ST MARY-AT-FINCHLEY

ALL SAINTS ALL AGE EUCHARIST

3rd November 2024

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN - 134 For all the saints (verses 1, 2, 4, 6, 7)

For all the saints, who from their labours rest, Who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might; Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light. Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed. Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia!

WE SAY HELLO TO EACH OTHER

Priest: + In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy

Spirit.

All: AMEN

Priest: The Lord be with you. **All:** And also with you!

The service is introduced.

WE SAY SORRY AND RECEIVE FORGIVENESS.

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith

Your love gives us life from our very beginning. We fail to live as your children.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

You call us to do good. We seek our own good. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

You hear us when we cry for help. We ignore the cries of others. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins and bring you to everlasting life.

All: AMEN

WE SING OF GOD'S GLORY (Peruvian Gloria)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.

To him be glory for ever

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Alleluia, amen

Alleluia, amen Alleluia, amen Alleluia, amen

Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father...

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit...

A SPECIAL PRAYER FOR TODAY CALLED "THE COLLECT"

Priest: Let us pray [remain standing]

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Psalm 24.1-6

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it; for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and do not swear deceitfully.

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory.

They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation. Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory.

All stand for the Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (11.32-44)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is

a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

At the end This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

ALL SIT FOR THE TALK - The Curate

WE SAY WHAT WE BELIEVE

Priest: Let us declare our faith in God:

All: We believe in God the Father,

from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

We kneel or sit for **The Prayers** led by the Junior Church

WE STAND TO SHARE THE PEACE

We are fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn – 351 Now is eternal life

During which the gifts of bread and wine and our offerings are brought to the altar

Now is eternal life, If ris'n with Christ we stand, In him to life reborn, And held within his hand; No more we fear death's ancient dread, In Christ arisen from the dead.

The human mind so long
Brooded o'er life's brief span;
Was it, O God, for nought,
For nought, that life began?
Thou art our hope, our vital breath;
Shall hope undying end in death?

And God, the living God, Stooped down to share out state; By death destroying death, Christ opened wide life's gate. He lives, who died; he reigns on high; Who lives in him shall never die.

Unfathomed love divine,
Reign thou within my heart;
From thee nor depth nor height,
Nor life nor death can part;
My life is hid in God with thee,
Now and through all eternity.

Thee I will love and serve Now in time's passing day; Thy hand shall hold me fast When time is done away, In God's unknown eternal spheres To serve him through eternal years.

WE GIVE THANKS AND PRAISE TO GOD (music from hymn 125)

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

A// We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A// It is right to give thanks and praise.

Priest: Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky, everything that gives us light, light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

All sing: Holy, holy, Lord God we adore you: How we love you!

Priest: We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

All sing: Spirit we adore you, lay our lives before you: How we love you!

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'
After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

All sing: Jesus we adore you, lay our lives before you: How we love you!

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour. Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with Mary and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

All: AMEN.

All sing: Father we adore you, lay our lives before you: How we love you!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest: Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

All: 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.

BREAKING THE BREAD

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

GIVING THE BREAD AND WINE

Priest: I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, "Alleluia." The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

All: Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

All are welcome to come to the altar to receive communion or a blessing.

Anthem Colin Gibson arr. Geoff Weaver "He Came Singing Love"

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.

The Notices

THE POST COMMUNION HYMN - 288 King of Glory King of Peace

King of glory, King of peace,
I will love Thee;
and that love may never cease,
I will move Thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast,
Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee, and the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee.
Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me.

Sev'n whole days, not one in sev'n, I will praise Thee; in my heart, though not in heav'n, I can raise Thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort

to enrol Thee: e'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

THE BLESSING AND SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

The Lord be with you

And also with you

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace.

Amen.

May he give you joy in their fellowship.

Amen.

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness and to come to the full radiance of glory.

Amen.

And the +blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen

Deacon Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

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