

All Saints Kingston

5th December 2021 – 2nd Sunday of Advent
(Live and streamed service from the Church)

Please see the notices at the end; note that this service is filmed and broadcast on YouTube.
Please remember to turn off your mobile phone

Please wear a mask/face covering at all times unless you are exempt.

The setting of the mass today is by Berkeley Missa brevis.

We stand to sing Hymn 5

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 Choir sings the Kyrie:

Kyrie, eleison
Christe, eleison
Kyrie, eleison

*Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy*

The Collect

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and God. Amen

The Old Testament reading

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. **Malachi 3: 1-4**

The New Testament reading

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God. **Philippians 1: 3-11**

We stand to sing Hymn 12

The Gospel is announced

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

All Glory to you, O Lord.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the

wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." '**Luke 3: 1-6**

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the Sermon by today's preacher Rev'd Michael Johns-Perring, Curate of St Andrew's and St Mark's, Surbiton

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.

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 408

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

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!**

Lord God, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendour and light yet, in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ, you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation; loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us; dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all he 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 we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with power from on high.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in 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.**

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 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

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

The Motet: Bairstow Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and stand with fear and trembling,
and lift itself above all earthly thought.

For the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Christ our God,
cometh forth to be our oblation,
and to be given for food to the faithful.
Before him come the choirs of angels,
with every principality and power;
the Cherubim with many eyes, and winged Seraphim,
who veil their faces as they shout exultantly the hymn,
Alleluia.

The priest prays the Post Communion prayer:

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; 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**

Hymn 420

The Blessing, after which the minister says:

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

Notices

'Church Life Review'

Every PCC meeting has a 'Church Life Review' item on the agenda. If there's anything you think we could be doing better, or should be doing differently or actually not doing at all, or if there are things you think are working particularly well, please mention it to one of the Churchwardens or to another PCC member and it will be considered by the PCC. The next PCC meeting is on Wednesday 8th December.

Choral Evensong: Wednesdays at 5.30pm (during term time)

One of Kingston's best kept secrets, and well worth discovering for yourself, this short service (about 35 minutes) has become a well-established part of our weekly round of services. '*An oasis of peace and tranquility in the middle of my busy week*'. '*Beautiful music in beautiful surroundings – a real tonic for my spirituality*'. Why not give it a try?

Oberammergau Passion Play 2022

Revd William Allberry and Joan are leading a group to see the 10-yearly passion play in Germany in May next year – put back from 2020. The tour includes a 5-night holiday in the lakes and mountains of Austria finishing with two nights in the Passion Play village. Full details from William on 07818 641576 (wallberry49@gmail.com). (Please note: the Holy Land pilgrimage planned for February next year will be put back to February/March 2023.)

The All Saints Advent Shop

Our unique Advent Calendar Card is now on sale in our Shop at £3.50, purchased through the café. Don't forget to buy our Christmas Cards too! £4.50 for a pack of 10. The advent candles have now sold out.

Book group

All Saints Book Group is continuing to meet on the fourth Sunday of the month at 12 noon. This month we are reading 'Personal Pleasures' by Rose Macauley, a series of essays on enjoying life. The next meeting to discuss this will be on Sunday 28th November. New members are very welcome, whether or not you've read the book. For more information please speak to Anne Nicholson or email at annenicholson2@icloud.com

Christmas Tree Festival

This will run from Dec 18th to Jan 9th. We will be bringing the trees into church and setting them in stands from 4pm on Thursday 16th Dec. Help with this would really be appreciated. Also, help with putting the lights on and decorating them will be needed on Friday 17th Dec. from 10am. If you could help on either day please contact Liz Deller on 07966217757 or email: lizdeller@blueyonder.co.uk Many hands make light work so the more the merrier! Thank you.

Lunchtime recital: Monday 6th December 1.15pm

Stephen Westrop – organ recital. All are very welcome. Admission is free.

Contact details for Jonathan

Jonathan is no longer using his 'All Saints' email address, and the auto-responder will offer some other people to contact instead. His mobile telephone will also not work. However, he can be contacted on (ask902@googlemail.com). This mailbox will be checked a few times each week and Jonathan has said that he will gladly reply if you'd like to stay touch.



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

Readings for 12 December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:30am

6:00pm

Zephaniah 3:14-end; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

Isaiah 35; Luke 1:57-end

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