



All Saints Church, Kingston-upon-Thames

The Ancient Parish Church of Kingston

28 January 2024 (4th Sunday after Epiphany)

Welcome to this Service of Choral Eucharist. The Celebrant is Rosamond McDowell, Associate Priest at Great St Bartholomew's in the City of London and at St Mary with St Alban Teddington where she lives. The preacher is Revd Sarah Williams, Curate.

The service is filmed and broadcast on our YouTube channel. Please sit in the back three rows if you want to avoid being filmed.

Please stay for refreshments in the east end of the church after the service and do remember to always keep your belongings with you.

<u>Hymns</u>	466	Thou whose almighty word
	358	Father of heaven, whose love profound
	431	O thou who camest from above
	490	Judge eternal, throned in splendour

Mass Setting Vann *Missa Sancti Pauli*

Collect God our creator,
who in the beginning
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ
may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief,
shine into the hearts of all your people,
and reveal the knowledge of your glory
 in the face 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**

Motet Whitlock *'Here, O my Lord'*

1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face; Here would we touch and handle things unseen; Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace And all my weariness upon Thee lean.	2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God, Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven; Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.
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Readings

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at

Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.' Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.'

Psalms 111

- 1 I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart: secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.
- 2 The works of the Lord are great: sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.
- 3 His work is worthy to be praised and had in honour: and his righteousness endureth for ever.
- 4 The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in remembrance.
- 5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works: that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.
- 7 The works of his hands are verity and judgement: all his commandments are true.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever: and are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth for ever.

Revelation 12:1-5a

A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth. Then another portent appeared in heaven: a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child, so that he might devour her child as soon as it was born. And she gave birth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron. But her child was snatched away and taken to God and to his throne;

Mark 1:21-28

The disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—

with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Post Communion Collect

Generous Lord,
in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love:
help us so to live out our days
that we may be signs of your wonders in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

News and Events

Weekly Eco-tip

Reduce plastic waste by swapping from shower gel/shampoo/hand gel to soap form.
Can also use a refill store to avoid plastic waste with hand gel, washing up liquid, washing liquid, etc.

Candlemas, Christingles and Junior Choir Next Sunday we will be celebrating Candlemas with a special service at 9.30am. This will involve the making of Christingles in Children's Church and the first appearance of our new Junior Choir in our Sunday worship. Then at 6pm we have a special candlelit Choral Evensong.

Faith Talks – Climate change: is civil disobedience justifiable? - the first of the series of Faith Talks, hosted by the Bishop of Kingston, will take place here at 6pm on Wednesday 31st January. The main speaker is Ruth Valerio, environmentalist, theologian, social activist and author. Please pick up a leaflet from the Welcome Desk. Admission is free but it would help us if you book now via www.ticketsource.co.uk (search Kingston Faith Talks).

Confirmation Courses – these will start in March, leading up to a Confirmation Service at All Saints on Sunday May 12th at 6pm. We will run a group for Young People (aged 11 and above) and a group for Adults. Please see Joe or Sarah if you're interested. The timing of the sessions will be dependent on the availability of candidates, but the Young People's group will likely be on Sunday afternoons and the Adult group on weekday evenings.

Parish Quiet Day - as part of our Lent reflections, Sarah Williams will be running a Parish Quiet Day at the House of Prayer, East Molesey on 20th February 10am – 3pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided but you are asked to bring your own packed lunch. The day will be reflective in nature with a focus on silence, prayer and Scripture. Everyone is welcome. A donation of £10 per person would be appreciated to cover the costs of the day. For more information or to sign up, please email Sarah (sarah@allsaintskingston.co.uk)

Lent Pilgrimage for Climate - The Rt Revd Dr Martin Gainsborough, Bishop of Kingston, invites you to join him on a journey of prayer, repentance and vision for justice in our response to the climate and ecological crisis. Everyone is welcome, and walks are accessible to all ages. There are six separate walks taking place across the Diocese of Southwark during Lent. The walk on Feb 24th leaves from this Church at 10.30am and goes via Richmond Park to Wimbledon Common. For further information visit: bit.ly/3ROkDPy or see posters.

Let us pray... Evensong Sermons for Lent 2024

- Feb 18th Gemma Simmonds: Praying with St Ignatius
- Feb 25th Richard Carter: Praying with a Community
- March 3rd Stephen Cherry: Praying with Humility

- March 10th Mark Oakley: Praying with Poetry
- March 17th Pete Greig: Praying with the Spirit

Lent Discussion Groups will reflect on the previous Sunday's sermon (which can be watched on YouTube). Each group will meet for five weeks, from the week beginning Feb 19th to the week beginning March 18th.

- Tuesdays 3.00pm – 4.30pm at St John the Evangelist, Spring Grove, Kingston
- Tuesdays 7.00 – 8.30pm at St John the Baptist, Kingston Vale
- Tuesdays 7.30pm – 9.00pm at Kingston United Reformed Church
- Wednesdays 10.30am – 12noon at All Saints Kingston
- Wednesdays 7.30pm – 9.00pm on Zoom (hosted by Kingston URC)

A leaflet will soon be available with further information on how to book a place.

Lunchtime Recitals – the start of the spring season of lunchtime recitals has been postponed until Monday 5th February and will be with Michael Bevan (piano), 12 Feb will be Mitra Alice Tham (piano). These are free to attend and everyone is welcome.

Saxon Kings Update – Edward the Elder, first in the series, is now in production in embroiderer Jacky's Bath studio. We need to raise the money for framing him - could you help by hosting a coffee morning for your friends and neighbours? Either at home, or by arrangement in the Church café, and Leo or Sandy could bring along the embroidered samples for viewing. Contact Sandy at sandycragg26@gmail.com

Bereavement Café – this is a space to talk about bereavement and to find mutual support and encouragement from others who understand the experience of loss. No booking necessary. **Every other Wednesday** 2.00 - 3.30 pm at All Saints Church. **Next session is on Jan 31st**. Flyers are available in the church with further details.

Book Group - the next meeting will be on Sunday 25 February at 12.00 noon in the Church café. They will be discussing The Second Sleep by Robert Harris, a dystopian thriller. New members would be very welcome. For more information contact annenicholson2@icloud.com

Chess Group – join the drop-in chess group at 10am for two hours **every Wednesday** unless rescheduled by group leader. This is for any level (no experience required). Refreshments are available to buy from the church café. Free to attend with a suggested donation to church costs. Boards will be available - bring your own if you have one. Everyone welcome.

Youth Café – this runs from 4-5pm every Sunday in term-time in the church café. It's open to all Young People aged 11-18.

Services This Week:

Tues Holy Communion at 12 noon

Wed

Holy Communion at 12 noon

Choral Evensong at 5:30pm

Thurs

Holy Communion at 12 noon

Distress Meditation at 5:30pm

Sunday

Holy Communion at 8am

Choral Eucharist at 9:30am

Choral Evensong at 6pm

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