



**ALL SAINTS
KINGSTON**

The Parish Church of All Saints

The Ancient Parish Church of Kingston

28 April 2024 (5th Sunday of Easter)

Welcome to Choral Evensong. Revd Sarah Williams is officiating and preaching this evening. The service is filmed and broadcast on our YouTube channel. Please sit in the back three rows if you want to avoid being filmed.

<u>Hymns</u>	471	We love the place, O God
	74	O for a heart to praise my God
	381	Jerusalem the golden

Responses Gibbons/Barnard

Canticles *Weelkes Service 'For Trebles'*

Introit Bruckner '*Locus iste*'

Locus iste a Deo factus est.
Inestimabile sacramentum irreprehensibilis est.

This place was made by God.
A priceless mystery, it is beyond reproach.

Psalm 149

- 1 O SING unto the Lord a new song: let the congregation of saints praise him.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.
- 4 For the Lord hath pleasure in his people: and helpeth the meek-hearted.
- 5 Let the saints be joyful with glory: let them rejoice in their beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth: and a two-edged sword in their hands;
- 7 To be avenged of the heathen: and to rebuke the people;

- 8 To bind their kings in chains: and their nobles with links of iron.
- 9 That they may be avenged of them, as it is written: Such honour have all his saints.

Readings

Isaiah 60: 1-14

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord. All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister to you; they shall be acceptable on my altar, and I will glorify my glorious house. Who are these that fly like a cloud, and like doves to their windows? For the coastlands shall wait for me, the ships of Tarshish first,

to bring your children from far away, their silver and gold with them, for the name of the Lord your God, and for the Holy One of Israel, because he has glorified you. Foreigners shall build up your walls, and their kings shall minister to you; for in my wrath I struck you down, but in my favour I have had mercy on you. Your gates shall always be open; day and night they shall not be shut, so that nations shall bring you their wealth, with their kings led in procession. For the nation and kingdom that will not serve you shall perish; those nations shall be utterly laid waste. The glory of Lebanon shall come to you, the cypress, the plane, and the pine,

to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will glorify where my feet rest. The descendants of those who oppressed you shall come bending low to you, and all who despised you shall bow down at your feet; they shall call you the City of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Revelation 3: 1-13

'And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: These are the words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars:

'I know your works; you have a name for being alive, but you are dead. Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is at the point of death, for I have not found your works perfect in the sight of my God. Remember then what you received and heard; obey it, and repent. If you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come to you. Yet you have still a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes; they will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. If you conquer, you will be clothed like them in white robes, and I will not blot your name out of the book of life; I will confess your name before my Father and before his angels. Let anyone who has an ear listen

to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. 'And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: These are the words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens: 'I know your works. Look, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews and are not, but are lying—I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they will learn that I have loved you. Because you have kept my word of patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world to test the inhabitants of the earth. I am coming soon; hold fast to what you have, so that no one may seize your crown. If you conquer, I will make you a pillar in the temple of my God; you will never go out of it. I will write on you the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem that comes down from my God out of heaven, and my own new name. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Collect

O almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Anthem Byrd '*Christ rising again*'

CHRIST rising again from the dead, nowe dyeth not.
Death from henceforth hath no power upon hym.
For in that he dyed, he dyed but once to put away sinne,
but in that he lyveth, he lyveth unto God.
In Christe Jesus our Lorde. Alleluya, Alleluya.

CHRISTE is risen againe:
the firste fruytes of them that slepe:
for seyng that by man came death:
by man also commeth the resurreccion of the dead.
For as by Adam all men do dye,
so by Christe all menne shalbe restored to lyfe.
Alleluya.

News and Events

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – will be held after the 9:30am service today (approx. 10.45-11-15am).

Annual Report – is now available on our website, it has also been sent via our e-bulletin on Friday. However, if you would like a copy, call in to the parish office. A separate Finance Report is also available.

Lunchtime Recitals – the summer season of recitals continues tomorrow at 1:15pm and is with Mary Mundy (cello), John Payne (clarinet) & David Syrus (piano). Monday 6th is with Yohei Nakajima (viola).

Kingston Music Service – open rehearsal is in the church **Sunday 5th May at 2pm**. Support our local young people in an open rehearsal for a short afternoon interlude of music. This is free to attend and everyone is welcome. There will be a retiring collection in support of the musical life of the church.

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 May 8th**. Flyers are available in the church with further details.

Choral Eucharist for Ascension – join us for the Ascension Day service at 7:30pm on **Thursday 9th May**.

Refreshments for Special Services - we are requesting contributions of cake and help with serving and washing-up for some forthcoming services: **Confirmation Service** on Sunday May 12 at 6pm, **Ecumenical Service for Christian Aid** on Sunday 19 May at 6pm and before the **Ordination Service** on Saturday 6 July at 11am. If you can help, please email sianadams96@gmail.com If you cannot help on these occasions but would be willing to be contacted for future events, please get in touch. Thank you!

Christian Aid Week – this year is from **Saturday 11 until Saturday 18 May**; the charity collection focus will be on the country of Burundi. There will be various fundraising events as well as the traditional door-to-door collections. We start the week with the **Christian Aid Quiz Night** at the United Reformed Church on Friday 10 and on Saturday 18 you can join us for a repeat of last year's dancing in Clarence Street. All Saints will host a joint service for Christian Aid at 6pm on Sunday 19th May.

Kingston Chamber Concerts –present 'Flute & Guitar' with Jack Hancher and Emma Halnanon on **Monday 13 May at 7:30pm** join them in the East End, for details on how to purchase tickets visit the events calendar on our website.

Showcasing Event for Music in Kingston – **Sat 18 May 12-3pm**, join the Kingston Music Service, All Saints Choir and a host of the most exciting music makers in the RBK for an afternoon of performances, workshops, and exhibitions. This will be held in All Saints and is an opportunity for young people and adults alike to explore a breadth of what the borough has to offer, from listening to short performances, to taking part in free workshops, or even having a go at a brand new instrument. Entrance is free, and more information can be found on their website:

<https://www.kingstonheritage.org.uk/musicinkingston>

Thumbs up its Thursday – returns during half-term on 30th May and will be a joint venture with Welcare, the time for this has changed to afternoons only. It will also be held during the summer school holiday. If you would like to help out, do contact Symone: playworker@kingstonwelcare.org.uk