HOLY INNOCENTS
KINGSBURY
SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY
15TH NOVEMBER 2026
ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to Holy Innocents.
To use the loop system, switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

Please stand to sing when the hymn begins.

SERVICES TODAY
8.30am Said Eucharist
10.00am Eucharist

SERVICES THIS WEEK
Tuesday 10.00am Morning Prayer & coffee
Thursday 10.00am Said Eucharist followed by coffee

NEXT SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER – CHRIST THE KING
8.30am Said Eucharist
10.00am Eucharist

Processional hymn:

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
all are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
all are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

3. Let us build a house where all are named their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
all are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Marty Haugen (1995) AM365



WE GATHER

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

WE CONFESS

We take a moment to remember the ways in which our words, actions and thoughts have separated us from God and from each other.

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden,
to ask for his forgiveness and peace.



You made your church to be place of safety and refuge, yet people have been hurt and harmed. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy

You call your church be a voice for the voiceless and the oppressed, yet we have remained silent and not spoken out about injustice.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy

You send your church to be an example of love to the world, yet we have been selfish and not shown love to those who are hurting. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.



Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ gave us the perfect example of love and compassion forgive us our sins, open our eyes to your truth, open our hearts to your justice strengthen us to do your will, and make us, your church, a place of safety and refuge for all, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT *(a special prayer for today)*



Loving God, we pray that this church may be a place of welcome, security and compassion. Keep us watchful yet caring, trusting yet ready to question, that all who worship here may do so in safety and in the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Please sit as we listen to a reading from the Bible

FIRST READING *(1 CORINTHIANS 13)*

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians

If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING (1 JOHN 3.1-3, 18-24*)*

A reading from the first letter of to John

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Little children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us, for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God, and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Please stand to sing

Gradual hymn:

1. May this place be one of nurture
where we all may come to know
how your endless love sustains us
as we live and move and grow.
May we work to build your kingdom
full of truth and light and grace,
living life in all its fullness
held in one divine embrace.

2. From our negligence and failures
you have called us to repent,
drawing energy for action
from the voices of lament.
As the secret hurts long hidden
may at last be brought to light,
may the truth unlock the freedom
that is every person's right.

3. For you hold the broken hearted
till they learn to live again,
and your justice stands like mountains,
while your mercy falls like rain
when the smallest child is valued,
and the strong empower the weak,
when each human life is hallowed
and the unheard voices speak:

4. So with humble thanks we praise you
and we lift to you in prayer
all the people you are calling
to this ministry of care.
Give us wisdom, grace and courage,
holding fast to all that's good,
seeing Christ in one another
we will love and serve our Lord.

Ally Barret
(Tune: Corvedale (AM806))

GOSPEL READING *(John 15.9-14)*



Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.
If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as
I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you.

This is the gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

TALK

WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH

Please stand as we affirm our faith in God: the Father who made us and loves us; Jesus Christ his Son, who came among us to reveal that love; and the Holy Spirit, who sustains us and enables us to share God's love with others:

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.

WE PRAY

Please sit or kneel as we pray for the church, the world, the local community, those who suffer and those who have died.

This response may be used:
Lord, in your mercy:
Hear our prayer.



And at the end:
Merciful Father:
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

THE PEACE

Please stand as we share the peace

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.



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

OFFERTORY HYMN*:* *During this hymn there may be a collection for the work of the church; please give as generously as you can*

1. Father, hear the prayer we offer:
Not for ease that prayer shall be,
But for strength that we may ever
Live our lives courageously.

2. Not for ever in green pastures
Do we ask our way to be;
But the steep and rugged pathway
May we tread rejoicingly.

3. Not for ever by still waters
Would we idly rest and stay;
But would smite the living fountains
From the rocks along our way.

4. Be our strength in hours of weakness,
In our wanderings be our guide;
Through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.

Love Maria Willis (1824-1908)
AM 629

WE SHARE IN COMMUNION (THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER)

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.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.
You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.
He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.
Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.
Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.
As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:
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.

Let us pray each in our own language with confidence as our Saviour taught us:
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

Notre Pere..
Vater Unser..
Onze Vader..
Padre Nuestro..
我们的天父
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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 peace.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.



All are welcome; if you usually receive communion you are welcome to receive here. If you have not received communion (the bread/wine) before, or you do not wish to do so today, please do still come forward and carry this service book or bow your head and the priest will pray a blessing for you instead

Please sit while you wait to come forward and after returning to your seat.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Keep, O Lord, your Church,
with your perpetual mercy;
and, because without you
our human frailty cannot but fall,
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

NOTICES

WE GO OUT

Please stand for the blessing, final hymn and dismissal.

The God of love,
passionate and strong, faithful and tender,
watch over you and keep you safe all the days of your life;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen



RECESSIONAL HYMN:

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee,
'How great thou art!How great thou art!'
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee,
'How great thou art!How great thou art!'

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:

3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin:

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home -- what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, 'My God, how great thou art!'

Stuart K. Hine (1899-1989) AM 546

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

PLEASE DO STAY FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE

A Prayer for Safeguarding Sunday

God of love, who loved us first,
and who in Jesus, showed us how to love others,
forgive us for the times we've looked away,
or stayed silent when we should have spoken up.
Teach us to love as you love.

God of compassion, who sees the overlooked,
and draws near the hurting and exploited,
help us to see with your eyes, listen with your ears,
and give us courage to stand with those who are not heard.
Teach us to love as you love.

God of truth, who shines light into darkness
who reveals what is hidden and unspoken,
free us from our shame, our denial, and fear,
lead us in the way of honesty, openness and healing.
Teach us to love as you love.

God of protection, our place of safety and refuge,
may your Church be a place where:
power is used to serve, people find belonging,
and love is made real in what we say and do.
Teach us to love as you love,
with love that protects, always.
Amen

NOTICES

Christmas Fayre: Please speak to Clive if you or someone you know can help with the Fayre on 28th November.
Toiletries; There is a box in the narthex where we will be collecting toiletries for the Christmas Fayre. Please do donate any unwanted gift sets, soaps, perfume, hand cream etc.
Baked Goods; (biscuits, cakes etc) – Please wrap large cakes in clingfilm and label. All items must come with a list of ingredients please (this is in case of allergies, especially nuts).
We need good quality jewellery, crockery, bric-a-brac, children's books and toys for the Fayre.

Donations for Brent Foodbank; We are collecting items for Brent Foodbank – there is a list by the box in the Narthex. Please do bring along donations as you can.

For your prayers: Sunil; Madaleine; Andrea; Leo; Juliet; Martin; Ivy; Phyllis; Marylin; Coral; Robin; Ann; Carolyn P; Kenn.

Anniversary of death: Dennis Humphryes; Joan Thomas; Eileen Bevann.

Diary of upcoming events: for details see notices above or signs in church.

Day	Date	Time	EVENT	*Place*
Tuesday	24th Nov	11am-1pm	TIME TO SEW – BRING YOUR OWN *Come for a chat, sew a simple item from new or repurpose fabric or bring your clothes for simple mending/adaptation. Please bring your own fabric or a donation to cover fabric provided.*	*Church*
Saturday	28th Nov	10am-4pm	CHRISTMAS FAYRE	*Church Hall*
Thursday	3rd Dec	7-9pm	BIBLE STUDY *Time to read and study the Bible together. We will start with food so please let Sophie know if you can come along.*	*Church*
Saturday	19th Dec	4pm	QUIET CHRISTMAS *A service of reflection with readings, prayers and carols with space to remember the loved ones we have lost and bring to God our burdens and fears*	*Church*
Sunday	20th Dec	5pm	CAROL SERVICE	*Church*
Thursday	24th Dec	4pm	NATIVITY SERVICE	*Church*
		11pm	MIDNIGHT MASS	*Church*
Friday	25th Dec	10am	CHRISTMAS EUCHARIST	*Church*
Sunday	27th Dec	10am	EUCHARIST FOR HOLY INNOCENTS	*Church*

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