



ST JAMES' CHURCH, ISLINGTON N1 8PH

7 November 2021 3 b Advent YrB 21/42

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 Readers: Sergio Villicana and Jane Falcioni
 Interceder: Isabel Nisbet
 Euch Min: Hilary Roden
 Coffee: Eva Kasella
 Entry: AM2 Christ whose glory
 Gradual: AM755 Oft in danger
 Offertory: AM766 Praise my soul
 P-Comm: *Litany for All Souls Schubert*
 Final: AM584 All my hope
 Mass: Burley Mass, Simon Lole

Collect: Lord our God, you provide us with all that we need. Strengthen our faith, that with simplicity of heart we may come to trust you alone and be willing to spend ourselves and all that we have for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



SEASON OF REMEMBRANCE We change gear at this time of the year, with the colour in Church being red for Remembrance - from All Souls' Day to the end of November. Our theme today centres around the question: when God wants us to do something, how does he help us to accept his advice? And does that tell us something about the wider world in which we live too? Nobody likes being told what to do (do they?!) - from personal relationships to the care of the planet. So how can we overcome a sense of 'us' and 'them'?



WELCOME Warmest congratulations to Louise Ahmet and to Vinny Payne on the arrival of their daughter, a sister for Benjy. Louise was one of the first to take part in the First Communion programme way back in 2012 with her sister Lisa, and she now teaches at Blessed Sacrament School in Copenhagen Street. Once again we see a key part of our community life as being the opportunity to celebrate births and weddings - and to be with people at time of loss and bereavement. In that sense we sometimes feel that St James' is just another 'Special Events' venue. Thankfully there is also lots going on in between!

ONE THING LEADS TO ANOTHER Sadly Peter Galton lost both his father and his brother this year but as a result of the relationship that emerged from those occasions, Peter felt able to accept our invitation to show some of his work during November (2-25th). There are eight striking pieces in Church and a private view - with music and refreshments - is at 6pm on Monday 16th November and all are welcome. The hanging was partly facilitated by Anna Hart from the Packington Art Project, yet another excellent link with the wider community.



From Fr John: I was terribly sorry not to be with you last Sunday. A bite picked up in South Africa in 2003 has left me prone to a tropical infection occasionally. Suddenly 'all the lights go out' and I am quite unable to function for four or five days. Then, with powerful antibiotics, the swelling in my right leg subsides, the head stops feeling like it has been kicked in, the sweats stop and I can walk again - as if nothing had happened! Tiresome I know but just a part of life.

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ORGAN PROJECT Deadlines are really important in all projects but they cannot be set in stone. Sometimes we really do have to admit that some things "are outside our control". So when we



MUSICAL VESPERS FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

with the Corvus Consort
 Readings - Music - Prayers

SUNDAY 14th NOVEMBER

at 6.30pm.

ALL WELCOME



PRAYER BOARD/NOTICES Requests for prayer welcome

BIRTHDAYS We send best wishes to Joyce Owusu tomorrow; new mum Hayley Jenkins on Tuesday; and the decade of age difference remains between for Martin Allen and for Fr John who both celebrate on Saturday 13th.

SICK Darren Bavington, Christopher Browne, Archie Campbell, Stephanie Cowles, Jennifer Franich, Peter Freeth, Charity Garnett, Kris Hyde, Hayley Jenkins, John, Kingsley Lewis, Ed Pereira, John Scott, Charlie Sharpe, Lyn Thompson and Tim Willis.

MEMORIALS 8th: Mary Linzell (2014), Peter Comerford (2018); 11th: Phoebe Kerr, Nola Leach; 13th: Peggy Mount (2001).

INTERNATIONAL CHURCH LINKS In the US: Mth Suzanne Smith, Rector of Grace Church, Alvin, Texas. Japan: Fr Sebastian and Yuki Naniwa serving in St Andrew's Church, Matsuyama, Diocese of Kobe.

PRISONER OF CONSCIENCE We pray especially at the moment for Richard Radcliffe, still on hunger strike outside the Iranian Embassy trying to raise awareness for the desperate plight of his wife **Nazanin Zaghari Ratcliffe** who is being held hostage in Tehran while a massive debt by the British government remains unpaid. We pray for renewed energy to be put into solving the impasse which drags on month after month. We pray too for Gabriella their daughter; and also for Human Rights lawyer **Nasrin Sotoudeh**.



Open 12noon each Monday for hot lunches



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discovered that the steel contractor for the new platform had recently been rushed into hospital with pneumonia, this was a time to take stock and admit that the February 27th completion date is simply not possible. The new date is now Sunday May 8th. I hope we can live with this 'push back'. **HILARY AND JOHN RODEN** celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary next Sunday (14th). Warmest congratulations to them: cake to share!

THIS WEEK

- Sun 3 before ADVENT 8am Mass. 10am PARISH MASS with the Senior Music Group and SUNDAY SCHOOL.
- Mon 10.15am Fr John and Isabel review progress on the organ. 2-7pm Fr John at HMS President, learning to be a Sea Scout chaplain! 7.30pm Lieder Group.
- Tues 8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass. 3.45pm Laurence Williams. 6pm Katherine and Neil plan their wedding blessing on November 27th. 7.45-9pm Corsican Brass rehearsal.
- Wed 10am Mass. 7-8.30pm Some Voices rehearsal.
- Thurs 5pm Amelia Bailie organ practice. 6pm No Evening Prayer. No 6.15-7pm Office session. 7-9pm Cantallini rehearsal. John and Maria away to Sunday afternoon.
- Sat 3-10pm Jane Solomon rehearsal.
- Sun 14 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8am Mass. (Fr Stephen) 10am PARISH MASS with Two Minutes Silence (Fr Jim). SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Calendar and Daily Prayer themes

- Sun 7 3 b ADVENT Kurt, Julia, Florence Maille; Mathai Mathew, Eilyn Evans
- Mon 8 DEL Week 32 Sheiella Morgan, Jacob and Rio Wilson
- Tues 9 Margery Kempe Melanie Merlot; Paula, Gianni and Giandre Morrison
- Wed 10 St Leo the Great Sergio and Cecilia Munoz; Isabel Nisbet
- Thurs 11 St Martin Joyce Owusu; Toni Parker; Miguel Pequenza
- Fri 12 Feria Jess and Tayah Phillips; Nick, Matilda and Barnaby Powell
- Sat 13 Charles Simeon Rosemary Ross; Helen Schfield; Song and Jess Si
- Sun 14 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY John, Hilary, Laura Roden, Hope Dixey



Gathering

Entry Hymn: **AM2 Christ whose glory**

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*Christ whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.*

*Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes and warm my heart.*

*Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom of sin and grief
fill me, radiancy divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.*

(Words: Charles Wesley)

PARISH MASS
for 3rd Sunday before Advent
November 7th 2021

as streamed from
St James' Church
Islington N1

The Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be
always with you.

And also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said

Words of Preparation

**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.**

Confession

Ordinary Time

As we come to celebrate the presence of Christ, in word and in sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sin.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour
in thought, word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from all our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life, in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

*Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sins for the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Collect

Lord our God, you provide us with all that we need. Strengthen our faith, that with simplicity of heart we may come to trust you alone and be willing to spend ourselves and all that we have for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sit

The Word of God

1st Reading: (Daniel 12: 1-3) At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book.

Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

We stay sitting for the Gradual: **AM755 Oft in danger**

[t University College]

*Oft in danger, oft in woe,
onward, Christians, onward go;
bear the toil, maintain the strife,
strengthened with the bread of life.*

*Onward, Christians, onward go,
filled with courage face the foe;
will ye flee in danger's hour?
know ye not your Captain's power?*

*Let not sorrow dim your eye;
soon shall every tear be dry:
let not fears your course impede;
great your strength, if great your need.*

*Onward then with daring move;
more than conquerors ye shall prove:
though opposed by many a foe,
Christian soldiers, onward go.*

(Words: Henry Kirke White, ed JB)

2nd Reading: (Hebrews 9: 24-end) For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A short time of silence follows as we reflect on all we have heard.

Let us stand and welcome the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

We sing together:



We say together:

Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

We sing once more: **Alleluia, alleluia...**

Gospel

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
Glory to you, O Lord

(St Mark 1: 14-20) Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit **Sermon**

Stand **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.

Sit **Prayers of Intercession**

At the end:

Merciful Father: **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Stand **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
and also with you.

Offertory Hymn: **AM766 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven** [t Praise my soul]

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.*

*Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness.*

*Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy shows.*

*Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him;
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.*

(Words: Henry Francis Lyte)

Remain standing

At the Offertory

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
Fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.
Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, my friends, that our thanksgiving may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.
**May the Lord accept this sacrifice from our hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

Gracious God, your word to us is food indeed. Receive all we offer you this
day, and let your loving kindness be our comfort, for the sake of Jesus Christ,
your living Word. **Amen.**

Remain standing

Eucharistic Prayer E

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
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.

It is indeed right it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you
thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Loving God you show your people how to be creative, skilled and happy.

Give us gentleness, vision and a sense of purpose so that we may yearn to
bring joy into the lives of others, to comfort the afflicted and to share your
gifts of courage and wisdom.

Call us to the service of all creation and even when your kingdom seems far
off, strengthen your Church to wait with patience for your will to be
revealed.

So with people of every race and nation, we join with the angels and saints as
they sing their unending hymn of praise:

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san-na in the high - est!

Sit How wonderful the works of your hands, O Lord!
As a mother tenderly gathers her children
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.
He offered his life for sinners and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends,
and taking bread, he gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body
which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:
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.

Agnus Dei

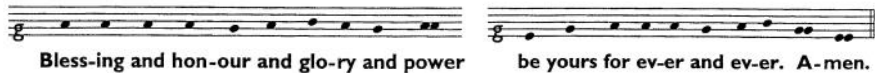
Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
 Rising you restored our life.
 Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us into the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with Mary, the Mother of God, St James, St Peter and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord; by him, with him, and in him, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:



Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name;
 thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
 n 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.**

Fraction

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.**



Invitation

Draw near with faith, receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was broken for you, and his blood which was shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you and feed on him in your hearts with thanksgiving; for this is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his Supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Sit

After Communion

Senior Music Group anthem: *Litany for the Feast of All Souls* Franz Schubert

*Ruhn in Frieden alle Seelen,
 Die vollbracht ein banges Quälen,
 Die vollendet süßsen Traum,
 Lebenssatt, geboren kaum,
 Aus der Welt hinüber schieden:
 Alle Seelen ruhn in Frieden!
 Und die nie der Sonne lachten,
 Unterm Mond auf Dornen wachten,
 Gott, im reinen Himmelslicht,
 Einst zu sehn von Angesicht:
 Alle, die von hinnen schieden,
 Alle Seelen ruhn in Frieden!*

May all souls rest in peace;
 those whose fearful torment is past;
 those whose sweet dreams are over;
 those sated with life, those barely born,
 who have left this world:
 may all souls rest in peace!
 And those who never smiled at the sun,
 who lay awake beneath the moon on beds of thorns,
 so that they might one day see God face to face
 in the pure light of heaven:
 may all who have departed hence,
 may all souls rest in peace!

Communion Antiphon:

It is good to be with the Lord and to put my hope in him.

Post Communion

Father, may we grow in love by the Eucharist we have celebrated in memory of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, for he is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**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.**

Community Notices

Stand

Blessing

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Final Hymn: **AM584 All my hope on God is founded**

[t. Michael]

*All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown, he alone
calls my heart to be his own.*

*God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought;
splendour, light and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore, from his store,
new-born worlds rise and adore.*

*Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.*

(Words: Robert Bridges)



May God bless every £1 we give so that St James' will be here, not just for today and for tomorrow, but for the future he wants to create.