



The Parish
of Colindale

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Dedication Festival

and Blessing

of the Shrine of Saint Mellitus

Sunday 24th October 2021 11am

Celebrant and Preacher:

The Rt Rev'd Rob Wickham, Bishop of Edmonton



Welcome to St Matthias as we celebrate the 48th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Parish Church, in this year that marks the 70th anniversary of the creation of the ecclesiastical Parish of Colindale.

The first Anglican place of worship in Colindale was an "iron chapel" dedicated to Saint Mellitus, which stood in Colindeep Lane in the 1920s while the building of the suburb was getting underway. Mellitus was one of the missionaries sent from Rome to join the work of Augustine of Canterbury, becoming the first Bishop of London with his seat at St Paul's Cathedral in the year 604, and third Archbishop of Canterbury in 619. The dedication to Mellitus was, however, lost when the mission territory was divided in two, the northern part becoming the parish of St Alphage, Burnt Oak. (Alphage, or Ælfheah, was 29th Archbishop of Canterbury, martyred by the Danes in 1012). A combined church and hall was built in the southern part of the territory and named after Saint Matthias the Apostle, a dedication chosen by its first mission priest who came from a church of Saint Matthias in Canada. The southern part of the mission territory became the Parish of Colindale (Saint Matthias) in 1951. The bell from the old iron chapel was saved and recast into the bell for the new church and hall.

After fundraising within the parish, the new church was built, and dedicated on 21st October 1973 by Bishop Alan Rogers of Edmonton. The side chapel was dedicated to "Our Lady and Saint Mellitus" to commemorate the original dedication of the mission district. A beautiful carved wooden image of Our Lady and Child was installed in the chapel, but there was no visible reminder of its joint dedication to Saint Mellitus. Mindful of this, in 2019 the PCC commissioned Russian iconographer Tatiana Kolibaba to paint an icon of Saint Mellitus to be installed in the chapel as a focus of devotion, and as an encouragement for our own mission in Colindale today. The figure of Mellitus is modelled on the icon in St Paul's Cathedral, and the open book that he is holding displays the text of Mark 16.15: "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation". After delays caused by the pandemic, we are delighted that the present Bishop of Edmonton returns to the church his predecessor consecrated, to formally bless our new icon.

Beneath the icon is a small shrine containing a relic of Saint Mellitus, which the present parish priest found in an antique shop in Vienna in 1998. Before the Reformation, the relics of Saint Mellitus were enshrined in a prominent position in Saint Augustine's Abbey in Canterbury, alongside Saint Augustine himself and the remains of other early Archbishops of Canterbury. Portions of these relics were distributed elsewhere in Europe, most likely being given to important Benedictine monasteries, and so some have survived to our own day. Relics of Saint Augustine of Canterbury and of Saint Laurence, his immediate successor, can be seen today in Pugin's shrine church of Saint Augustine in Ramsgate, Kent.

COVID precautions:

- Please use the hand sanitiser (or wash your hands) on arrival at Church, and do not come to Church if you are unwell in any way.
- So far as possible please keep two metres distance between people who are not from the same household.
- Please wear face coverings during singing (unless you are exempt) to reduce the transmission of airborne droplets. Disposable face masks are available – please ask.
- There will be extra ventilation to reduce the build-up of aerosols. Wrap up warm!
- Holy Communion will be given in one kind.

Please stand as the bell rings

Entrance Hymn *Urbs Beata Jerusalem (c.7th C), tr: J.M. Neale. Tune: Westminster Abbey (Complete Anglican Hymns Old & New 97)*

1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious,
binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever,
and her confidence alone.

2 All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

3 To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today:
with thy wonted loving-kindness
hear thy people as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls away.

4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain,
what they gain from thee forever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.

5 Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
Consubstantial, coeternal,
while unending ages run.

The Greeting

Bishop: ✠ In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Bishop: Peace be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The Bishop introduces the Mass.

Confession

Bishop: We are a temple of God's indwelling Holy Spirit, yet we have grieved him.
The temple of our bodies does not belong to us,
but was bought at the price of Christ's precious blood.
So we come, in sorrow yet with confidence,
to ask forgiveness of our Father in heaven.

All: **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.**

Bishop: Almighty God,
who in Jesus Christ has given us
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,
✠ forgive you your sins,
open your eyes to God's truth,
strengthen you to do God's will
and give you the joy of his kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison (*Gregory Murray, A New People's Mass*)

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis (Gregory Murray, *A New People's Mass*)

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.

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.

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. Amen.

The Opening Prayer

Bishop: Let us pray.

A short period of silence is kept.

Almighty God,
to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer:
we praise you for the many blessings
you have given to those who worship you here:
and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you,
and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,
may become a living temple acceptable to 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.

All: Amen.

The First Reading (*Revelation 21.9–14*) – Sit

Reader: A reading from the book of Revelation.

One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, 'Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.'

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 122 - *Remain seated.*

Response:

I was glad when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord'.

I was glad when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'
Now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R**

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself.
To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the Lord.
For there are the thrones of judgement,
the thrones of the house of David. **R**

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
'May they prosper who love you.
Peace be within your walls
and quietness within your towers. **R**

For my family and companions' sake,
I pray for your prosperity.
Because of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good.' **R**

The Second Reading (*1 Peter 2.1–10*)

Reader: A reading from the first letter of Peter

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight,

Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,'
and

'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.'

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation - Stand

Cantor: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Cantor: Lord, we love the house of your habitation,
and the place where your glory abides.

All: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

The Holy Gospel (John 10.22–29)

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Minister: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon.

So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.'

Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.'

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon – Sit

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The Creed - Stand

All: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
*¹For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.*
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

¹ At the words in italics all bow

who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Blessing of the Shrine of Saint Mellitus

The Bishop, accompanied by the Churchwardens, Sanctuary Party, Civic Representatives and the Representative of Saint Mellitus College, proceed to the Chapel of Our Lady and Saint Mellitus.

Hymn William Walsham How (1823-1897). Tune: *Sine Nomine* (CAH 178)

1 For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever bless'd.
Alleluia, alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their refuge, and their might,
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia, alleluia!

3 O bless'd communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine,
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Please turn to face the Chapel

Bishop: Lord, we bless you for you alone are holy,
and because in your compassion for sinners
you sent into the world your Son, Jesus Christ,
the author and perfecter of holiness.

He sent the Spirit to sustain his newborn Church,
a voice that teaches us the secrets of holiness,
a breeze that strengthens and refreshes,
a fire that sears our hearts in love,
the seed of God that yields a harvest of grace.

Today we praise you for the gifts of the Spirit
bestowed on Saint Mellitus,
in whose honour we dedicate this icon.

May we follow in the footsteps of the Lord,
keeping before us the example of Saint Mellitus,
and grow to a maturity measured not by nature,
but by the fullness of Christ.

May we proclaim his Gospel by word and deed and,
shouldering our crosses daily,
expend ourselves for others in your service.

As we carry out our earthly duties,
may we be filled with the Spirit of Christ
and keep our eyes fixed on the glories of heaven,
where you, Father, receive those who will reign with your Son,
for ever and ever.

(Book of Blessings, United States National Conference of Catholic Bishops)

All: Amen.

The icon is sprinkled with Holy Water and incensed

The Bishop, Churchwardens, Sanctuary Party, Civic Representatives, and the Representative of Saint Mellitus College, return to their places.

Hymn *(continued)*

4 The golden evening brightens in the west.
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest.
Sweet is the calm of paradise the bless'd.
Alleluia, alleluia!

5 But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array,
the King of Glory passes on his way.
Alleluia, alleluia!

6 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Intercessions

Reader: The risen Christ is here in the midst of us.
We bring our prayers to him as Lord of the Church.
For the Church universal, of which this building is a visible symbol,

All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.

Reader: For this congregation, as we remember your promise
that when two or three are gathered in your name
you are there in the midst of them,

All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.

Reader: For this place, that we may be still and know that you are God,

All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.

Reader: For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,

All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For your blessings in the past and for a vision for the future,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For the gift of the Holy Spirit and new life in baptism,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For the pardon of our sins when we fall short of your glory,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For a foretaste of your eternal kingdom
in the sacrament of the Eucharist,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For the blessing of our vows
and the crowning of our years with your goodness,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For the faith of those who have gone before us
and for grace to persevere like them,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For the benefactors of this place
and all who have died in the peace of Christ and are at rest,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: For our fellowship with The Blessed Virgin Mary,
Matthias, Mellitus, and all your saints,
All: Lord, receive our thanks and prayer.
Reader: O God, from living stones
you prepare an everlasting dwelling-place for your majesty.
Grant that in the power of the Holy Spirit
those who serve you here
may always be kept within your presence.
This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

The Peace

Bishop: Peace to this house from God our heavenly Father.
Peace to this house from his Son who is our peace.
Peace to this house from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Offertory hymn

Ascribed to Thomas à Kempis (c1379-1471), tr: J.M. Neale. Tune: Regent Square, CAH 398

1 Light's abode, celestial Salem,
vision whence true peace doth spring,
brighter than the heart can fancy,
mansion of the highest King;
O how glorious are the praises
which of thee the prophets sing!

2 There for ever and for ever
alleluia is outpoured;
for unending, for unbroken,
is the feast-day of the Lord;
all is pure and all is holy
that within thy walls is stored.

3 There no cloud or passing vapour
dims the brightness of the air;
endless noon-day, glorious noon-day,
from the Sun of suns is there;
there no night brings rest from labour,
for unknown are toil and care.

4 O how glorious and resplendent,
fragile body, shalt thou be,
when endued with so much beauty,
full of health and strong and free,
full of vigour, full of pleasure
that shall last eternally.

5 Now with gladness, now with courage,
bear the burden on thee laid,
that hereafter these thy labours
may with endless gifts be paid;
and in everlasting glory
thou with brightness be arrayed.

6 Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
consubstantial, co-eternal,
while unending ages run.

Bishop: Pray, brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

Bishop: Lord, teach us how to repay you for your goodness towards us.
We will lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon your name.

All: Amen

The Eucharistic Prayer

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Bishop: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
enthroned upon the praises of your people.

We thank you for this house of prayer,
in which you bless your family
as we come to you in pilgrimage.
Here you reveal your presence in sacramental signs
and make us one with you through the unseen bond of grace.

Here you build your temple of living stones
and bring the Church to its full stature
as the body of Christ throughout the world,
to reach its perfection at last
in the heavenly city of Jerusalem,
which is the vision of your peace.

Therefore, in union with the heavenly Jerusalem,
with angels in joyful assembly,
with all whose names are written in heaven
and with the spirits of the righteous made perfect,
we lift up our voices to join in the triumphal song of praise:

**All: 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.**

Bishop: Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine may become for us
the ✠ body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Bishop: Great is the mystery of faith

**All: Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Bishop: And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

Concelebrant: As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you the bread of life and the cup of salvation
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on Sarah and Robert our bishops
and on all your people.
Remember our brothers and sisters
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection,
and all who have died in your mercy:
welcome them into the light of your face,
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of
Blessed Mary, Mother of God,
Blessed Joseph her spouse,
Saint Matthias, Saint Mellitus,
and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

Bishop: By whom, and with whom, and in whom
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All: 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 Breaking of the Bread

Bishop: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei (*Gregory Murray, A New People's Mass*)

All: 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 Giving of Communion

Bishop: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. (*John 1:29*)
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb (*Rev. 19:9*)

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon

Bishop: Be built up like living stones,
into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood. (*Cf. 1 Pet 2: 5*)

If you are a baptised member of another Christian Church and you normally receive Holy Communion you are welcome to do so here, if the discipline of your own church permits. If you prefer to come forward for a blessing please hold the service booklet as a sign that this is what you wish.

Words at the distribution of Holy Communion:

Minister: The Body of Christ

Response: Amen.

Hymn after Communion – *sit. St Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787), tr: Edward Vaughan (1827-1908). Tune: Tynemouth. Celebration Hymnal for Everyone 517.*

1. O bread of heaven, beneath this veil
thou dost my very God conceal;
my Jesus, dearest treasure, hail;
I love thee and adoring kneel;
each loving soul by thee is fed
with thine own self in form of bread.

2. O food of life, thou who dost give
the pledge of immortality;
I live; no, 'tis not I that live;
God gives me life, God lives in me:
he feeds my soul, he guides my ways,
and every grief with joy repays.

Prayer after Communion - *Stand*

Bishop: Let us pray.

Father in heaven,
whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace,
an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem:
grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage
that, fed with the living bread of heaven,
and united in the body of your Son,
we may be the temple of your presence,
the place of your glory on earth,
and a sign of your peace in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord

All: Amen.

Notices - Sit

The Blessing and Dismissal

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who has made heaven and earth.

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

All: Now and for ever.

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Minister: Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing

Bishop: God has given you the citizenship of heaven,
with his blessed and beloved,
and the whole company of the redeemed.

All: Amen.

Bishop: God give you the will to live each day in life eternal.

All: Amen.

Bishop: God bring you to the home
that Christ prepares for all who love him.

All: Amen.

Bishop: And the blessing of God almighty,
the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Minister: The Mass is ended; go in the peace of Christ

All: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn –*Timothy Dudley-Smith (b 1926), tune: Lord of the Years, CAH 409.*

1 Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

2 Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.

**3 Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.**

**4 Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**

**5 Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.**

We turn to face Chapel of Our Lady and Saint Mellitus to pray the Angelus:

Priest: The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary

All: **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit**

Priest: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with Thee;
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

All: **Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

Priest: Behold the handmaid of the Lord

All: **Be it unto me according to your word.**

Hail Mary...

Priest: And the Word was made flesh

All: **And dwelt among us**

Hail Mary...

Priest: Pray for us O Holy Mother of God

All: **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Priest: We beseech you, O Lord,
pour your grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of
your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his^x cross and
passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus
Christ your Son our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Drinks and a buffet lunch will be served in the Church after Mass



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