



Eric Ravilious Mount Caburn (1935) Towner Gallery, Eastbourne

EASTER V (ROGATION SUNDAY) Mattins with Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher Father Stephen Anderson Priest in Charge

9th May 2021 at 11.00am

Music before the service
J Alain Choral phrygien and C Franck Prelude

WELCOME - Fr Stephen

THE INTROIT



O Jesus, crowned with all renown, Since thou the earth hast trod, Thou reignest and by thee come down Henceforth the gifts of God. Thine is the health and thine the wealth That in our halls abound, And thine the beauty and the joy With which the years are crowned. Lord, in their change, let frost and heat, And winds and dews be given; All fostering power, all influence sweet, Breathe from the bounteous heaven. fair and gentle air The sunshine and the rain, That kindly earth with timely birth May yield her fruits again:

That we may feed the poor aright, And gathering round thy throne, Here, in the holy angel's sight, Repay thee of thine own: That we may praise thee all our days, And with the Father's name, And with the Holy Spirit's gifts, The Saviour's love proclaim.

THE VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,

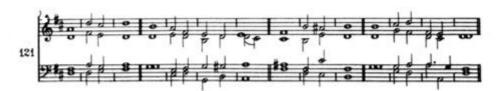
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ Please sit

PSALM 66 vv. 1-8



- O BE joyful in God'all ye'lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his' praise' to be' glorious.
- 2 Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou'in thy'works: through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found'liars' unto 'thee.
- 3 For all the 'world shall 'worship thee : sing of 'thee and 'praise thy 'Name.
- 4 O come hither and behold the 'works of 'God: how wonderful he is in his doing 'toward the 'children of 'men.
- 5 He turned the sea into 'dry 'land : so that they went through the water on foot, there did 'we re'joice there'of.
- 6 He ruleth with his power for ever, his eyes be'hold the 'people : and such as will not believe, shall not be 'able to ex'alt them'selves.
- 7 O praise our 'God ye 'people : and make the 'voice of his 'praise to be 'heard :
- 8 Who holdeth our 'soul in 'life : and suffereth 'not our 'feet to 'slip.

Glory be to the Father, and 'to the 'Son : and 'to the 'Holy 'Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and 'ever' shall be : world without 'end.' A'men.

THE FIRST LESSON (read by Chuhan Deng)

The first lesson is written in the second chapter of the Book of Joel, beginning at the twenty-first verse

Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things. Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength. Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month. And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpiller, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you. And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.

Here endeth the first lesson.

THE BENEDICITE



- 1 O ALL ye Works of the Lord'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and 'magnify'him for'ever.
- 2 O ye Angels of the Lord' bless ye the 'Lord: praise him and 'magnify 'him for' ever.
- 3 O ye Heavens' bless ye the' Lord: praise him and magnify' him for 'ever.
- 4 O ye Waters that be above the Firmament' bless ye the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify' him for 'ever.
- 5 O all ye Powers of the Lord'bless ye the Lord: praise him and 'magnify'him for'ever.
- 6 O ye Sun and Moon'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.
- 7 O ye Stars of Heaven' bless ye the' Lord: praise him and' magnify 'him for' ever.
- 8 O ye Showers and Dew'bless ye the'Lord : praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.
- 9 O ye Winds of God'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.
- 10 O ye Fire and Heat'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and'magnify 'him tor'ever.
- 11 O ye Winter and Summer'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.
- 12 O ye Dews and Frosts'bless ye the'Lord : praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.
- 13 O ye Frost and Cold'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.

- 14 O ye Ice and Snow'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.
- 15 O ye Nights and Days' bless ye the' Lord : praise him and 'magnify 'him for' ever.
- 16 O ye Light and Darkness' bless ye the 'Lord: praise him and 'magnify' him for 'ever.
- 17 O ye Lightnings and Clouds' bless ye the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify' him for 'ever.
- 18 O let the Earth' bless the 'Lord : yea let it praise him and 'magnify 'him for 'ever.
- 19 O ye Mountains and Hills' bless ye the 'Lord: praise him and 'magnify 'him for' ever.
- 20 O all ye Green Things upon the Earth' bless ye the 'Lord: praise him and 'magnify' him for 'ever.
- 21 O ye Wells 'bless ye the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify 'him for 'ever.
- 22 O ye Seas and Floods' bless ye the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify 'him for 'ever.
- 23 O ye Whales and all that move in the Waters' bless ye the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify' him for 'ever.
- 24 O all ye Fowls of the Air'bless ye the' Lord: praise him and' magnify 'him for'ever.
- 25 O all ye Beasts and Cattle' bless ye the 'Lord: praise him and 'magnify 'him for' ever.
- 26 O ye Children of Men'bless ye the'Lord: praise him and'magnify 'him for'ever.
- 27 O let Israel'bless the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify' him for 'ever.
- 28 O ye Priests of the Lord'bless ye the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify 'him for' ever.
- 29 O ye Servants of the Lord 'bless ye the 'Lord : praise him and 'magnify 'him for 'ever.
- 30 O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous' bless ye the 'Lord: praise him and 'magnify' him for 'ever.
- 31 O ye holy and humble Men of heart' bless ye the 'Lord: praise him and 'magnify' him for' ever.
- 32 O Ananias Azarias and Misael ' bless ye the ' Lord : praise him and 'magnify' him for ' ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. A'men.

THE SECOND LESSON (read by Glenda Teasdale)

The second lesson is written in the seventh chapter of the Gospel according to St Matthew, beginning at the seventh verse.

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him? Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

Here endeth the second lesson.

¶ Please stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

believe in God

Ithe Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Let us pray

THE PRAYERS

ORD, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

Othis day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Bless, we beseech thee, the labours of thy people, and cause the earth to bring forth her fruits abundantly in their season, that we may with grateful hearts give thanks to thee for the same; through Jesus Christ Our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. **Amen**.

GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of thy people; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. We remember especially the people of India and Brazil amongst all who face the tribulations of pandemic, praying for all who are in ways afflicted and all who work to bring relief and healing.

We pray for the good estate of thy Holy Church: that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.

We commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body or estate; remembering especially Vivienne Lake, *Priest*, Dianne Fraser, Mary Lester and Greg Paris, that it may please Thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of their afflictions.

And finally we pray for Anne Harcombe, Valerie Quarterman and Wendy Paris, whose lives are drawing to a close, that they may journey through the shadow of death, fearing no evil, and that thy rod and staff may comfort them. And we remember also Elsie Ann Hedley, recently departed of this life. May she and all who face death come to dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

All this we beg, in the name of Our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ Please sit

ADDRESS Fr Stephen

¶ Please stand

THE OFFERTORY PROPER

WILL give great thanks unto the Lord with my mouth: and praise him among the multitude. For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor, to save his soul from unrighteous judges, alleluia.

Offertory Hymn NEH 267 The spacious firmament on high



THE spacious firmament on high, With all the blue ethereal sky, And spangled heavens, a shining frame, Their great Original proclaim. The unwearied sun from day to day Does his Creator's power display And publishes to every land The works of an almighty hand.

- 2 Soon as the evening shades prevail The moon takes up the wondrous tale, And nightly to the listening earth Repeats the story of her birth; Whilst all the stars that round her burn, And all the planets in their turn, Confirm the tidings, as they roll, And spread the truth from pole to pole.
- Mhat though in solemn silence all Move round the dark terrestrial ball; What though nor real voice nor sound Amid their radiant orbs be found; In reason's ear they all rejoice, And utter forth a glorious voice; For ever singing as they shine, 'The hand that made us is divine.'

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

LMIGHTY God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; + pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Please stand

THE SURSUM CORDA

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing:

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS (sung by the choir to the setting by Charles Wood, in the Phrygian mode)

OLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen. + Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

¶ Pleasekneel or sit

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that by the power of the Holy Spirit, we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed + Body and Blood: Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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.* Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: *Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.* Amen.

THE COMMUNION PROPER

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and ye shall find: knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh, receiveth, and he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened, alleluia,

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, and the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Tim Brown A Prayer for Rogationtide

LORD of all springtime seed And the fields we plough and sow, Give us your grace to share The fruit of crops we grow. Plant compassion in our hearts; Grant wisdom, so that we May daily seek to share our food With those who only hunger know.

COMMUNION HYMN NEH 276 Bread of Heaven



BREAD of heaven, on thee we feed, For thy flesh is meat indeed; Ever may our souls be fed With this true and living bread, Day by day with strength supplied Through the life of him who died. Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies This blest cup of sacrifice; 'Tis thy wounds our healing give; To thy cross we look and live: Thou our life! O let us be Rooted, grafted, built on thee.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that 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 PRAYER OF OBLATION

Oaccept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this Holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen**.

THE BLESSING

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

¶ Please stand



Bluebells in Barton

RECESSIONAL HYMN NEH 262 We plough the fields and scatter



WE plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain:
All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all his love.



2 He only is the Maker Of all things near and far, He paints the wayside flower, He lights the evening star. The winds and waves obey him, By him the birds are fed; Much more to us, his children, He gives our daily bread:

We thank thee then, O Father,
For all things bright and good;
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
No gifts have we to offer
For all thy love imparts,
But that which thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts:

Closing organ voluntary G Eldridge Processional March

Music for personal reflection

JS Bach Cantata Wahrlich, wahrlich, ich sage euch BWV 86
Cantata for Rogation Sunday
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O6-PDe9wPLg

Eric William Ravilious (1903–42) was a British painter, designer, book illustrator and wood-engraver. He grew up in East Sussex and is particularly known for his watercolours of the South Downs and other English landscapes, which examine English landscape and vernacular art with an off-kilter, modernist sensibility and clarity. He served as a war artist, and died when the aircraft he was in was lost off 'Iceland.



Eric Ravilious The Greenhouse: Cyclamen and Tomatoes (1935); watercolour, Tate Modern

Art controls Time and can freeze the moment as was the case with Ravilious, renowned for his watercolours of English landscapes. He captured the wonder of nature, its rebirth, its goodness and beauty. His power came from his restraint; the deeper meanings lay beneath the surface. Wordsworth wrote '... the human mind is capable of being excited without the application of gross and violent stimulants; and he must have a very faint perception of its beauty and dignity who does not know this.' Ravilious' subjects and compositions captured this sentiment.



Eric Ravilious (1933). Two Women in a Garden; watercolour and pencil on paper, The Fry Art Gallery, Saffron Walden.

¹ William Wordsworth Lyrical Ballads With Other Poems (1800; vol. 1)