

All Saints Kingston

Order for Choral Eucharist

Sunday, 20 October 2019 – 18th Sunday after Trinity

Welcome. If children want them, there are activities that take place elsewhere during the service - just come forward at the end of the first hymn to join the others. During the service, the choir sings some parts on our behalf in order to help us to pray.

The setting of the Mass today is *in F* (Ireland)

Silence is kept. We stand to sing:

Hymn 485

In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you.
and also with you.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The minister invites everyone to recall their shortcomings.
After a few moments we say together the prayer of confession.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us, forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your 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. Lord have mercy.

The Choir sings 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, 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.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

We sit for readings from the Old and New Testament. We stand to sing:

Hymn 216 (t.433) *At the end the gospel is announced.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the reading:

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

*We sit for the Sermon. Today's Preacher is the **Revd Mark Stafford**, after which silence may be kept. We stand for the Creed:*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*We sit or kneel to pray for the World, our Community and Ourselves
During the prayers this response may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer

and at the end:

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

Silence may be kept, after which we stand for the Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn 407 *during which a collection is taken for the work of our church and the bread and wine for Communion are brought to the altar.*

Holy Communion

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The priest says the first part of the eucharistic prayer, before the Choir sings:

Holy, holy, holy,

Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**All Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Sit or kneel for 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.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread with the words:

**We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Silence may be kept.

The priest invites everyone to receive communion.

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Everyone is welcome to come to the altar to receive communion or a blessing. The sidespeople will direct you.

The Choir sings:

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.

*Followed by the motet **O Sacrum convivium** (Lassus)*

O sacrum convivium!
in quo Christus sumitur:
recolitur memoria passionis eius:
mens impletur gratia:
et futuræ gloriæ nobis pignus datur.
Alleluia. Amen.

*O sacred banquet! in which Christ is received,
the memory of his Passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace,
and a pledge of future glory to us is given. Alleluia. Amen*

The priest prays the post communion prayer:

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen**

Then we say together:

**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We sit for the notices then stand to sing:

Hymn: 440 (omit *)

The Blessing after which the minister says:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

The organ is: Gigout *Toccata*

NOTICES AND NEWS

Vestry Office opening hours

We are needing to make a change in the way that the Vestry Office works. In order for Jenny and Pippa to have time to do the many desk-based jobs that they are required to do, the Office will now be open for anyone to drop in to from 10am to 1pm on Monday to Friday. However, from 1pm onwards, the door will be locked and meetings with either Jenny and Pippa will need to have been arranged beforehand. We know that this will feel like quite a change, for which we apologise, but it is necessary if we are to let them achieve the length and breadth of their jobs.

All Saints and All Souls - preacher and special service

Our patronal festival will be on the 3rd of November with the Archdeacon of Wandsworth, the Ven John Kiddle, coming to preach at the 9.30 service. In the evening, as is our custom, we will have a service of Holy Communion instead of Evensong to mark All Souls day. If you would like a departed loved one remembered by name at that service please write their name on the sheet by the south door.

Rev Mark Stafford's Licensing at St John the Evangelist

As many of you will know, Mark Stafford, taking the service today, will be licensed as Vicar of our sister church St John the Evangelist, Grove Lane on Monday 28th October at 7.30pm. Please do come if you can to support him and our friends at St John's.

A home for the Haven

The Haven is a night shelter run by Kingston Churches Action on Homelessness for people with nowhere to stay during the hard months of the winter. This year we have been asked to be its main host and, though it presents some complications, we have agreed to do so. There should be no great impact on our day to day life. It starts on November 3rd. Please keep the guests who will come, and the volunteers and staff that will serve them in your prayers.

Help with the Christmas Tree Festival help needed

Can you help erect trees and put up lights on our 25 trees for our festival? Help is needed on the 9th December from 12pm onwards. The festival launches with an event attended by the Mayor on the 14th December at 11am.

More midweek evensongs through the autumn

Wednesdays the 23rd October, **13th November and 11th December** at 5.30pm (please note the change of date). All welcome.

Link to Hope shoebox appeal

As in previous years we're inviting anyone who can to fill a shoe box with essentials to help families in Eastern Europe, forms are now available in church. Please have a careful read before you start, as some of the requirements for gifts and boxes are very specific. Filled and wrapped boxes need to be brought into the church office by the end of October.

Invest in peace for Palestine - Tuesday 26 November at 7.30pm

A discussion between an Israeli and a Palestinian at a Kingston venue. All welcome. Please register on Eventbrite for details of the venue.

Readings and music for 27 October 2019:

9.30am Ecclesiasticus 35:12-17; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14
Mass: *A New English Folk Mass* (NEH 541)

6pm Ecclesiastes 11, 12; 2 Timothy 2:1-7

Genesis 32:22-31 The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Luke 18:1-8 Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." 'And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'