

All Saints Kingston

14 March 2021 –4th Sunday of Lent
(live and streamed service from the Church)

Please: see the notices at the end, note that this service is filmed and broadcast on YouTube

*The setting of the mass today is **Mass XVII***

A hymn is played (458)

The Lord my pasture shall prepare,
And feed me with a shepherd's care;
His presence shall my wants supply,
And guard me with a watchful eye;
My noonday walks he shall attend,
And all my midnight hours defend.

When in the sultry glebe I faint,
Or on the thirsty mountain pant,
To fertile vales and dewy meads
My weary wandering steps he leads,
Where peaceful rivers, soft and slow,
Amid the verdant landscape flow.

Though in a bare and rugged way
Through devious lonely wilds I stray,
Thy bounty shall my pains beguile;
The barren wilderness shall smile
With sudden green and herbage crowned
And streams shall murmur all around.

Though in the paths of death I tread,
With gloomy horrors overspread,
My steadfast heart shall fear no ill,
For thou, O Lord, art with me still:
Thy friendly staff shall give me aid,
And guide me through the dreadful shade.

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.*

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
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 Kyrie:

Lord, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy
Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

The Old Testament reading

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.' The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the Lord establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.' She left him there for the Lord.

1 Samuel 1.20-end

The New Testament reading

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3.12-17

A responsorial psalm: Psalm 136

R.) O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps. (R.)

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. "Sing to us," they said, "one of Zion's songs." (R.)

O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! (R.)

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! (R.)

The Gospel is announced

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

All Glory to you, O Lord.

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' **Luke 2.33-35**

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon by the Rev'd William Allberry

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.

Intercessions

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.

The Peace:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Holy Communion

God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love. Accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen

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 and then we say

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 glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and 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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.

Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe.

Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All 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.**

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.

We say together the prayer of Spiritual Reception:

**Come Lord Jesus, dwell in me
and send your Holy Spirit that I may be filled with your presence.
As the hem of your garment,
touched in faith,
healed the woman in the gospel,
so may I be healed.
Although I cannot receive you in the sacrament,
I can through this offering of my prayer,
receive you in my heart;
grant this for Christ's sake. Amen**

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world
grant us peace

*The Motet – **Bruckner 'Ave Maria'***

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum;
benedicta tu in mulieribus,
et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus [Christus].
Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,
ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus [Christ].
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

The priest prays the post communion prayer:

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters
and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to endure the sufferings of
this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Then we say together:

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

**Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living
sacrifice.**

**Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your
praise and glory. Amen**

A Hymn is played (185)

We of the blessed Mother
Who received the angel's word,
And obedient to his summons
Bore in love the infant Lord;
Sing we of the joys of Mary
At whose breast that child was fed
Who is Son of God eternal
And the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too of Mary's sorrows,
Of the sword that pierce her through,
When beneath the cross of Jesus
She his weight of suffering knew,
Looked upon her Son and Saviour
Reigning high on Calvary's tree,
Saw the price of man's redemption
Paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary
When she saw the risen Lord,
And in prayer with Christ's apostles,
Waited on his promised word:
From on high the blazing glory
Of the Spirit's presence came,
Heavenly breath of God's own being,
Manifest through wind and flame.

Sing the chiefest joy of Mary
When on earth her work was done,
And the Lord of all creation
Brought her to his heavenly home:
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed,
Raised on high and crowned with
grace,
May your Son, the world's redeemer,
Grant us all to see his face.

The Blessing after which the minister says:

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

NOTICES

Plans towards opening up - help always needed

Our hopes continue that, as long as there is no adverse news regarding infection rates, that the church will reopen for “private prayer” on Monday March 29th. Anyone willing to help us keep the building open by being one of the two volunteers to be in the building please let Jonathan know.

PALM SUNDAY, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Again, assuming nothing adverse comes along to scupper our plans, we hope to have a full run of services for Holy Week and Easter. These are:

Palm Sunday - Sung Eucharist 9.30am (note: NO 8am Holy Communion or Evensong)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - Compline 8.30pm

Maundy Thursday - sung Eucharist remembering the Washing of Feet and Last Supper 7.30pm

Good Friday - Venerating the Cross 1.30pm

Easter Day - Lighting the Easter flame (outside) 6am, Sung Eucharist at 9am AND* 10.30am , Evensong 6pm (note: NO 8am Holy Communion)

*because of the restriction on numbers we will have two main Easter Sunday morning services

Booking for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter

To come to any of the services for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter we are going to run a booking system through the church office. If you would like to come to any of the services above please email info@allsaintskingston.co.uk with your name and number of people who will be coming. After Easter, we will return to the Eventbrite booking system (from the 11th April onwards).

Singing and Choirs

Very sadly, it seems likely that rules about choirs and singing will remain in place for now. This means that we will only be allowed to have a small group of 3 people singing at any of our services and that there will continue to be no congregational singing.

HELP IN THE CHURCH YARD

With opening up about to happen we're asking if there are any volunteers to help do a bit of work in the Churchyard on Saturday 27th March between 10am and 12pm. If you can help please contact Carys Griffiths on ecgriffiths2002@hotmail.com. She'd love all the support she can get!!

Speakers at Coffee by Zoom

Continues with a meeting after church on Sundays (contact Hilary English on english@care4free.net) and there are also meetings on Thursday at 10.30am (contact Jennifer Pearce on jennifer.pearce2010@gmail.com) and Friday at 10.30am (contact Mary Mundy on mundymary@icloud.com). *Everyone is very welcome*

Speakers at the upcoming 2 Thursday meetings: March 18 - Sally Ward - talking about the artist of the year competition and portrait painting in general and March 25 - Mary Warman - about being in the Royal Opera House Orchestra and her story of how she became a cellist.

Christian Aid - thanks all round

After a long and faithful term in office, Keith Long and Ian Williamson have stood down this year as the All Saints representatives on the local Christian Aid committee. They have served the committee, and led the All Saints effort, in this most important of work with great dedication, imagination and love. In doing this work on our behalf we have a great deal to thank them. Our great respect, admiration and gratitude goes to them. We are delighted that, as their last act of service, they have found two wonderful replacements in Angelina Jathanna and Tsetsy Kavanazova. Big thanks and praise to them, too. We're right behind you!

Not too late to join a group for Lent

On Wednesdays (from the 24th February) in Lent at 7.30pm there will be the chance to meet on Zoom to discuss together some "Scripture for a Pandemic" led by our clergy, Reader and placement Student by way of a Lent group. If you would like to join us please email the office (info@allsaintskingston.co.uk) and we will send you a booklet with the chosen readings and the Zoom link. All are very welcome.

Bishop's Lent Call

Details of the Bishop of Southwark's Lent call supporting projects in the UK and abroad, including addressing food security in The Diocese can be found at:

<https://southwark.anglican.org/lentcall>

If you'd like to support these projects please contact the office on

info@allsaintskingston.co.uk

May they rest in peace

As the tide of national grief rises around us you may know of someone who might be interested to know about www.ataloss.org which helps bereaved people find the support that they need and works to ensure that there are sufficient services for those suffering the loss of loved ones.

Book of Remembrance

We've had a really good suggestion of creating an online virtual Book of Remembrance for those who have tragically lost their lives during the Coronavirus Pandemic. If you know of anyone, the family of whom would welcome them being remembered on the page, then please email Jonathan (jonathan@allsaintskingston.co.uk) or the office (office@allsaintskingston.co.uk)

Holy Communion on Wednesday at 12 noon on YouTube

A Holy Communion service will be streamed again on Wednesday at 12 noon.

RBKares - New Appeal

Kingston Hospital are treating record numbers of teenagers who are self-harming because of COVID restrictions and are urgently appealing through RBKares for fidget spinners or any hand-held fidget toys that reduce anxiety. And if you'd like to support some of our NHS staff locally see

<https://kingston.nub.news/n/how-rbkares-are-making-a-difference-for-the-staff-of-kingston-hospital>

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