

# All Saints Kingston

7 March 2021 –3rd 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 (376)**

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“Come unto me and rest.  
Lay down, O weary one,  
lay down your head upon my breast.”  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
so weary, worn, and sad.  
I found in him a resting place,  
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“Behold, I freely give  
the living water, thirsty one;  
stoop down and drink and live.”  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream.  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“I am this dark world’s light.  
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright.”  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in him my star, my sun,  
and in that light of life I’ll walk  
till travelling days are done.

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

**Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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**

*The Old Testament reading*

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour. **Exodus 20:1-17**

*The New Testament reading*

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this

age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. **1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

*A responsorial psalm: Psalm 18*

R.) You have the message of eternal life, O Lord

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.  
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is holy, a bidding forever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

They are more to be desir'd than gold, than the purest of gold.  
And sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb.

*The Gospel is announced*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that

he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken. **John 2:13-22**

*At the end of the reading:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon by the **one of our readers, Isobel Robinson***

*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 – **Battishill ‘O Lord, look down from heaven’***

O Lord, look down from heaven,  
and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory:  
Where is Thy zeal and Thy strength, Thy mercies toward me? are they restrained?

*The priest prays the post communion prayer:*

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; 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 (414)**

O for a closer walk with God,  
a calm and heavenly frame,  
a light to shine upon the road  
that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return,  
sweet messenger of rest;  
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,  
and drove thee from my breast.

The dearest idol I have known,  
whate'er that idol be,  
help me to tear it from thy throne,  
and worship only thee.

So shall my walk be close with God,  
calm and serene my frame;  
so purer light shall mark the road  
that leads me to the Lamb.

*The Blessing after which the minister says:*

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

# NOTICES

## **Improving our streaming**

*Hopefully...* by the time this Sunday's service comes along we will have a new internet provider. It may not work out but we're experimenting with a mobile signal to provide our internet rather than a copper wire (fiber's not possible at the moment). There could be some problems and it may not work but we thought it worth giving it a go. It might just mean that there is less pixilation on the stream (where the picture becomes seriously disrupted). Let us know how you find it?

## **There's light, but more tunnel still to go**

The way out of lock down was mapped out by the Prime Minister last week but it showed that the journey to the promised land will take a while. We met as a group of Wardens and Deputy Wardens to discuss it and agreed unanimously that, though we hope that it might be possible (hope...) to have some services during Holy Week and at Easter, we cannot see a way to opening the church, for private prayer or communal worship, before the 29th March when the Stay at Home order comes to an end. At the moment, advice to churches from the central church and from Bishops in the Diocese remains that we should be cautious and so we will reassess what might, or might not, be possible for Holy Week and Easter in the second half of March. The slow pace of reopening is a disappointment to us all and will not be agreed by everyone but we believe it to be the best decision on the balance of all the information available to us. Please don't hesitate to contact Jonathan or one of the Wardens if you would like to discuss it.

## **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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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 love 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](mailto:jonathan@allsaintskingston.co.uk)) or the office ([office@allsaintskingston.co.uk](mailto: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>

## **Coffee by Zoom**

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

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