

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

HIGH MASS | 11am, Sunday 22nd March, 2026

§ *All stand when the bell rings.*

A LENT PROSE



Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.

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God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated: bow down and hearken to thy weeping children: pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.

Sins oft committed now we lay before thee: with true contrition, now no more we veil them: grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.

Innocent, captive, taken unresisting: falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced, save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer.

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Cf. Psalm 43.1-2

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

Dear brothers and sisters, let us prepare our hearts for the celebration of this Mass by reminding ourselves of the forgiveness we received through the waters of baptism, and our need of God's healing and mercy.

God our Father, thy gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth; in baptism it is a sign of the washing away of our sins and the gift of life eternal.

✠ Sanctify this water, we pray. Renew the living spring of thy life within us, that we may be free from sin and filled with thy saving health, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

§ *The people are sprinkled with the blessed water.*

Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Have mercy upon me, O God: after thy great goodness. 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. Psalm 51.7; 1

May the God of love and power ✠ forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison; Kyrie eleison.

MASS SETTING **MISSA QUARTI TONI**

Tomás Luis de Victoria, c.1548-1611

THE COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ hast delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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.**

§ *All sit.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Ezekiel 37.12-14*

Prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY 130

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. O let thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it? For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared. I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him: in his word is my trust. My soul fleeth unto the Lord: before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch. O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is plenteous redemption. And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

EPISTLE Romans 8.8-11

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL *St John 11.3-7; 17; 20-27; 33b-45*

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

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May Israel now say: Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up.

Psalm 129

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

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

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Martha and Mary sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, Lazarus, whom you love, is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.'

Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

Jesus was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.' Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY

Fr Julian Browning

Honorary Assistant Priest

§ *All stand to sing the Creed.*

CREDO

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and 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 heaven, 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 heaven, 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 shall 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 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.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PEACE

In Christ Jesus, ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ, for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with thy spirit.

§ *All sit.*

MOTET SALVATOR MUNDI

Thomas Tallis, c.1505-1585

Salvator mundi, salva nos, qui per crucem et sanguinem redemisti nos, auxiliare nobis, te deprecamur, Deus noster.

Save us O Saviour of the world, which by Thy cross and blood hast redeemed us, help us, we beseech Thee, O our God.

§ *All stand.*

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.

Grant, O Lord, we pray thee: that these our oblations may deliver us from every bond of iniquity, and obtain for us the bounteous gifts of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.**

§ *The celebrant sings the preface.*

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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. The Canon of the Mass follows.*

Jesus Christ is Lord:

O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

§ *The Canon concludes: Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.*

THE COMMUNION RITE

§ *The celebrant introduces the Lord's Prayer, which is sung by all.*

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.

AGNUS DEI

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

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

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.

§ *All reply:*

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. Low-gluten hosts are available at the Lady Altar station.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ev'ry one who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

John 11.26

§ *All sit or kneel to sing the hymn.*

IT IS a thing most wonderful,
Almost too wonderful to be,
That God's own Son should come from heaven,
And die to save a child like me.

And yet I know that it is true:
He chose a poor and humble lot,
And wept, and toiled, and mourned, and died
For love of those who loved him not.

But even could I see him die,
I could but see a little part
Of that great love, which, like a fire,
Is always burning in his heart.

It is most wonderful to know
His love for me so free and sure;
But 'tis more wonderful to see
My love for him so faint and poor.

And yet I want to love thee, Lord;
O light the flame within my heart,
And I will love thee more and more,
Until I see thee as thou art.

W. Walsham How, 1823-1897

HERONGATE

Essex folk song

Arranged by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

§ *All stand.*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, who hast taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for thee: give us the will to be the servant of others as thou wast the servant of all, who gavest up thy life and didst die for us, yet livest and reignest, now and for ever. **Amen.**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

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, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

§ *All sing the final hymn:*

**WE SING the praise of him who died,
Of him who died upon the Cross;
The sinner's hope let men deride,
For this we count the world but loss.**

**Inscribed upon the Cross we see
In shining letters, 'God is love';
He bears our sins upon the Tree;
He brings us mercy from above.**

**The Cross! it takes our guilt away;
It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day,
And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.**

**It makes the coward spirit brave,
And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
It takes its terror from the grave,
And gilds the bed of death with light;**

**The balm of life, the cure of woe,
The measure and the pledge of love,
The sinner's refuge here below,
The angels' theme in heaven above.**

Thomas Kelly, 1769-1854

BOW BRICKHILL
Sydney Nicholson, 1875-1947

ANGELUS *St Luke 1.28; 38; 42*

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.

We beseech thee, O Lord, to pour forth thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so, by his ☩ Cross and Passion, may we be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Welcome to All Saints', especially if you are visiting.

Please join us for coffee in the courtyard after Mass.

The Parish Bar will be open from 12.30pm.

PARISH NOTICES

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Evensong tonight

Bach | Tomkins | Walton

6pm

The Annunciation

Wednesday 25th is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. There will be a High Mass at 6.30pm, and the Parish Bar will be open afterwards. Please note there will be no Stations of the Cross or Holy Hour.

Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross after the 6.30pm Mass on Friday 27th.

Palm Sunday Evensong 6pm 29th March

Next week's Evensong will include a setting of the Magnificat by James Macmillan; Nunc by Orlando de Lassus; Kenneth Leighton's *Alone to Sacrifice* and *Christus factus est* by Anton Bruckner.

Passiontide Confessions

Confessions are heard before or after any Mass, or by appointment through the Parish Office. Look out for guest Confessors over Holy Week. Details in the flyer and in the Parish Email.

Chrism Mass

The Parish clergy will be attending Bishop Jonathan's Chrism Mass at St Andrew's Holborn on Tuesday, 31st March at 11am. All are welcome.

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday, 22nd March | LENT V

5.15pm Low Mass; *6pm Evensong & Benediction*
Bach | Tomkins | Walton

Monday, 23rd March | Lent Feria

12noon; 6.30pm

Tuesday, 24th March | Lent Feria

12noon; 6.30pm

Wednesday, 25th March | THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

12noon; 6.30pm High Mass

Haydn | Victoria | Grace

Preacher *Fr Alan Rimmer*

Thursday, 26th March | Lent Feria

12noon; 6.30pm

Friday, 27th March | Lent Feria

12noon; 6.30pm; *7pm Stations of the Cross*

Saturday, 28th March | Lent Feria

12noon; *6pm Confessions*; 6.30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, 29th March | PALM SUNDAY

8.30am Low Mass; 11am High Mass with Blessing of Palms & Procession

Rachmaninov | Stainer

Preacher: *Fr Julian Browning*

5.15pm Low Mass; *6pm Evensong & Benediction*

Macmillan | Lassus | Leighton | Bruckner | Tallis



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