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Welcome to S. Paul's today in church or on Zoom.

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'Love one another as I have loved you', says the Lord.



Churchwardens: Mr Andrew Taylor & Mr Ian Bhullar

Organist: Mr William Parkinson



THE FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 31st MAY 2026

THE PARISH MASS
with the Sacrament
of Holy Confirmation
SUNG
10.30am

Celebrant & Preacher: Bishop Rob Wickham

Assistant-Bishop of Southwark, CEO of the Church Urban Fund,
(formerly Bishop of Edmonton, Diocese of London, 2015-2023)

Deacon of the Mass: The Rector

Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne

Hymns in NEH (green book)

Please join in with the Bold Type

¶ THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Stand

Blessed be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

The Processional Hymn: 148

The God of Abraham praise (Tune: Leoni)

Entrance Antiphon

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

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

The Introduction to the Mass

The celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the Mass.

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon of the Mass

Sisters and brothers,
to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

**I confess to almighty God,
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;**

(And, striking their breast, they say:)

**through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;**

(Then they continue:)

**therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord, our God. Amen.**

The Confiteor

The bishop pronounces **the Absolution**

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

The Kyrie Eleison

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

The Gloria in Excelsis

**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.**

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

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

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

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:
keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;
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.**

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit for the readings

First Reading from the Old Testament

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah (40: 12-17, 27-end)

Read by Tom

¹² Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? ¹³ Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? ¹⁴ Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him his knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? ¹⁵ Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. ¹⁶ Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. ¹⁷ All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. ²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? ²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹ He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹ but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalms: 8

**R./ O Lord our Governor,
how exalted is your name in all the world!**

Read by Evan

¹ O LORD our Governor,
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

² Out of the mouths of infants and children
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

³ You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
to quell the enemy and the avenger. **R./**

⁴ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁵ What are mortals that you should be mindful of them?
the son of man that you should seek him out?

⁶ You have made them but little lower than the angels;
you adorn him with glory and honour; **R./**

⁷ You give them mastery over the works of your hands;
you put all things under their feet:

⁸ All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁹ The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

¹⁰ O LORD our Governor,
how exalted is your Name in all the world! **R./**

Second Reading from the New Testament

A reading from the Second Letter of S. Paul to the Corinthians (13: 11-13)
Read by Stephanie

¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. ¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stand & turn to face the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation and Reading

♫ **Alleluia!** Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God,
who is, and who was, and who is to come. **Alleluia** ♫
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

A ✠ reading from the ✠ Holy Gospel according to ✠ **Matthew (28: 16-20)**
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Homily

¶ THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY CONFIRMATION

The Paschal Candle is lit.

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*Names of Candidates with chosen **saint's name** underlined in bold red.*

Lily **Cecilia** Church-Pratt

S. Cecilia

Evan **John** Cummins

S. John Bosco

Thomas **Francis** Fleming

S. Francis of Assisi

Stephanie Marie **Teresa** James

S. Teresa of Ávila.

*The candidates come out from their pew,
and stand before the bishop seated in his Chair.*

The congregation remains seated.

The candidates are presented by the Rector:

Bishop Rob,
I present **N.**
as a candidate for confirmation.

The bishop asks the candidates,
Have you been baptized
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit?
I have.

Are you ready with your own mouth
and from your own heart
to affirm your faith in Jesus Christ?
I am.

All Stand.

The bishop addresses the whole congregation.

People of God,
will you welcome these candidates
and uphold them in their life in Christ?
With the help of God, we will.

*The **Veni Creator Spiritus** is sung.*

Deacon of the Mass sings the first verse,

¹ Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

*The bishop, deacon, servers and candidates process to the Font,
which is filled with holy water.*

**2. Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight.**

**3. Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide no ill can come.**

**4. Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but one;
That through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song.**

**5. Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Tune: Veni Creator Spiritus

Author of text: Rabanus Maurus (776-856) Latin, 9th century

Translator of text: John Cosin (1594-1672)

THE DECISION

At the Font.

The bishop addresses all the candidates.

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness
into his marvellous light.

To follow Christ means dying to sin
and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Candidates turn to face West.

Do you reject
the devil and all rebellion against God?
I reject them.

Do you renounce
the deceit and corruption of evil?
I renounce them.

Do you repent
of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?
I repent of them.

Candidates turn to face East.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?
I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?
I come to Christ.

Candidates turn to face the bishop, who says,

May God
who has given you the desire to follow Christ
give you strength to continue in the Way. **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The bishop addresses the congregation.

Brothers and sisters,
I ask you to profess together
with these candidates the faith of the Church.

Congregation and candidates face East.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come
to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
✠ and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The candidates come forward to the Font
and make the ✠ Sign of the Cross on their foreheads.*

Then the bishop says,

Almighty God,
we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith
with all who have been baptized into your name.
Keep us faithful to our baptism,
and so make us ready for that day
when the whole creation
shall be made perfect in your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The bishop, deacon, servers & candidates process back to the sanctuary.



CONFIRMATION

*The bishop, at the Chair,
stands before those who are to be confirmed,
and says,*

Blessed be the name of the Lord.
Now and for ever.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
Who made heaven and earth.

The bishop extends his hands towards those to be confirmed and says,

Almighty and ever-living God,
you have given these your servants
new birth in baptism
by water and the Spirit,
and have forgiven them all their sins.
Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them:
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding;
the Spirit of counsel and inward strength;
the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness;
and let their delight be in the fear of the Lord. **Amen.**

*The candidates approach the bishop in turn,
and kneel before him.*

The bishop addresses each candidate by name.

N.,

God has called you by name
and made you his own.

He then lays his hands on the head of each, saying,

Confirm, O Lord,
your servant with your Holy Spirit.
Amen.

followed by anointing with the oil of Chrism, saying,

Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Once Confirmed, the candidate kisses the bishop's ring.

The bishop invites the congregation to pray for all those on whom hands have been laid.

**Defend, O Lord, these your servants
with your heavenly grace,
that they may continue yours for ever,
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more
until they come to your everlasting kingdom. Amen.**

THE COMMISSION

The bishop leads the Commission.

Those who are baptized and confirmed
are called to worship and serve God.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you persevere in resisting evil,
and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you proclaim by word and example
the good news of God in Christ?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people,
loving your neighbour as yourself?

With the help of God, I will.

Will you acknowledge Christ's authority over human society,
by prayer for the world and its leaders,
by defending the weak, and by seeking peace and justice?

With the help of God, I will.

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,
that you may be rooted and grounded in love
and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit. **Amen.**

Remain standing

Prayers of Intercession

Bishop

As we worship the Holy Trinity,
let us present our needs before the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
We pray to the Lord, saying, **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor 1 - Lily

That the one God in three persons may bring about unity and harmony
among the many nations of the world, we pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 2 - Evan

That the Church may ever more effectively proclaim Christ,
who leads all to the Father in the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 3 - Tom

That the union of life in the Trinity may bring us into deeper union
with those society tends to reject or ignore, we pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 4 - Stephanie

That the poor, the sick, and all who suffer may be filled with the life
of the Trinity and experience the loving presence of God's people.
(Bishop: We especially remember ...), we pray to the Lord.

Deacon of the Mass

That all who have died may share the life of the Trinity forever.
We pray for the recently departed, *especially...*

and all those whose anniversaries fall at this time *especially...*

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

✠ May they rest in peace

and rise in glory. Amen.

*The celebrant invites us to offer our personal intentions,
and then leads us in asking for the Prayers of our Lady & the Saints.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the BVM we pray: **Hail Mary...**

S. Peter, Prince of the Apostles, **Pray for us.**

S. Paul the Apostle, our Patron

S. Joseph of Nazareth, spouse of the BVM

S. Benedict and **S. Scholastica**

S. Augustine and **S. Monica**

S. Francis and **S. Clare** of Assisi

S. Cecilia, **S. John Bosco**, **S. Teresa** of Ávila

S. Justin Martyr, **Ss. Marcellinus & Peter**, Martyrs of Uganda

S. Petroc, **S. Boniface**, **S. Norbert**, All you angels and saints.

Merciful God,

**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
Our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace.

Bishop says,

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:

Peace I leave you, my peace I give you.

Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom
where you live for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Deacon of the Mass

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We share the peace with those immediately around us,
a sign that expresses peace, communion, and love.*

Agnus Dei

*during which the celebrant takes the host and breaks it over the paten,
placing a small piece in the chalice.*

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Altar is prepared

The Offertory Hymns

159 I Bind unto myself (Tune: *S. Patrick's Breastplate*)

with **Hymn 278** **between verses 5 & 6**, Christ be with me (Tune: *Garton*)

Remain standing

Orate Fratres

Pray my sisters and brothers,

that my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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 Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Sanctify by the invocation of your name,

we pray, O Lord our God,

this oblation of our service,

and by it make of us an eternal offering to you.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

*Here follows the Preface in which the celebrant praises God for his mighty acts,
and all respond:*

**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.

The celebrant recalls the Last Supper, and this acclamation is used:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly:

AMEN.

¶ THE COMMUNION RITE

Remain standing

The Lord's Prayer

Looking for the coming of his kingdom,

let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.

The celebrant adds:

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day.

In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all distress

as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For thine is the kingdom,

the power and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

**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.**

Giving of Communion

Behold 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.

Communion Antiphon

Since you are children of God,

God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son,

the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

Galatians 4: 6

Please follow the directions of the sidespeople.

The Body / Blood of Christ.

The communicant replies Amen. and then receives.

*** At home, make an Act of Spiritual Communion ***

*As you imagine yourself receiving the Bread of Heaven, be still and rest in the love
of God. Thank Him for entering beneath the roof of your soul.*

○ Sacred Feast! Wherein Christ is received,
his Passion is remembered, our souls are filled with grace
and the pledge of eternal glory is received.

O Sacrum Convivium, 13th century (attributed to S. Thomas Aquinas)

After receiving Holy Communion pray quietly in thanksgiving.

THE JESUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

THE TRISAGION (Thrice Holy)

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, Have mercy on us. (x3)

A prayer to the All-Holy Trinity

The Father is my hope;

The Son is my refuge;

The Holy Spirit is my protector.

○ All-holy Trinity, glory to You.

“Our social program is the dogma of the Trinity.”

Nikolai Fedorov

Russian Orthodox theologian & philosopher, 1829-1903.

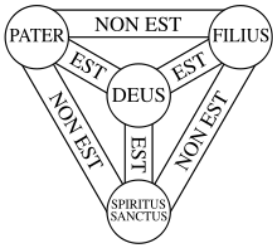
In worship we enter the mystery of the Holy Trinity,
and the Trinity gives us our social doctrine, unity with diversity.

The Communion Hymn: 146

Holy, Holy, Holy! (Tune: Nicea)

The **Shield of the Holy Trinity** a visual representation of the doctrine of the Trinity, derived from the **Athanasian Creed**.

The Latin reads: "The Father is God, The Son is God,



The Holy Spirit is God;
God is the Father,
God is the Son,
God is the Holy Spirit;
The Father is not the Son,
The Son is not the Father,
The Father is not the Holy Spirit,
The Holy Spirit is not the Father,
The Son is not the Holy Spirit,
The Holy Spirit is not the Son."

ATHANASIAN CREED

Quicumque vult (Whoever wishes...)

"Whosoever will be saved,
before all things it is necessary
that he hold the Catholic Faith.

And the Catholic Faith is this:
That we worship one God in Trinity,
and Trinity in Unity,
neither confounding the Persons,
nor dividing the Substance.

"... And in this Trinity none is afore or after other,
none is greater or less than another."

**As in the Holy Trinity,
so in this church and parish.**

XIV: Batter my heart, three-person'd God

*One of the 19 'Holy Sonnets' by John Donne first published in 1633,
2 years after his death.*

Batter my heart, three-person'd God, for you
As yet but knock, breathe, shine, and seek to mend;
That I may rise and stand, o'erthrow me, and bend
Your force to break, blow, burn, and make me new.
I, like an usurp'd town to another due,
Labor to admit you, but oh, to no end;
Reason, your viceroy in me, me should defend,
But is captiv'd, and proves weak or untrue.
Yet dearly I love you, and would be lov'd fain,
But am betroth'd unto your enemy;
Divorce me, untie or break that knot again,
Take me to you, imprison me, for I,
Except you enthrall me, never shall be free,
Nor ever chaste, except you ravish me.

John Donne was born in about the year 1571 and brought up as a Roman Catholic. He was a great-great-nephew of Thomas More, although this seems to have had little influence on him, as he led a somewhat debauched youth and was extremely sceptical about all religion. He went up to Oxford when he was fourteen, studied further at Cambridge and perhaps on the Continent, and eventually discovered his Christian faith in the Church of England. After much heart-searching, he accepted ordination and later the post of Dean of St Paul's Cathedral, (1621 until his death). Much of his cynicism dissolved and he became a strong advocate for the discerning of Christian vocation, and in particular affirming his own vocation as a priest, loving and loved by the crucified Christ. In late November and early December 1623, he suffered a nearly fatal illness, thought to be either typhus or a combination of a cold followed by a period of fever. During his convalescence he wrote a series of meditations and prayers on health, pain and sickness that were published as a book in 1624 under the title of 'Devotions upon Emergent Occasions'. One of these meditations, Meditation XVII, contains the well-known phrases "No man is an Iland" (often modernised as "No man is an island") and "...for whom the bell tolls".

No man is an island entire of itself; every man
is a piece of the continent, a part of the main;
if a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe
is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as
well as any manner of thy friends or of thine
own were; any man's death diminishes me,
because I am involved in mankind.
And therefore never send to know for whom
the bell tolls; it tolls for thee.

In 1624, he became vicar of St Dunstan-in-the-West, and in 1625 a prolocutor to Charles I. He earned a reputation as an eloquent preacher and the people of London flocked to his sermons, 160 of which have survived, including 'Death's Duel', his famous sermon delivered at the Palace of Whitehall before King Charles I in

February 1631. He died on the 31st of March in the year 1631. His love poetry and religious poems took on a renewed life in the twentieth century and his place both as a patristic scholar and as a moral theologian are confirmed by his prolific writings and the publication of his sermons.

¶ THE CONCLUDING RITE

Stand

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and eternal God,
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:
hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,
who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



¶ NOTICES & ANY BANNES OF MARRIAGE.

The Presentations to the Candidates.

The Confirmation Class of 2026 Photograph

Stand

The Solemn Blessing

Bishop says,

The Lord be with you
And also with you.
Blessed be the name of the Lord.
Now and for ever.
Our help is in the name of the Lord.
Who made heaven and earth.

Deacon of the Mass says,

Let us bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

Bishop

The Lord bless you and keep you: **Amen.**

The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious to you: **Amen.**

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace: **Amen.**

The Lord God almighty,
✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
the holy and undivided Trinity, guard you, save you,
and bring you to that heavenly city,
where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Deacon of the Mass sings The Dismissal



The Recessional Hymn

Mine eyes (Tune: Battle Hymn of the Republic)

**1. Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage
Where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He has loosed the fateful lightning
Of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.**

Chorus

**Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Our God is marching on!**

2. In the beauty of the lilies
 Christ was born across the sea
 With a hidden flame of glory
 That transfigures you and me;
 As He came to make us holy
 So He died to make them free;
 His truth is marching on.

3. He comes in secret majesty
 Disguised in wine and bread;
 Thus He comes to every faithful heart
 Wherever Mass is said.
 He is coming at the last
 To judge the living and the dead;
 Our God is marching on.

4. He is coming, He is coming
 To restore and make all whole;
 He is coming to His altar
 Till He reigns from pole to pole.
 Then prepare my heart to meet Him
 And be ready, O my soul,
 For God is marching on.

The Angelus

The Angel of the Lord brought glad tidings to Mary;
 And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,
 blessed art thou among women,
 and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.
 Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now,
 and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

Be it unto me according to thy Word. Hail Mary...

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

Pray for us O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known
 the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his Cross
 and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection; through the
 same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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∞ ∞ PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET AWAY WITH YOU
 & MAKE YOUR WAY TO THE CRYPT FOR REFRESHMENTS. ∞

THE COLLECTION OF MONEY

is taken for the Mission & Ministry of the Church.

Please see the **Financial Information** Section in the **Notices** on the
 back page of this Mass Sheet for further information about giving to S. Paul's.
 Contactless payment and Yellow envelopes are provided for the gifts of
 visitors. Please fill in the front of the envelope or enter the details on
 the machine so that we can claim Gift Aid on your offering.

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 est', from Mass VIII (Missa de Angelis), Graduale Romanum, Solesmes, 1961, p. 31.

Image on front page is the **Icon of the Trinity** by Russian painter **Andrei Rublev** in the
 15th century, (1411, or, 1425-27) It is his most famous and the most famous of all Russian icons.
 The Icon, currently held in the Tretyakov Gallery in Moscow, depicts the three angels who visited
 Abraham at the Oak of Mamre (Genesis 18:1-8), but the painting is full of symbolism and is
 interpreted as an icon of the Holy Trinity. For Rublev, the Holy Trinity was the embodiment of spiritual
 unity, peace, harmony, mutual love and humility.

**THE KALENDAR
 TRINITY SUNDAY**

**9th WEEK of ORDINARY TIME:
 31st MAY to 6th JUNE 2026**

MASS & Other Service Times in church

SUN, 31st May, MP 9am, **PARISH MASS 10.30am, EP 5pm**
MON, 1st June, S. Justin Martyr No Public Liturgies
TUES, 2nd, Ss. Marcellinus & Peter MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
WEDS, 3rd, Martyrs of Uganda MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
THURS, 4th, S. Petroc MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
FRI, 5th, S. Boniface MP 9.15am, EP 6.00pm
SAT, 6th, S. Norbert MP 10.00am, (No Mass today), EP 6pm

DAILY OFFICE: MP = Morning Prayer, EP = Evening Prayer

7th JUNE 2026

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

MORNING PRAYER at 9.00am

PARISH MASS CHORAL at 10.30am

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector



** Please bring flower petals for the
 procession with the Blessed Sacrament at
 the end of Mass,



Bring & Share meal in the crypt after Mass.

EVENING PRAYER at 5pm

THE NOTICES

Please let Fr Paul know if you are interested in
HOLY BAPTISM &/or in HOLY CONFIRMATION



Ω S. PAUL'S OMEGA STUDY GROUP Ω

Thursday, 18th June 8.30-10pm on Zoom.

When we will watch and discuss the film,
 'The Flowers of Saint Francis' (1950)

Directed by Roberto Rossellini.

All welcome. Info & login details on Parish website
 & the Rector's Weekly Email.

CHURCH CLEANING every Saturday after Mass until 12.30pm.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

'The Lord loves a cheerful giver.'

The Church, based upon biblical teaching, asks every Christian to give a Tithe, 10% of
 their time, talents & money to God's work, and recommends that members contribute
 5% of their income to their church. **E.g. If you earn:**

£5000 a year or, £96 a week = Give £5 a week to S. Paul's.

£10000 a year, £192 a week = £10 a week. £20000 a year, £385 a week = £20 a week.

£25000 a year, £480 a week = £25 a week. £30000 a year, £577 a week = £30 a week.

Over the year our costs run to almost £1,000 a week. We receive no external
 subsidies, and all monies must be raised from the parishioners, through lettings,
 or voluntary donations. **Thank you** for all financial contributions which help to
 pay for: - the: Utility bills of the church, (gas, electricity, water) - Costs of maintaining
 the worship, (e.g. candles, wine, wafers, incense) - Maintenance, cleaning, & repair of
 our Grade I Listed church, (substantial costs) - Office costs (e.g. postage, printing,
 paper) - Monthly Diocesan Parish Share to the Diocese, (80p out of every £1 we give
 to the Diocese goes towards clergy stipends).

**We ask everyone, who can, to please give via Direct Debit,
 Standing Order, or, via the Weekly Envelope Scheme.**

GIVING VIA DIRECT DEBIT: Please see the **PARISH GIVING SCHEME**
 information leaflet and Direct Debit Form, on the Parish Website

ONLINE GIVING: Our **Give A Little** page is available on our website,
 via the **Donate** button, or here: <https://bit.ly/spd-giving>

✠ FURTHER INFORMATION & UPDATES ✠

On the **Parish Website, Church Noticeboard** (churchyard
 forecourt) & **Subscribe to the Rector's Weekly Email** directly
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