

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

HIGH MASS | 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2026, 11am

§ *All stand when the sacristy bell rings.*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you, alleluia; of you my heart has spoken:  
seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia.*

Psalm 27.8-9

**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 DUM COMPLERENTUR**

§ *All stand.*

Tomás Luis de Victoria, c.1548-1611

### **THE COLLECT**

O God the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: we beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Spirit to comfort us and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; 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 1.6-14*

So when they had come together, they asked him, ‘Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?’ He replied, ‘It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’ Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away.

When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

PSALMODY 68.1-10; 32-35

*Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away: and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God. But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God: let them also be merry and joyful. O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name: magnify him that rideth upon the heavens, as it were upon an horse; praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him. He is a father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows: even God in his holy habitation. He is the God that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity: but letteth the runagates continue in scarceness. O God, when thou wentest forth before the people: when thou wentest through the wilderness; The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God: even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel. Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance: and refreshedst it when it was weary. Thy congregation shall dwell therein: for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor. Ascribe ye the power to God over Israel: his worship and strength is in the clouds. O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places: even the God of Israel, he will give strength and power unto his people; blessed be God.*

EPISTLE 1 Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice in so far as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time.

Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

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

§ *All stand.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL *St John 17.1-11*

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

*I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world, and go to the Father. Alleluia...*

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.**

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, ‘Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours.

All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

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

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY

*The Vicar*

§ *All stand to sing 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.**

§ *Remain standing.*

## 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

Tomás Luis de Victoria, c.1548-1611

*Ascendens Christus in altum, alleluia. Captivam duxit captivitatem, alleluia. Dedit dona hominibus, alleluia. Ascendit Deus in jubilatione, et Dominus in voce tubae, alleluia. Dedit dona hominibus, alleluia. Cf. Ephesians 4; Psalm 68*

Christ is ascending on high, alleluia. He has led captivity captive, alleluia. He gave gifts to men, alleluia. God ascends amid jubilation, and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet, alleluia. He gave gifts to men, alleluia.

§ *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

Grant, O Lord, that this spotless sacrifice may cleanse us from all our sins: and shed forth within our souls the strength of thy heavenly grace; 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 COMMUNION RITE

### 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. [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 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

*Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.*

John 17.22

§ *All kneel or sit to sing:*

**LORD, enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
First-begotten from the dead,  
Thou alone, our strong defender,  
Liftest up thy people's head.  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
Jesu, true and living Bread!**

**Here our humblest homage pay we;  
Here in loving reverence bow;  
Here for Faith's discernment pray we,  
Lest we fail to know thee now.  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
Thou art here, we ask not how.**

**Though the lowliest form doth veil thee  
As of old in Bethlehem,  
Here as there thine angels hail thee,  
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
We in worship join with them.**

Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished  
Once for all when thou wast slain,  
In its fullness undiminished  
Shall for evermore remain,  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
Cleansing souls from every stain.  
Life-imparting heavenly Manna,  
Stricken Rock with streaming side,  
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna  
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
Risen, ascended, glorified!

G.H. Bourne, 1840-1925

ST HELEN

George Martin, 1844-1916

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, giver of love and power, whose Son Jesus Christ hath sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: so confirm us in this mission that our lives may show forth the good news which we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

§ *All bow down for the blessing.*

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 the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always. Amen. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

§ *All sing.*

**JESUS Christ is risen to-day, Alleluya!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluya!  
Who did once, upon the Cross, Alleluya!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluya!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluya!  
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluya!  
Who endured the Cross and grave, Alleluya!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluya!**

**But the pains that he endured Alleluya!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluya!  
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluya!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluya!**

*Lyra Davidica*, 1708

**EASTER HYMN**

Adapted from a melody in *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

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!**

**LLANFAIR**

Robert Williams of Anglesey, 1781-1821

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

**ALLEGRO MAESTOSO E VIVACE**

Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847

## PARISH NOTICES

Welcome to All Saints', especially if you are visiting. Please join us after Mass for refreshments in the courtyard. The Parish Bar opens at 12.30pm.

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



### Flowers

The flowers today are given by **Sandra Hill**. If you would like to make a donation for flowers or the courtyard garden, please contact Shawn directly or via the office.

### Bach Concert *Goldberg Variations*

Stevie Farr and Margaret Faultless will be giving a concert in aid of our music fundraising campaign on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. Tickets available on Eventbrite or on the door.



### Zoom Theology

Our next Zoom Theology takes place at 7pm on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Fr Matt Jacobson will lead us in a discussion of St Catherine of Siena. Zoom Link on the Parish Website and Weekly Email.

### 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**

£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 £240**

#### **Advent Retreat: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December £274.**

### Parish Walks

*Fr Alan will be leading a number of walks over the coming months, each around 10 miles and involving some climbs.*

#### **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.**

#### **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August Kent Downs.**

## MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> May

### SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5.15 Low Mass; 6pm *Evensong & Benediction*

Mathias | Gibbons | Vaughan Williams | Reger | Duruflé

Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6.30pm

Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6.30pm

Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 5.30pm *Holy Hour*; 6.30pm

Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6.30pm

Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6.30pm

Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May | Feria in Eastertide  
12noon; 6pm *Confessions*; 6.30pm Vigil

Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> May

### PENTECOST SUNDAY

8.30am Low Mass; 11am High Mass

Preacher: *Fr Alan Rimmer*

Dove *Missa Brevis* | Victoria | Duruflé

5.15 Low Mass; 6pm *Evensong & Benediction with Te Deum*

Leighton | Tallis | Elgar | Duruflé | Gibbons

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

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