ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET

SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

EVENSONG & BENEDICTION | 6pm, 15th November, 2026

§ *All stand when the bell rings.*

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…*

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.

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.**

EVENSONG

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 when the choir sits.*

PSALMODY | 89.19-37

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON | 1 Kings 1.15-40

§ *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.

Latin, c.8th century
Tr Percy Dearmer, 1867-1936

CANTICLES | **FAUXBOURDONS**
Orlando Gibbons, 1583-1625

MAGNIFICAT | 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.

§ *All sit.*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON | Revelation 1.4-18

§ *All stand.*

NUNC DIMITTIS | 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…

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 Catholick 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, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our blessed Lord &Saviour. **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.**

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

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. **Amen.**

§ *All sit.*

ADOLESCENTULUS SUM EGO

William Mundy, c.1529-1591

Adolescentulus sum ego et contemptus; justificationes tuas non sum oblitus.
Justitia tua, justitia in aeternum, et lex tua veritas.
Tribulatio et angustia invenerunt me; mandata tua meditatio mea est.
Aequitas testimonia tua in aeternum: intellectum da mihi, et vivam.

I am small, and of no reputation: yet do I not forget thy commandments. Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness: and thy law is the truth. Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me: yet is my delight in thy commandments. The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

Psalm 119.141-144

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

§ *All kneel.*

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA | Josquin des Prez, c.1450-1521

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.

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.**

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: **Have mercy on us.** *[Three times]*

TANTUM ERGO | William Byrd, c.1540-1623

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.

Thou gavest them bread from heaven.
Containing within itself all sweetness.

§ *Benediction is given. 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.

Let us adore, for ever, the most holy Sacrament.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY | **ADAGIO E DOLCE, BWV 527ii**
J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

PARISH NOTICES

Baptism & Confirmation

Our next class will be on **Tuesday, 17th November** after the 6.30pm Mass. If you are interested in being baptized and/or confirmed, please talk to Fr Alan. The Bishop will be with us next **Pentecost, 16th May, 2027**.

Advent Carol Service

Our Advent Carol Service will take place on Advent **Sunday, 29th November, at 6pm**. Music will include Handl, Holman, Ives, Parsons, Stanford and Nicholson, as well as favourite Advent Carols.

Carol Service Volunteers

Over Advent the Parish hosts a number of carol services for visiting schools, colleges and companies. We are asking for help to serve refreshments and steward these events. Ask Churchwarden Kate Hodgetts or Fr Alan for dates and details, please.

Zoom Theology

Our next session takes place on **Tuesday, 24th November at 7.30pm**. Professor Helen Bond will lead us in a discussion of St Mark's Gospel. Zoom link on the Parish Website.

Homeless Shelter Volunteering

Our next dates for facilitating the Night Shelter are as follows:
16th – 17th December 2026; 13th – 14th January 2027; 17th – 18th February 2027; 10th – 11th March 2027 Please be in touch with Fr Alan.

Confessions

Our next visiting confessor will be Fr Barry Orford, on **Tuesday 24th November at 11am**.

Welcome to All Saints', Margaret Street, especially if you are visiting. Please join us in the Parish Bar, which will be open for an hour after Benediction. Collection is taken at the card reader at the back of church, or using this QR code. Thank you for your support.

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Sunday, 15th November | SECOND BEFORE ADVENT
5.15pm Low Mass; 6pm *Evensong & Benediction*
Gibbons | Mundy | Josquin | Byrd | Bach

Monday, 16th November | St Edmund of Abingdon
12noon; 6.30pm

Tuesday, 17th November | St Hilda of Whitby
12noon; 6.30pm

Wednesday, 18th November | Feria
12noon; 6.30pm

Thursday, 19th November | Feria
12noon; 6.30pm

Friday, 20th November | St Edmund of England, King & Martyr
12noon; 6.30pm

Saturday, 21st November | Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12noon; 6pm *Confessions*
6.30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, 22nd November | CHRIST THE KING
8.30am Low Mass; 11am High Mass
Preacher: *Fr Alan Rimmer*
Gabriel Jacskon | Bairstow | Gowers
5.15pm Low Mass; 6pm *Evensong & Benediction*
Murrill | Bainton | Howells

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

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