



St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

Confidently sharing the love of Christ

Sunday 31st October 2021

All Saints Sunday

President: Mo Christine **Preacher** Mo Christine

Welcome to worship today—it is great to have you with us. We hope that you will feel welcome. If you are new, please do say hello—we would love to get to know you. If you are unsure where to find something, or about what is going on, please do ask and we will be happy to help. Our worship style is quite formal- but we hope relaxed-as we come to worship God in our midst. Please do join us for coffee after the service. While Covid restrictions have been reviewed—we would ask, that you please wear a face mask when moving around the church.

Please let us respect the needs of each other at this challenging time.

All the words you need will be on the screens at the front, but service sheets and hymn books are available if you prefer.

A Season of Remembering—All Saints Remembering those who inspire us

Every day in the Church year has a saint day, but the Solemnity of All Saints is when the Church honours all saints, known and unknown. All Saints Day falls on the first of November each year, and the eve before it is All Hallows (saints) - eve—which is where the Halloween gets its name.



Please stand as the bell is rung as we sing our opening Hymn 27 – All who should valiant be

We meet in the name of God who is (+) Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The President will introduce the service

We come in this time of remembering:
remembering those who have inspired us;
those who have touched our lives whom we see no more;
those who challenge as to be the people God
has created us to be.

We give thanks for the gift of memory and community.

Today, on this All Saints Day
Let us Rejoice, people of God, and praise the Lord!
Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose hope the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

Today we particularly remember our dear friend Mr Edgerton Rodgers whose first year's mind falls this weekend.

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.

Silence is kept

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in
thought and 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.**

After a period of silent reflection we sing together:

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

We are reminded of God's forgiveness.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, (+) pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We remain standing as we sing the Gloria

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

**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. *Refrain:***

**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. *Refrain:***

**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. *Refrain.***

The Collect

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer and then

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
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.

Liturgy of the Word (please sit)

Our passage occurs within Isaiah 24–27, a distinct unit within the book of Isaiah. Because of its intense interest in the future and a supposed affinity with apocalyptic writings, this section is often called the Little Apocalypse of Isaiah. More recent scholarship downplays the

apocalyptic nature of these chapters, but there is no denying their interest in God's future working out of God's purposes.

But in anticipating a glorious future, Isaiah 25:6-9 acknowledges a difficult and challenging present for its original readers. Whether this passage (and Isaiah 24–27 as a whole) originates with Isaiah of Jerusalem or with exilic or post-exilic writers and editors (as seems most likely), it acknowledges that the people being addressed experience death. The text may have in mind the deadly experiences of warfare and exile that Israel and Judah have encountered, but the fact that the passage addresses “all peoples” (Isaiah 25:6) leads us to consider the universal experience of death.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 25: 6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained
clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the
earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might
save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We hear a reading from the New Testament.

As we enter Revelation 21 everything has changed. With John we see both a new heaven and a new earth. A holy city descends from heaven, resplendent with gold, jewels, and divine light. After chapters of trauma and conflict on a cosmic scale, after Death and Hades finally meet their end, everything has become new.

A reading from the Revelation of John 21: 1-6a

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We remain seated as we sing or listen to Hymn 652 - Seek ye First

The Gospel is announced.

*This weeks Gospel comes from **John 11: 32 -44***

Today's text gathers us around a newly occupied tomb, surrounded by the typical mix of grief and loss, accusation and anger.

In that unlikely setting, Jesus tells Martha that she will see the glory of God (John 11:40). We know what it is to long for a glimpse of that glory, perhaps especially at times reflected in the scenes of John 11. On this All Saints Sunday, we remember the long line of the faithful who have come before us, whom we honour and treasure.

In John 11:36-37, the people at the funeral are divided about Jesus. Some affirm his love; others criticize him for not doing more for sadly dead Lazarus. The reaction is no less divided (but it is more deadly) after Lazarus stumbles his way back into the light of the living. Jesus

ensures freedom for Lazarus in verse 44, but the following verses note that although some believe because of what they saw (verse 45), others begin to plan how to kill both Jesus (verse 53) and Lazarus (John 12:10), and thus stop the outrageous behaviour of one who calls the dead back to life, and of the dead who have the temerity to obey. With thanks to Brian Peterson, Professor of New Testament, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
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.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit to listen to the sermon.

After the sermon we will listen to the Hymn—It is well as we are invited to light a candle for those saints who have touched our lives.

We stand to affirm our faith in the words of the Apostles creed.

**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 sit as we pray for the Church, the World and for this community.
A member of the congregation will lead these*

During the prayers we use the response

**Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer**

Rest Eternal Grant unto them O Lord
And let light perpetual shine upon them
May they rest in peace
And rise in glory

In the stillness of this moment we lift our own before God.
At the end we say.. Amen.

Liturgy of the Sacrament (please stand)

May the God of peace sanctify us:
may our hearts be strengthened in holiness
that we may be blameless before our creator
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints.

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

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

We listen to the offertoryHymn 844 – Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

We give thanks for God's gifts

To you we come, Father of lights,
with angels and saints,
where heaven and earth unite.

May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The preface continues until we sing.

**Holy, 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.**

After the Consecration

Christ is the bread of life
**When we eat this bread
and drink this cup
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

*At the end we say—**Amen***

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.

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 the Agnus Dei.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Grant us peace.

The Elevation

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, ‘Alleluia.’ The Lord
our God has entered into his kingdom.
(+) Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the
Lamb.

All who are baptised are welcome to receive. We currently receive in one kind only. That means we receive the bread only. The Priest receives the wine on our behalf. Once all have received the bread and returned to our seat we consume together with the words
The body of Christ **Amen**

During Communion we listen to *Give Us the Wings of Faith* (Bullock) —
Choir of Ripon Cathedral

Post Communion Prayer

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices and Banns

We receive God's Blessing.

The Dismissal (please stand)

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The Lord be with you

And also with you

Christ 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 and a share in their praises. **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.
Amen.

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

Thanks be to God

We join in our final hymn 769 – Through all the changing scenes of life omitting verses 4 and 6 from hymn book

Notices



Please continue to pray for the Climate Change Summit in Glasgow in November and for our care of all God's Creation. Some of our boats were forward to be part of the pilgrimage and a photo of our display has also been shared.



Season of Remembering

The past 2 years has seen much grief that we have been unable to acknowledge. You are invited to come and pray with us during our Sunday worship for those people and situations we grieve; for those things we are thankful for; and to light a candle of hope.

All Saints Sunday 31st October—9.30am

All Souls Sunday 7th November -9.30am

Remembrance Sunday 14th November -9.30am

or email motherchristinenw6@gmail.com the names of people you would like included in our prayers.

Please invite your neighbours, friends or family to one or any of these services. There are some printed invitations available in church which can share with them.

Names and Flowers for All Souls Day

On All Souls Day we have a tradition of praying for family members who have died. The list of 2020 is at church entrance, please tick the names of those who you would like to be remembered.

You may also like to make a donation for flowers which will be in church during this season Sign up sheet also at entrance.

Remembrance Day

As well as our service on Sunday 14th November; we will be hosting an Act of Remembrance in Paddington Old Cemetery on Thursday 11th November from about 10.45am. Christ Church School will be joining us for this.

Tea and Chat Invitations

Tea and chat meets each Friday afternoon between 2pm—4pm. It is a chance, often for those who live alone, to have a safe and comfortable space to come and sit and chat; and enjoy some treats. There is also opportunity to play cards, drafts or scrabble if you would like. If you know someone who might like to come; why not invite them—or Mo C is happy to speak to anyone who would like to know more.

Refreshments after Church

We are now resuming opportunity to share in refreshments after church. It would be helpful if you **could bring your own cup/mug**.

Also remember to ‘wrap up’ when you come to church as windows will be open!

Covid Guidance for Coming to worship

- ⇒ As soon as you enter the building **please continue to either wash your hands or use the sanitizer provided.**
- ⇒ We would ask, that if you can **please wear a face mask** when moving around
- ⇒ The peace - the suggestion is that we continue as we are – smiling, waving or bowing.

The Priest receives the wine on the congregations behalf at present during communion. Please wear your mask when you come forward to receive the host (bread).

Laurence's Larder

You can still leave your donations, tinned fish or any non perishable food in the basket at the top of the stairs.

You can see updates on this work at www.laurenceslarder.org.uk



For our prayers— The Climate Summit in November; appointment of a new Bishop; Jackie, Mavis, Hada, Stephen, June, Ruth, Michael, Kay, Comfort, Joyce, Fr Robert, Jean, Isobel, Peter, Pearl, Rute, Ron, Josephine, John, Cecilia and Ruth. We remember those who have died including Michael O'Connell and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time including Hilda Buckles-Seymor, Michael Smith, Peter Gordon, Katherine Gordon, Charles Harris, Viola Akers, Edgerton Rodgers and Lionel Morrison.

Services during the week 31st October 2021

Monday 1st 2pm Christian Contemplation on Zoom

Tuesday 2nd 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel & Zoom

Thursday 4th 8.30am Morning Prayer on Zoom only

Friday 5th No Morning Prayer today or Playgroup

2pm Tea and Chat

Sunday 7th 8.30am Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel

All Souls 9.30am Sung Mass

5pm—Zoom Service of the Day

Thought for the Day on Facebook at some point.

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