



Parish Church of St. Anne Chingford

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Easter 5 - 2nd May 2021

Parish Eucharist 10.00

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Welcomers: Marcia Hall, Rosalind Tatam

Server: Lindsey Archer

Lessons: Rosalind Tatam

Prayers: Alan Pearson

Preacher: Mick Scotchmer

Celebrant: Mick Scotchmer

Music: Peter Stannard

Hymns

Happy are they, they that love God

Bread of heaven, on thee we feed

This is my body, broken for you

Love divine, all loves excelling

Immortal, invisible



<i>This week</i> →	Tuesday	4th May	20.00	MLT (by Zoom)
	Friday	7th May	10.00	Eucharist
	Sunday	9th May	10.00	Parish Eucharist

Collect

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of
everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

Post Communion

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth,
and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

First Reading

Acts 8.26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, ‘Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.’ (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, **‘Go over to this chariot and join it.’ ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, ‘Do you understand what you are reading?’ ³¹He replied, ‘How can I, unless someone guides me?’ And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:**

‘Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.’

³⁴**The eunuch asked Philip, ‘About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?’ ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, ‘Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptised?’ ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptised him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.**

This is the word of the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Second Reading

1 John 4.7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹**God's** love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.

¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰**Those who say, 'I love God,' and hate their** brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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All Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel

John 15.1-8

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: ¹**I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower.** ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸**My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'**

This is the Gospel of the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All Praise to you, O Christ, **Alleluia**, Alleluia.

Hymns

1. **Happy are they, they that love God,**
whose hearts have Christ confessed,
who by his cross have found their life,
and 'neath his yoke their rest.
 2. Glad is the praise, sweet are the songs,
when they together sing;
and strong the prayers that bow the ear
of heaven's eternal King.
 3. Christ to their homes, giveth his peace
and makes their loves his own
but ah, what tares the evil one
hath in his garden sown!
 4. Sad were our lot, evil this earth,
did not its sorrows prove
the path whereby the sheep may find
the fold of Jesus' love.
 5. Then shall they know, they that love him,
How all their pain is good;
And death itself cannot unbind
Their happy brotherhood .
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1. **Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,**
for thy flesh is meat indeed;
ever may our souls be fed
with this true and living bread;
day by day with strength supplied
through the life of him who died.
 2. Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies
this blest cup of sacrifice.
'Tis thy wounds our healing give;
to thy cross we look and live.
Thou our life! O let us be
rooted, grafted, built on thee

1. **This is my body, broken for you,**
bringing you wholeness, making you free.
Take it and eat it, and when you do,
do it in love for me.
2. This is my blood, poured out for you,
bringing forgiveness, making you free.
Take it and drink it, and when you do,
do it in love for me.
3. Back to my Father soon I shall go.
Do not forget me; then you will see
I am still with you, and you will know
you're very close to me.
4. Filled with my Spirit, how you will grow!
You are my branches; I am the tree.
If you are faithful, others will know
you are alive in me.
5. Love one another; I have loved you,
and I have shown you how to be free;
serve one another, and when you do,
do it in love for me.

1. **Love divine, all loves excelling,**
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
2. Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.
3. Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
4. Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above;
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
5. Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.
6. Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

1. **Immortal, invisible,**
God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid
from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious,
thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unhasting,
and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting,
thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains
high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains
of goodness and love.
3. To all life thou givest,
to both great and small;
in all life thou livest,
the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish
as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish;
but naught changeth thee.
4. Great Father of glory,
pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee,
all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render,
O help us to see
'tis only the splendour
of light hideth thee.

We do not take a collection at St. Anne's as we have a Free Will Offering scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the **Free Will Offering** scheme please speak to Andy Crawford, Lindsey Archer or the church wardens.

Wool Required.—Valerie Muskutt is knitting items in preparation for future fund raising events. If you have any spare knitting wool (including small oddments) she could use please leave it at the back of church.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) 2021 - The APCM will for 2021 will be held at 8pm on Wednesday 12th May. This will be a Zoom meeting. At this meeting we will be electing our Churchwardens for the coming year and three PCC members for the next three years.

Val Woodward has decided to retire after five years of dedicated service so we shall need a new candidate for Churchwarden.

Two of the PCC members whose term of office is coming to an end have also indicated that they do not wish to stand again so we need at least two new PCC members

If you feel you could help with the running of our church in any of these roles, or you would like more information on what is involved, please speak to Heather, Mick or Val.

Papers for the meeting are available on the web site or at the back of church.

Eat or Heat—There is still a real need at this time. Now we are back in church, please start to bring in donations.

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 April.

1st Gregory Canning, 6th Mabel Garrett, 7th Peggy Eley, 13th Michael Taylor, 20th Gwen Coombs, 24th Barbara Shepard, 28th Alice Rolfe.

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