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## CHRIST THE KING ✨ 24 NOVEMBER 2013

Welcome to St Mary's, especially if you are visiting us for the first time.  
Please join us next door in the Presbytery for drinks after High Mass.

The Order of High Mass with the Ordinary texts is provided in the High Mass booklet. The setting of the Ordinary is the Missa in Angustiis ('Nelson' Mass, no 11 in D minor) of Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809). The Propers of the Mass are set out overleaf. The Hymns are found in The New English Hymnal.



**Meditation after Mass** | from the Liturgy of St Basil (trans. Bp Lancelot Andrewes)

Finished and perfected, so far forth as in our power, is all the mystery of thy dispensation, Christ our God. For we have held the remembrance of thy death, we have seen the figure of thy Resurrection, we have been filled with thine unending life; we have had fruition of thine inexhaustible delights: whereof be thou pleased that we all be accounted worthy in the world to come, by the grace of thine unbegotten Father, and thy holy and gracious and life giving Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

**Notices** | See also this week's calendar on the back of the Mass Paper

❖ **This evening:** Solemn Choral Evensong & Benediction at 6pm, followed by refreshments (Low Mass at 5pm). | **Next Sunday:** A service of Advent Carols (A Vigil of Light) & Benediction at 6pm on Sun 1 Dec, followed by refreshments (Low Mass at 5pm).

❖ Faith, Nick and Benedict Allsop **give thanks for the safe delivery of Zoe Mary Alexandra**, born on 18 November 2013. | **We congratulate** Fr Alexander McGregor, recently sworn in as the Chancellor of the Diocese of Oxford. | We also thank **Stephen Hogg**, who retires from the choir today, for many years of faithful service.

❖ **A Home Produce Sale** will be held on Sun 15 Dec. Please contact Pauline Tuft (07798 601335 or [paulinetuft@hotmail.com](mailto:paulinetuft@hotmail.com)) with offers of goods and assistance.

❖ **The reading group** meets in the Presbytery at 7pm on Tue 3 Dec to discuss Hebrews 2. For more information, please contact Amanda Wright ([amanda@londonarttherapy.com](mailto:amanda@londonarttherapy.com)).

❖ **Performances** | **The Messiah** will be sung by Pimlico Singers under the direction of William Carlslake at St Barnabas on Sun 15 Dec. Proceeds support the church, the Sir Simon Milton Foundation and the Cities of London & Westminster Conservative Association. 2pm dress rehearsal – senior citizens welcome, tea provided; 7.30pm performance and refreshments (tickets £12.50 on the door). | **The Choir of King's College London, directed by David Trendell**, perform St John's, Smith Square on Fri 13 Dec. The programme includes Schütz's *Christmas Story* and Tallis's 40-part motet, *Spem in alium*. Box office: [www.sjss.org.uk](http://www.sjss.org.uk) and 020 7222 1061.

**The Intercessions** | Of your charity please pray for:

❖ **The Sick:** Adriana Opera von Nagel, Julia Chessun, Tudor Maitland, Helen Morgan-Edwards, Neville Willson, Nina Drummond, Ida Moore | Jacob Miller, Denis Lishman, Xavier Vincent North, Janis Nightingale, John Whitehead | Simon Chandler, Maurina Crozier, Louis de la Roziere, Marcel Notzon, Simon Bland, Leslie Moody, Enrico Melson, Lawrence Wylie, Elizabeth Hart, Penny James, Eira Evans, Catherine Heriot Maitland, Liz Russell, Jeffrey Winslow, Simon Marchese, Kathleen Marchese, Charmian Clarke

❖ **The Recently Departed:** Christopher Chai, Glynn Payne, Ernie Tomlinson, Francis Golding, John Cole, John Tavener

❖ **Anniversaries of Death:** **Sun:** William Sydney Charles Copeman; **Mon:** George Hillman Naylor; **Fri:** Betty Richards

## **The Introductory Rite**

HYMN 373

*How shall I sing that majesty*

INTROIT ↪ *Dignus est Agnus*

*Apocalypse 5 & Psalm 72*

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and glory and wisdom and strength and honour. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Give the King thy judgements, O God; and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

COLLECT

**A**LMTIGHTY AND EVELASTING GOD, who hast been pleased to make all things new in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by in, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious governance.

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

FIRST READING

*2 Samuel 5.1-3*

**I**N THOSE DAYS: All all the tribes of Israel came to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying: 'Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh. Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that ledest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee: Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.' So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel.

GRADUAL ↪ *Dominabitur*

*Psalm 72 & Daniel 7*

His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other: and from the flood unto the world's end. All kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall do him service.

EPISTLE

*Colossians 1.12-20*

**B**RETHREN: We give thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature. For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: and he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the Church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the pre-eminence. For it pleased the Father that in him should all fullness dwell; and, having made peace through the blood of his Cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ALLELUIA ↪ *Potestas ejus*

*Daniel 7*

Alleluia, alleluia. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away: and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed. Alleluia, alleluia.

**A**T THAT TIME: The people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying: 'He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.' And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, and saying: 'If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.' And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying: 'If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.' But the other answering rebuked him, saying: 'Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.' And he said unto Jesus: 'Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.' And Jesus said unto him: 'Verily I say unto thee: Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.'

SERMON

*Fr Alexander McGregor*CREED ↪ *De Angelis**p.17 of the High Mass booklet****The Liturgy of the Sacrament***

OFFERTORY MOTET

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c.1525-1594)*

O Rex gloriae, Domine virtutum, qui triumphator hodie super omnes coelos ascendisti: ne derelinquas nos orphanos, sed mitte promissum Patris in nos, spiritum veritatis. Alleluia. ↪ *O King of glory, Lord of all power, who ascended to heaven on this day triumphant over all: do not leave us as orphans, but send us the Father's promise, the spirit of truth. Alleluia.*

HYMN 443

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**W**E OFFER UNTO THEE, O LORD, the Victim of man's reconciliation: grant, we beseech, that he, whom we offer in these present sacrifices, may himself grant unto all nations the gift of unity and peace, even Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.

COMMUNION ↪ *Sedebit**Psalm 29*

The LORD remaineth a King for ever: the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

OFFERTORY MOTET

*Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) ↪ Daniel 3, &c*

Erhaben, O Herr, über alles Lob, über alle Herrlichkeit, herrschest du von Ewigkeit. Hallelujah! ↪ *Exalted, O Lord, above all praise, above all glory, you rule for ever. Alleluia.*

POSTCOMMUNION

**O**LORD, WHO HAS bestowed on us the food of immortality, we beseech thee, that we who glory to fight under the banner of Christ our King may be made worthy to reign with him for ever in his heavenly dwelling place.

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**Meditation** | Fr Henri de Lubac SJ (1896-1991)

‘Seek ye first the kingdom of God.’ Whereas the Christian social order is an ideal looked for in the future, the Kingdom of God is already here, mysteriously present. For eternity, which is beyond the future, is not exterior to the present like the future. The Christian social order still belongs to the realm of objective things, of exterior things which occur in time; it is part of the shape of the passing world: the Kingdom of God is the spiritual reality, interior and external. We try to realize the first by progressing in time, but we enter the second by a passage which is always more or less a rupture as well as a consummation: a passage from time to eternity. It is not the proper duty of Christianity to form leaders – that is, builders of the temporal, although a legion of Christian leaders is infinitely desirable. Christianity must generate saints – that is, witnesses to the eternal. The efficacy of the saint is not that of the leader. The saint does not have to bring about great temporal achievements; he is one who succeeds in giving us at least a glimpse of eternity despite the thick opacity of time.

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**This week's calendar** | The XXXIVth Week in Ordinary Time

**Sun 24 Nov | Christ the King**

AT ST BARNABAS PIMLICO

9.30am **Sung Mass**

Preacher: Fr Alexander McGregor

AT ST MARY'S BOURNE ST

8.45am Morning Prayer

9am Low Mass

11am **High Mass**

Preacher: Fr Alexander McGregor

*'Nelson' Mass, Haydn;*

*O rex gloriae, Palestrina;*

*Erhaben O Herr, Mendelssohn*

5pm Low Mass

6pm **Choral Solemn Evensong &**

**Benediction**

Music by Gibbons & Rakhmaninov

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NEXT SUNDAY

**Sun 1 Dec | First Sunday of Advent**

AT ST BARNABAS PIMLICO

9.30am **Sung Mass**

Preacher: The Vicar

AT ST MARY'S BOURNE ST

8.45am Morning Prayer

9am Low Mass

11am **High Mass**

Preacher: The Vicar

*Missa Qual donna, Lassus; Hosanna to*

*the Son of David, Weelkes; A spotless*

*rose, Howells*

5pm Low Mass

6pm **Advent Carols (A Vigil of Light)**

**& Benediction**

Music by Vaughan Williams, Byrd,

Praetorius & Handel

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST BARNABAS PIMLICO

**Wed 27 Nov | Feria**

12.45pm Low Mass

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S BOURNE ST

**Mon 25 Nov | St Catherine of Alexandria, M**

7.30am Low Mass

6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

**Tue 26 Nov | Feria**

7.30am Low Mass

6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

**Wed 27 Nov | Feria**

7.30am Low Mass

6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

**Thu 28 Nov | Feria**

7.30am Low Mass

6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

**Fri 29 Nov | Feria**

7.30am Low Mass

6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

**Sat 30 Nov | St Andrew the Apostle**

11am Morning Prayer

11.30am Low Mass

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):*

*12.05pm on Saturdays at St Mary's or by appointment*

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