cottey, David Craig, Pat Hawkins, Fr Harry Hodgetts, Vivienne Nally, Daniel Oliver, Fr Peter Roberts, James Rodger, Carol Simmons, Ingrid Slaughter, Juliet Windham

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

16th – William Foster, Alfred Stephens; 17th – Elizabeth Church, Jonathan Walker, Rodney Beasley; 18th – Nadine Olivey, Norman Caplin; 19th – Clifford Doyle *Pr*, Joan Roberts, Donald Page, Mary Rowe; 20th – Florence Searle, Helen Clayton, Douglas Cudmore, Gwendoline Minnett; 21st – Emma Stephens, Jack Harrington, Kingsley Stansfield, David Voy; 22nd – George Ebbs, Joyce Harvey, Winifred Brough, Mary Buchanan, Timothy Lawford



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