

THE SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

12 MAY 2013



Welcome to St Mary's, especially if you are visiting us for the first time.
We extend a warm welcome to our visiting preacher, Fr Michael Wright.
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 Missa O rex gloriae, Alonso Lobo (1555-1617).
- ❖ The Propers (prayers, readings and verses) of today's Mass are set out overleaf.
- ❖ The Hymns are found in The New English Hymnal.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS ✨ WHITSUNDAY NOVENA

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created; and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

- ❖ We pray the **Rosary** on Saturdays during Mary's month of May at 11am.
- ❖ An update about the church repair/restoration project is available on the website. A limited number of printed copies are available at the back of church.
- ❖ Next Sunday is **Whitsunday**. Please sign up today for the **Parish Lunch** (£20) which begins the High Mass at 1.15pm. Choral Solemn Evensong & Benediction follow at 3pm.
- ❖ Future dates from the diary: **Corpus Christi, Thursday 30 May** (High Mass at 7pm); **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Friday 31 May** (Low Masses at 8.15am and 6.30pm); **the First Sunday after Trinity, 2 June** (High Mass, votive of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at 11am; Corpus Christi Festival at 6pm)
- ❖ **Foliage strippers for the Corpus Christi Festival** are invited to meet at church after Mass on Saturday 1 June. Please sign up at back of church. For more details, contact Kate Costeloe.
- ❖ **St Mary's Cable Street** celebrate their Dedication Festival on Saturday 25 May with a Solemn Mass at 12 noon. Preacher: The Bishop of Stepney.
- ❖ **Volunteers are needed at the Drop-In Centre, Kings Rd** (Chelsea Methodist Church) to serve tea on Thursdays 9-10am / 9am-12noon. Contact Steve on 07847 690638.
- ❖ The **Amos Trust Appeal** will end at the end of May.

THE INTERCESSIONS ✨ OF YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ❖ **The Sick:** Robin Tuck, Tracey Mundy | Eira Evans, Mary May, Neil Williamson, Katherine Lee, Elizabeth Rankin, Hilary Martin, Elizabeth Hart, Penny James | Ivy Punton, Fred Bowitch, Catherine Heriot Maitland, Richard McQuitter, Joseph McQuitter, Carl Mueller, Phil Hughes | Liz Russell, Jeffrey Winslow, Simon Marchese, John Bennett, Nina Drummond, Charmian Clarke, Patricia Cox, Kathleen Marchese, Michael Mundy
- ❖ **The Recently Departed:** Iris Clifford, Peter Jones, Catherine Chalker, Priscilla Leonard, Norman Routledge
- ❖ **Anniversaries of Death:** *Tuesday:* Lilian Proctor; *Wednesday:* Roland Baxter, Victor Garrison; *Thursday:* Heather Elizabeth Bowden; *Friday:* Margaret Ellen Mundy, Rose Elliott, Kathleen Lynton, Bill Diedrich; *Saturday:* Marcia Matthews
- ❖ **Other Intentions:** the work of the Amos Trust

The departing Jesus does not make his way to some distant star. He enters into communion of power and life with the living God, into God's dominion over space. Hence he has not 'gone away', but now and forever by God's own power he is present with us and for us. In the farewell discourses of St John's Gospel, this is exactly what Jesus says to his disciples: 'I go away, and I will come to you' (St John 14.28). These words sum up beautifully what is so special about Jesus' 'going away', which is also his 'coming', and at the same time they explain the mystery of the Cross, the Resurrection, and the Ascension. His going away is in this sense a coming, a new form of closeness, of continuing presence. Through his power over space, Jesus is present and accessible to all-throughout history and in every place. ✨ from Jesus of Nazareth by *Benedict XVI*

INTROIT *Exaudi, Domine**Psalm 27*

Consider, O LORD, and hear me, when I cry unto thee, alleluia: unto thee my heart hath said: 'Thy face, LORD, have I sought: thy face, LORD, I will seek: O hide not thou thy face from thy servant,' alleluia, alleluia. The LORD is my light, and my salvation: whom then shall I fear?

COLLECT

O God the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: we beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before.

FIRST READING

2 Kings 2.9-15

In those days: It came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha: 'Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee.' And Elisha said: 'I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.' And he said: 'Thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be so.' And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it, and he cried: 'My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.' And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces. He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan; and he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said: 'Where is the Lord GOD of Elijah?' And when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither; and Elisha went over. And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said: 'The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha.' And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.

ALLELUIA I *Regnavit Dominus**Psalm 47*

Alleluia. The LORD reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holy seat for ever.

EPISTLE

1 St Peter 4.7-11

Dearely beloved: The end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

ALLELUIA II *Non relinquam vos**St John 14*

Alleluia. 'I will not leave you comfortless: I go away and come again to you, and your heart shall be joyful.' Alleluia.

GOSPEL

St John 15.26 – 16.4

At that time: Jesus said unto his disciples: 'When the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: and ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them.'

SERMON

Fr Michael Wright

OFFERTORY MOTET

Gerald Finzi (1901-1956) ~ Edward Taylor (1642-1729)

God is gone up with a triumphant shout,
The Lord with sounding trumpets' melodies:
Sing praise, sing praises out,
Unto our King sing praise seraphicwise!
Lift up your heads, ye lasting doors, they sing,
And let the King of Glory enter in!

Methinks I see heaven's sparkling courtiers fly
In flakes of glory down him to attend,
And hear heart-cramping notes of melody
Surround his chariot as it did ascend,
Mixing their music, making every string
More to enravish as they this tune sing.

HYMN 443

Rejoice, the Lord is King

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Grant, O Lord, that this spotless sacrifice may cleanse us from all our sins:
And shed forth within our souls the strength of thy heavenly grace.

COMMUNION *Pater, cum essem*

St John 17

'Father, while I was with them in the world, I kept those that thou gavest me, alleluia: and now I come unto thee: I pray thee not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil: alleluia, alleluia.'

POSTCOMMUNION

O Lord, who hast vouchsafed to satisfy us with the sacred gifts of thy bounty: grant, we beseech thee, that we may ever continue to render thanks unto thee for the same.

THE SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER

SUNDAY 12 MAY THE SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION <i>Preacher: Fr Michael Wright</i> <i>Music: Lobo, Finzi</i>	StM StM StB StM StM StM	0845 Morning Prayer 0900 Low Mass 0930 SUNG MASS 1100 HIGH MASS 1800 Evensong & Benediction 1900 Low Mass
MONDAY 13 MAY <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>	StM StM StM StM	0800 Morning Prayer 0815 Low Mass 1800 Evening Prayer 1830 Low Mass
TUESDAY 14 MAY <i>S^t Matthias, Ap</i>	StM StM StM StM	0800 Morning Prayer 0815 Low Mass 1800 Evening Prayer 1830 Low Mass
WEDNESDAY 15 MAY <i>Feria of Easter</i>	StM StM StB StM StM	0800 Morning Prayer 0815 Low Mass 1245 Low Mass 1800 Evening Prayer 1830 Low Mass
THURSDAY 16 MAY <i>Feria of Easter</i>	StM StM StM StM	0800 Morning Prayer 0815 Low Mass 1800 Evening Prayer 1830 Low Mass
FRIDAY 17 MAY <i>Feria of Easter</i>	StM StM StM StM StM	0800 Morning Prayer 0815 Low Mass 0900 FHS Leavers' Service 1800 Evening Prayer 1830 Low Mass
SATURDAY 18 MAY <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	StM StM	1100 The Rosary 1130 Low Mass
SUNDAY 19 MAY WHITSUNDAY <i>Preacher: The Vicar</i> <i>Music: Palestrina</i> <i>Music: Gibbons, Elgar, Victoria</i>	StM StM StB StM StM StM	0845 Morning Prayer 0900 Low Mass 0930 SUNG MASS 1100 HIGH MASS 1500 CHORAL SOLEMN EVENSONG & BENEDICTION 1900 Low Mass

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): after 12 noon on Saturdays or by appointment

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