PARISH OF ALL SAINTS', CARSHALTON

HIGH MASS FOR JAMES THE APOSTLE



President & Preacher: Fr David Fisher

Richard Shephard *The Addington Service*L J White *The Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

25 July, 2021

A warm welcome to All Saints',

whether you're here in person, or taking part online.

A particular welcome to anyone who is visiting us or worshipping with us for the first time, or returning after a break.

Please use the hand sanitiser:

on entering the Church; immediately prior to receiving Holy Communion; and as you leave the building.

Whilst it is no longer a legal requirement to wear face coverings in church, we encourage you to do so during worship, if you're able to.

Baptised Christians from any Christian tradition are warmly invited to receive Holy Communion today.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head as a signal to the priest.

If you need Gluten Free wafers, do let one of the stewards know before the service.



Contactless devices are available by the north and south doors and we do encourage you to use them; thank you.



A hearing loop is available in church: please switch to 'T'.

Please ensure that mobile 'phones are turned to silent.

O Lord, open thou our lips....

The resumption of congregational singing today will be very different for different Churches up and down the country. For some it will be a profound moment which they will want to mark. For others it will not even be a moment but more a period of change. For yet others, singing or not singing will not be particularly important relative to all the other things that are different from normal at present: how we share the Peace, how we celebrate the Eucharist together, how we meet or don't meet after the service and so on. For some, it will be a return to something familiar; for others, it will be venturing into new territory.

Singing, both choral and congregational, plays an important role in our worship Sunday by Sunday here and over the summer, we'll be building up our level of congregational singing. From today, all are invited to join in singing the congregational parts of the Mass and there will be two hymns to sing. This gradual approach is deliberately cautious and follows the advice of the Government scientific advisors that caution is required as restrictions ease, particularly as case numbers are rising once again. If you wish to wear a face covering to sing, that is fine, and we do encourage you to wear a face covering during worship, although it is not a legal requirement.

Our liturgy this morning contains material for the resumption of congregational singing, produced by the Bishop of Southwark's Advisory Group on Liturgy, as well as *Common Worship* propers for St James the Apostle, whose Feast it is today.

As we make further readjustments to our common life and Christian pilgrimage, may St James, Patron Saint of Pilgrims, pray for us.

THE GATHERING

Organ prelude: The peace may be exchanged, from Rubrics, Dan Locklair

Please STAND as the sacristy bell rings for the Entrance Procession, during which there will be an organ improvisation on Sine Nomine (For all the saints).

At the head of the procession a large candle is carried in, unlit, by a chorister who has been acting as cantor. It is placed in a stand at the front near the chancel step. No other candles are lit and lights in church are low.

The President greets everyone:

₩ We gather for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy Spirit.

The President adds additional words of welcome; the Deacon introduces the Prayers of Penitence:

We have too often exchanged the worship of the living God for idols of our own imagining. As we gather to offer our praises to the holy and undivided Trinity, and to worship him in spirit and in truth, let us call to mind and confess our sins, first keeping a moment of quiet reflection.

The choir sings Kyrie Eleison:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

We pray:

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

The President pronounces the Absolution:

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.

The President says the following as the large candle is lit by one of the choir:

Generous God, we thank you for the gift of music to inspire and uplift us as we offer you praise. As our worship of you is once more sung with our lips, may this candle may remind us of the joy of restored life; by your grace, grant that what we sing with our lips we may believe in our hearts; and what we believe in our hearts we may show forth in our lives.

Amen

The choir and congretation then sing Gloria in Excelsis:

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 sin of 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

The President intones the Collect for James the Apostle:

In silence, we pray.

Merciful God, whose holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him even to death: help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world, to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay; through 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.

Please SIT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul. About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword.

Acts 11:27 - 12:2

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

STAND to sing the Acclamation, which heralds the Gospel:



The choir sings the verse:

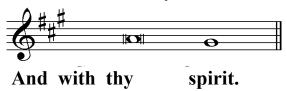
Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth; break into singing and make music.

All repeat the Acclamation:



Then:

The Lord be with you.



▶ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.



Glory be to thee, O Lord

Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favour of him. And he said to her, 'What do you want?' She said to him, 'Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.' But Jesus answered, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?' They said to him, 'We are able.' He said to them, 'You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.'

When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Matthew 20:20-28

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to thee O Christ.

The address follows.

We pause briefly to reflect on what we've heard, then STAND for the Creed:

I believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The prayers of intercession follow:

In union with Christ, and in the power of the Spirit, let us pray to the Father.

The following response is used:

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

The prayers end

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

Please STAND

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

May the God of peace sanctify you: may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before him at the coming of our Lord Jesus with James and all his saints. The Peace of the Lord be always with you; and with thy spirit.

The Deacon says:

Let us offer each other a socially distant sign of Christ's Peace.

Bread, wine and water are brought to the Altar and the Altar is prepared, during which we sing the Offertory hymn:

Angel-voices ever singing
Round thy throne of light,
Angel-harps for ever ringing,
Rest not day nor night;
Thousands only live to bless thee
And confess thee
Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest Mortal eye can scan,
Can it be that thou regardest
Songs of sinful man?
Can we know that thou art near us,
And wilt hear us?
Yes, we can.

For we know that thou rejoicest O'er each work of thine; Thou didst ears and hands and voices For thy praise design; Craftsman's art and music's measure For thy pleasure All combine. In thy house, great God, we offer Of thine own to thee; And for thine acceptance proffer All unworthily Hearts and minds and hands and voices In our choicest Psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit Thine shall ever be, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity. Of the best which thou hast given Earth and heaven Render thee.

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The President takes the bread and wine:

Father, accept all we bring before you this day. Guide us with your love and feed us at your table as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostle James. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen





Let us give thanks un - to the Lord our God.



R. It is meet and right so to do.

The President continues the prayer, thanking God for all his saving works, and then invites the people to join their praises with the whole company of heaven:

(...and join their unending hymn of praise:)

We sing Sanctus and Benedictus:

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.

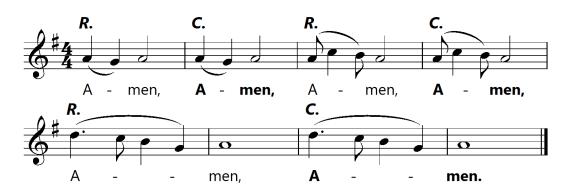
The President continues the prayer, repeating the Lord's own words over the bread and wine and asks the Father to send the Spirit on them to sanctify them. Then:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The President continues, joining our offering with Christ's sacrifice of himself. At the end:

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.



Silence

Jesus taught us to call God our Father, and so in faith and trust we pray:

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 president breaks the consecrated bread for all to share:

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.

We sing Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

The president invites all to receive Holy Communion:

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

Baptised persons who are communicant members of Churches which subscribe to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, and who are in good standing in their own church, may receive Holy Communion at this service. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come to the altar, and keep your hands at your side.

Please follow the direction of the stewards when approaching the Chancel step and sanitise your hands prior to receiving the Sacrament.

All taking part online are encouraged to make their Spiritual Communion, using the following prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, grant, that as the hem of your garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch your body, so the soul of your servant may be healed by faith in you, whom I cannot now sacramentally receive; through your tender mercy, who lives and reigns with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit ever one God, world without end. Amen.

During the administration, the choir sing the following motet:

O holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly, and follow thee more nearly. Amen

Words: St Richard of Chichester, 1197-1253

Music: L J White

We keep a few moments of SILENT PRAYER. The President then prays the Post Communion Prayer:

God of majesty, whom James and all the saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: be with your servants as we sing and make music for your glory, that, with joy, we on earth may glimpse your beauty; bring us to the fulfilment of that hope of perfection which will be ours as we stand before your unveiled glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Please remain SEATED for any notices, then STAND:

THE DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

May the songs of the angels sustain you, may the praises of James and all the saints inspire you, may the silent music of the Unseen Trinity be in your heart, and the blessing of God almighty,

★ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

We sing the final hymn:

Pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty, Hold me with thy powerful hand: Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's Destruction Land me safe on Canaan's side: Songs of praises I will ever give to thee.

The Deacon dismisses the Eucharistic Assembly:

With a song in your heart, go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Organ voluntary: Chorale Prelude on Crofts 136th 'Ye boundless realms of joy', C H H Parry

Please take this booklet away with you

Refreshments will be served after Mass and all are warmly invited to stay.

NEXT SUNDAY

9th Sunday after Trinity

9am - All Age Mass

1030am - High Mass

Richard Shephard, The Addington Service · Edward Elgar, Ave verum Corpus

1830 Sung Evening Prayer

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However, please do consider either of the following:

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(www.parishgiving.org.uk); we have signed up for this scheme, details of which are in the Notices. The PCC receives a lump sum payment each month, which includes any Gift Aid claimed for the month; this will help hugely with our monthly cash flow.

or

STANDING ORDER set up through www.carshaltonallsaints.org



Pilgrim shell with Cross of St James, carried by the Rector whilst on Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostella, 2003

