

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

HIGH MASS | 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2026, 11am

§ *All stand when the sacristy bell rings.*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*O sing a new song to the Lord, alleluia; for he has worked wonders, alleluia; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.*

Psalm 98.1-3

**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.**

Dear brothers and sisters, filled with Easter joy, let us prepare our hearts for the celebration of this Mass by reminding ourselves of the new life we received through the waters of baptism, and Christ's triumph over death and sin.

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.

*I beheld water, which proceeded out of the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluya: and all they to whom that water came were healed every one: and they say, Alleluya. O give thanks unto the Lord for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth forever.*

Ezekiel 47.1; John 19.34; Psalm 117

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.**

§ *All sit when the celebrant has intoned the Gloria.*

*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 BREVIS**

§ *All stand.*

G. P. da Palestrina, c.1525-1594

### **THE COLLECT**

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: we humbly beseech thee that, as by thy grace preceding us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; 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** *Acts 7.55-60*

Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ‘Look,’ he said, ‘I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!’ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, ‘Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.’ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, ‘Lord, do not hold this sin against them.’ When he had said this, he died.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY 31.1-6; 15-16

*In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in thy righteousness. Bow down thine ear to me: make haste to deliver me. And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence: that thou mayest save me. For thou art my strong rock, and my castle: be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake. Draw me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou art my strength. Into thy hands I commend my spirit: for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth. For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude: and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me, and take their counsel to take away my life. But my hope hath been in thee, O Lord: I have said, Thou art my God.*

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2.4-9

Beloved: come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

‘See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.’

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

‘The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner’,

and

‘A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.’

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

§ *All stand.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL *John 14.1-14*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass. Alleluia. Christ, being raised from the dead, dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over him. 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 let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.’ Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.’

Philip said to him, ‘Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, “Show us the Father”? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY *Fr Julian Browning*

§ *All stand as the celebrant intones the Creed, then sit.*

*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.*

§ *All stand.*

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

Then came Jesus and stood in the midst of his disciples and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

§ *All sit.*

## OFFERTORY MOTET SURGENS JESUS

Peter Phillips, 1561-1628

*Surgens Jesus, Dominus noster stans in medio discipulorum suorum dixit: pax vobis. Alleluia. Gavisus sunt discipuli viso Domino, Alleluia.*

The risen Jesus, our Lord, stood in the midst of the disciples and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

St John 20.19-20

§ *All stand.*

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

§ *All reply:*

**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.**

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

O God, who by the wondrous operation of this sacrifice, hast made us partakers of thy glorious Godhead: grant we beseech thee; that we who are taught the knowledge of thy truth, may in all our conduct walk worthily of the same; 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.**

## 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.*

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.**

## 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 the Supper of the Lamb.

§ *All reply:*

**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst 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 both at the High Altar and at the Lady Altar in the North Aisle. Low gluten Hosts are available at the latter, which is also step-free.*

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.*

St John 15.5

§ *All kneel or sit to sing:*

**NOW** the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,  
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain,  
Thinking that he never would awake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
He that for three days in the grave had lain;  
Quick from the dead, my risen Lord is seen:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
Thy touch can call us back to life again,  
Fields of our hearts, that dead and bare have been:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

J.M.C. Crum, 1872-1958

**NOEL NOUVELET**

Old French Melody

Harmony by Martin Shaw, 1875-1958

§ *All stand.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life: grant us grace to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who liveth and reigneth, now and for ever. **Amen.**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

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

§ *All bow down for the blessing. All respond: Amen.*

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

§ *All sing.*

**YE THAT know the Lord is gracious,  
Ye for whom a cornerstone  
Stands, of God elect and precious,  
Laid that ye may build thereon,  
See that on that sure foundation  
Ye a living temple raise,  
Towers that may tell forth salvation,  
Walls that may re-echo praise.**

**Living stones, by God appointed  
Each to his allotted place,  
Kings and priests, by God anointed,  
Shall ye not declare his grace?  
Ye, a royal generation,  
Tell the tidings of your birth,  
Tidings of a new creation  
To an old and weary earth.**

**Tell the praise of him who called you  
Out of darkness into light,  
Broke the fetters that enthralled you,  
Gave you freedom, peace and sight:  
Tell the tale of sins forgiven,  
Strength renewed and hope restored,  
Till the earth, in tune with heaven,  
Praise and magnify the Lord.**

C.A. Allington, 1872-1955

**RUSTINGTON**

C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848-1918

REGINA CÆLI

**Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia!  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia!  
As he promised hath arisen, alleluia!  
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia!**

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!  
**For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!**

O God, who by the Resurrection of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, hast given joy unto the world: grant we beseech thee that by the help of his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY **PRAEAMBULUM No.13**

Heinrich Scheidemann, 1595-1663

*Welcome to All Saints', especially if you are visiting.  
Please join us after Mass for refreshments in the courtyard.  
The Parish Bar will be open from 12.30pm.*



*Collection is taken at the card reader at the back of church,  
or using this QR code. Thank you for your support.*

## PARISH NOTICES

### Walsingham Pilgrimages

*Places on the following pilgrimages can be booked using Eventbrite, following the link in the parish email or on the website.*

### **National Pilgrimage: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

£45 per head. Setting off 7.30am from Margaret Street, return late evening.

### **Weekend Pilgrimage: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2026**

Set off early afternoon on the Friday; return late evening Sunday. The cost is £240 and includes full board and transport from King's Lynn Station.

Pilgrims need to book their own train ticket.

### **Advent Retreat: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2026**

This year's retreat leader will be Bishop Peter Eagles. The cost of the retreat is £274. We will set off around midday on Friday and travel by train to King's Lynn, returning to King's Cross on Sunday around 7pm. Please note that pilgrims need to book their own train ticket.

### **Parish Walks**

Fr Alan will be leading a number of walks over the coming months, each around 10 miles and involving some climbs. Bring lunch. There will be a short pub stop on each, and the option of an early supper together at the end of the walk. *Be in touch with Fr Alan to sign up or ask for details.*

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June Chiltern Hills.**

10.27 Marylebone Station. Aylesbury Vale Parkway train to Wendover.

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July Surrey Hills.** 10.23 Waterloo Station. Dorking train to Box Hill & Westhumble.

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August Kent Downs.** 10.34 Charing Cross Station.

Ramsgate train to Wye.

## MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5.15 Low Mass; 6pm *Evensong & Benediction*  
Gibbons | Tallis | Victoria

Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> May | **The English Martyrs**  
12noon; 6.30pm

Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6.30pm

Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 5.30pm *Holy Hour*; 6.30pm

Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6.30pm

Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6.30pm

Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon Low Mass of Our Lady; 6pm *Confessions*; 6.30pm Vigil

Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> May

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.30am Low Mass; 11am High Mass

Preacher: *Fr Steve Rice*

Darke in E | Weelkes | Harris

5.15 Low Mass; 6pm *Evensong & Benediction*  
Moore | Armstrong Gibbs | Jackson | Wood

*Confessions may be heard before or after any Mass,  
or by appointment with the clergy.*

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