

All Saints Kingston

22 August 2021 – 12th Sunday after Trinity
(Live and streamed service from the Church)

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

*An additional welcome to **Matilda**, who is to be baptised today.*

Please consider continuing to wear your mask.

*We sing the **mass setting** number **541 in the hymn book**, starting at the **Gloria**
Silence is kept.*

*We stand to sing **Hymn 373 (tune: Coe Fen) – please wear a mask***

How shall I sing that majesty
Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand
sound
Thy praise; but who am I?
Thy brightness unto them appears,
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;
A sound of God comes to my ears,
But they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun
There alleluyas be.

Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
Inflame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and bear a part
With that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
With all my fire and light;
Yet when thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is thine,
Which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
To sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
A sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore,
Thy place is everywhere.

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.

We sing the Gloria – on the back of this booklet

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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 Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. 'Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling

to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.' Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.' **Joshua 24:1-2a**

The New Testament reading

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak. **Ephesians 6:10-20**

A Responsorial Psalm: 104 (at hymn 537)

R: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth

Praise the Lord O my soul,
O Lord God, your glory is great:
How manifold are your works,
In wisdom you have made them all. **R**

All creatures look to you,
To give them their food to eat:
When you open your hand, they are filled
with good,
When you hide your face, they pine
away. **R**

When you take away their breath, they
die,
And return to the earth whence they
came:
When you send forth your spirit, all
things spring to life,
And the face of the earth is renewed. **R**
The glory of the Lord shall never cease,
The Lord shall rejoice in all his works:
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live,
I will raise my God while my breath
remains. **R**

We stand to sing:

The Gospel is announced

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.' Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.' **John 6:56-69**

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

*Sermon by **the Rev'd Sandy Cragg***

*We stand to sing **Hymn 415 (tune II)– please wear a mask***

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.
Jesus – the name that charms our
fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.
He speaks; and, listening to his
voice,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye
dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come,
And leap, ye lame, for joy.
My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
And spread through all the earth
abroad
The honours of Thy name.

*After the sermon, we will process to the font, for the baptism of **Matilda Elizabeth Rose***

Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome **Matilda Elizabeth Rose** and uphold her in their new life in Christ?

All - With the help of God, we will.

Parents and godparents, the Church receives those being baptised with joy. Today we are trusting God for their growth in faith. Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith and walk with them in the way of Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism they begin their journey in faith.

You speak for them today. Will you care for them, and help them to take their place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore I ask:

Do you turn to Christ?

We turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?

We repent of our sin?

Do you renounce evil?

We renounce evil.

Let us affirm, together with **Matilda Elizabeth Rose**, our common faith:

Do we believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in God.

Do we believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in God.

Do we believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in God.

This is the faith of the church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The priest asks for God's blessing on the water and then says:

Praise God who made heaven and earth

Who keeps his promise for ever.

The priest then baptises **Matilda Elizabeth Rose**.

I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

I sign you with the sign of the cross. Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified but fight valiantly under his banner against sin and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life. **Amen**

Receive this light of Christ. God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

May God who has received you by Baptism into his church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children together of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

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.

Offertory Hymn 296 - *please wear a mask*

A collection will be taken. You may wish to use the card reader in the central crossing

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
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,
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,
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,
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,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

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 and then we say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes 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:

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.

[Those joining from home via YouTube may wish to say – 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

Organ music is played

The priest prays the post communion prayer:

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of 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**

Hymn 372 (tune 185) – please wear a mask

He who would valiant be
'Gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master.
There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound--
His strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
Though he with giants fight:
He will make good his right
To be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend
Us with thy Spirit,
We know we at the end
Shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labor night and day
To be a pilgrim.

The Blessing after which the minister says:

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

Notices

Covid precautions at services

When coming to services at All Saints please:

- consider continuing to wear a face mask where possible
- ONLY sing the hymns if you are wearing a face mask
- use the hand sanitiser when you arrive
- sit at least one chair away from anyone with whom you are not “bubbled”
- use the chairs along the walls if you wish particularly to be at distance from others
- share the “peace” by knocking elbows and only with people near to you
- sign in via the QR code on your mobile phone (or at the door)
- avoid talking to people during the voluntary if you are not wearing a mask
- follow the one-way system for receiving Communion as directed by the sides

people

There is no need to book a place via Eventbrite any longer

The prayer of Spiritual Reception

You will see in the service today a small change to the prayers before Communion. With the formal end of lock down measures we will now NOT say the prayer of Spiritual Reception during the service but have left it printed in the order for those at home to say themselves.

Lunchtime recitals return!

Wonderful news! Our series of Monday lunchtime recitals returns in September with two home team favourites: Stephen Westrop on 6th September and Mary Mundy (Warman) on 13th September. All are very welcome. Admission is free.

Changes to parking in Thames Street

Despite our best protests the Council are introducing a pedestrian only zone in Thames Street from the 26th July. There will still be disabled bays in Bishops Hall and in Thames Street itself (though half as many). If you would prefer to park in the Guildhall please contact Jonathan or the office.

Thumbs Up It's Thursday

We are thrilled that our very popular and hugely valuable summer events in church for *Thumbs Up It's Thursday* have now returned. However, we need a few more volunteers. If you can help, please contact Pippa on heritage@allsaintskingston.co.uk.

The next is on **Thursday 26th August: Summer Crafts**, 11.30am to 2.30pm, Enjoy the highlights of craft activities from the summer – from decorating crowns to making musical instruments; no booking required- but spaces will be limited to allow social distancing. Accompanied children only.

Shoebox Appeal

Link to Hope shoebox appeal leaflets now available for collection after the service. Please follow the instructions carefully on how to complete before you tape onto the box; bring completed boxes to the vestry office by 31 October. Alternatively, if you wish to make a donation then please go to:

www.linktohope.co.uk/shoebox-appeal-2021/shoebox-contributions

- Don't forget the Gift Aid! Thank you

Thursday morning Communion returns in September

From the start of September we will begin again our Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer in church at 10.30am on Thursdays. This is as well as the Wednesday Communion at 12noon which will continue.

Help furnish a flat for Refugee family

KCRS will be welcoming their first Refugee family in a few weeks time, we don't know yet whether Syrian or Afghan. Their house needs equipping with new or good second hand items, list online at <https://bit.ly/KCRS-family-wants>

More info sandycragg26@gmail.com.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Revd William Allberry invites anyone interested for a 'taster' session in St Mark's church, Surbiton at 7.30pm on Thursday 26th August. A pilgrimage is planned for February 2022, although in view of continuing uncertainty about travel restrictions, it is possible that we might defer this for 6 months, or even a year. But do come to be inspired! Further details from William (97818 641576).



*QR Code if you wish to make a donation via your phone
With Thanks*

Readings for 29 August – 13th Sunday after Trinity

9:30am
Evensong

Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 6-9 & James 1:17-end
Exodus 12:21-27 & Matthew 4:23-5:20

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