

St. Anne's Church, Chingford

3rd Sunday before Lent February 16th

Year of Spirituality. All Age Eucharist 10.00

Welcomers: Jackie Haniff-Bentham, Anthony Sullivan

Server: Lisa Markham

Chalice: Marcia Hall, Anthony Sullivan

Lessons:Rosalind TatamCelebrant:Jude BullockMusic:Bill Gloyn

HYMN 839 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

GATHERING

We gather in praise of the God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Silence is kept.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, All slow to anger and of great kindness.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins, **All nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.**

For as the heavens are high above the earth,

All so great is his mercy upon those who fear him.

This Today 12.30 Simple Lunch

Wednesday 19th Feb 20.00 Pastoral Committee

Friday 21st Feb 10.00 Eucharist

Sunday 23rd Feb 10.00 Parish Eucharist



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Silence is kept for reflection.

All Holy God. Holy and strong, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

As far as the east is from the west,

All so far has he set our sins from us.

As a father has compassion on his children,

All so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All and all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
All and forget not all his benefits.

May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life. **Amen.**

GLORIA





Glory in the highest to the God of heaven; Peace to all your people through the Earth be given. Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring, Sing Alleluia to our heavenly King

Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son; With the Holy Spirit, you are Lord alone. Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear,







Show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer.

Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy one,
Seated now and reigning from your Father's throne:
Lord and God, we praise you!
Highest heaven adores:
In the Father's Glory, all the praise be yours!





COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory;

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.

FIRST READING Nehemiah 12: 27-30

At the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem, the Levites were sought out from where they lived and were brought to Jerusalem to celebrate joyfully the dedication with songs of thanksgiving and with the music of cymbals, harps and lyres. The musicians also were brought together from the region around Jerusalem—from the villages of the Netophathites, from Beth Gilgal, and from the area of Geba and Azmaveth, for the musicians had built villages for themselves around Jerusalem. When the priests and Levites had purified themselves ceremonially, they purified the people, the gates and the wall.

This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

HYMN 63 Be Still my soul

GOSPEL John 2.1-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said "to what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

"'We played the pipe for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by her deeds."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION

HYMN Merissa, Trisha and Teresa will lead us in our reflection with worship song.

PRAYER OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

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.

INTERCESSIONS

Let us with confidence present our prayers and supplications to the throne of grace.

We pray for our mother, the earth. we pray for the governments of the world that together we may be able to save our planet, may all nations

be governed with wisdom and integrity serving the needs of mother earth, and all who live on her. We pray especially that the richer nations will heed the call to help the poorer nations and those most effected by climate change.

May your kingdom come; Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the Church in its rich diversity, the sign of your reign, that it may bear witness to the values of the kingdom and serve the world in each and every way that it can



May your kingdom come; Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for people of faith and for those of different faiths to our own and for those who have no faith, that we may work together to heal the divisions and violence so prevalent today in Ukraine and Russia and in the Holy Land and in all places where division has led to inhumanity. We also offer thanks for the work of peacemakers in every conflict.

May your kingdom come; Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those whose commitment to truth brings them into conflict with earthly powers, that they may have the courage to endure.

May your kingdom come; Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for this community of faith, that attentive to your word we may always worship in spirit and in truth. We call to mind, all those who are unwell and those who have care for them.

May your kingdom come; Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for composers past and present, all parish and local choirs and for all musicians, organists, pianists, guitarists who give so much that our worship be reverent, joyful and beautiful. We thank you for their generosity in using their talents for your greater glory.

May you kingdom come: Lord hear our prayer

We pray that through this year our spiritual lives may be deepened, that we become aware of your loving presence in every aspect of our lives and continue to grow in your love and in the service of our neighbour. We call to mind all those who have gone before us, especially those known to us.

Silent prayer

Rejoicing in the fellowship of St Anne and all your saints, we commend ourselves and the whole creation to your unfailing love.

Amen.

SIGN OF PEACE

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

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

HYMN 215 Give me joy in my heart

During this hymn, the gifts are brought to the table

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside

are now united on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth

into your kingdom.

Amen.

The Lord is here.

His spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

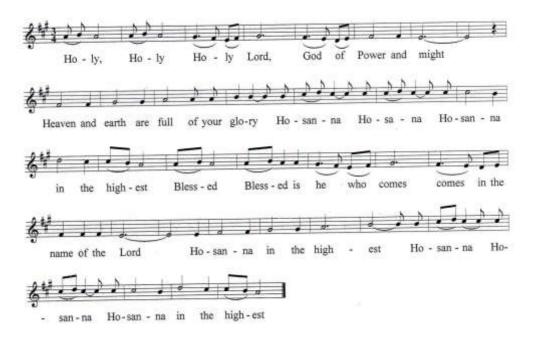
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us

Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:



Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light.

With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean. This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;

he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:

This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;

he took the cup, gave it and said:

This is my blood, shed for you all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross



on which he died to set us free.

Defying death he rose again

and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.

Amen.

We pray for the coming of God's Kingdom as Jesus taught us:
Holy One, our only Home,
hallowed be your name.
May your day dawn,
your will be done, here as in heaven.
Feed us today,
and forgive us as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test,
but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours, now
and for ever. Amen.

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.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your Peace.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

Distribution of Holy Communion Silence is kept.

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: You nourish us with the gift of music and the joy of singing your praise. Fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Notices

BLESSING

Now may the blessing of God the Father, who made from one every nation that occupies the earth; of God the Son who bought us for God from every tribe and language and people and nation; and of God the Spirit who brings us together in unity, be with us and remain with us always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.

Amen.

HYMN 532 - Now thank we all our God

Opening music for the service starts with Pachabel's "Canon" followed by "Andante tranquillo" by Peter Warlock and "Chanson de matin" by Edward Elgar. Music at the Peace is "Oh, in the meadow the red viburnum" a Ukrainian folk song and the Ukraine "Prayer for Peace". During communion is "Air from Suite No.3" by J S Bach and the closing voluntary is the "Chorale improvisation on Nun Danket" (Now thank we all our God) by Karg-Elert.



ECO Thought for February

Take only what you need and leave the land as you found it

We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the Parish Giving scheme please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.

Ukraine and Eat or Heat - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

Electoral Roll - r The Electoral Roll review is in progress until 9th March. In 2025 we have to produce a new Electoral Roll so everyone needs to complete a form.

TableTop Sale Saturday 1 March 10-11.30 - we shall be raising funds for Haven House Children's Hospice.

Litter Pick - The spring litter pick will be at 2.30pm on Saturday 1st March. Please join us if you can for our twice-yearly effort to improve our local environment.

Day of Recollection - Part of our Lent observance this year will a Day of recollection on Saturday 8th March, starting at 10am. Please hold the date.

Lent Course - We will again be holding a Zoom Lent course this year on Wednesday at 8pm from 12th March to 9th April. It is entitled True Frreedom and will look at modern slavery using the text of Galatians.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for February: 2nd George Radford, 3rd Emily Brewis, 5th Gladys Travis, 6th Walter Rolfe, 16th Angela Birchnall, 17th Ted Bulled, 20th William Sherman, 21st Gordon Wilkinson, 22nd Beryl Lovitt, 23rd Arthur Runeckles, Victor Foster, 24th Dorothy Potter, Albert Gates, 25th Maureen Cope, Sheila Treadwell26th Gladys Gloyn, Kenneth Gwynn, 27th Lillian Bates. 28th Teresa Carroll.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen