

# FESTAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF ST BOTOLPH

ST BOTOLPH'S CHURCH

17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021

The service is sung by members of the Chapel Choir of Queens' College, Cambridge, conducted by Ralph Allwood. The organ is played by Robin Pillinger, Aliko Vatikoti Organ Scholar.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### INTROIT

*Oculi omnium in te sperant Domine: et tu das illis escam in tempore opportuno.*

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season.

*Psalm 145: 15*

*Charles Wood (1866-1926)*

**Glory and honour, love and adoration,  
Be in the highest unto thee who reignest  
Threefold in splendour, source of life eternal,  
Blessed for ever. Amen.**

*NEH 220*

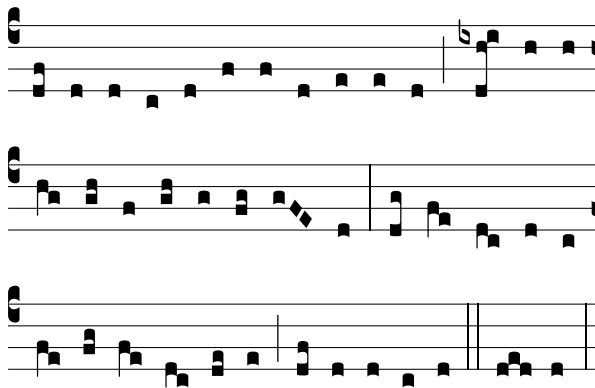
*Iste Confessor*

### THE INVITATION TO CONFESSION

### THE WELCOME

Father Stephen Anderson  
*Rector of St Botolph's Church*

### HYMN



A- men.

**He who bore witness by a good confession,  
He whom thy people join this day to honour,  
Now in the heavenly mansions of the blessed  
Liveth for ever.**

**Many the gifts with which thou didst endow him,  
Many the virtues which adorned his spirit,  
Through all the years while in this mortal body  
Daily he served thee.**

**Wherefore together, giving thee the glory,  
Sing we his praises on this holy feast-day,  
Praying for grace to follow in his footsteps  
Now and hereafter.**

### THE CONFESSION

**Almighty and most merciful Father, We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

### THE ABSOLUTION

### THE PRECES

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.

*Bernard Rose (1916-96)*

PSALM 89: 1-19

My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord : with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy truth from one generation to another.

For I have said, 'Mercy shall be set up for ever : thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

'I have made a covenant with my chosen : I have sworn unto David my servant;

'Thy seed will I stablish for ever : and set up thy throne from one generation to another.'

O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works : and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

For who is he among the clouds : that shall be compared unto the Lord?

And what is he among the gods : that shall be like unto the Lord?

God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints : and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee : thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

Thou rulest the raging of the sea : thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.

Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it : thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine : thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

Thou hast made the north and the south : Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.

Thou hast a mighty arm : strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat : mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

Blessèd is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee : they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

Their delight shall be daily in thy Name : and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

For thou art the glory of their strength : and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

For the Lord is our defence : the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Glory be to th 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.

*G J Elvey (1816-93)*

THE FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 8: 1-11

*George Owers*

MAGNIFICAT

My soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, 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. Amen.

*Luke 1: 46-55*

*Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

THE SECOND LESSON

John 10: 1-10

*Elisabeth Marksteiner*

NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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.

*Luke 2: 29-32*

*Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the 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.**

#### THE RESPONSES

The Lord be with you;  
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.  
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.  
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.  
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

O God, the guide and governor of all kingdoms, who dost grant thy servants to celebrate the yearly Festival of thy confessor and abbot, Botolph; efface, we pray thee, the scars of our wounds, and heal us with the heavenly and eternal gifts of our true Fatherland; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Bernard Rose (1916-1996)*

#### ANTHEM

*Tantum ergo sacramentum veneremur cernui, et antiquum documentum novo cedat ritui; praestet fides supplementum sensuum defectui.*

*Genitori Genitoque laus et iubilatio, salus, honor, virtus quoque sit et benedictio; procedenti ab utroque compar sit laudatio. Amen.*

Therefore so great a Sacrament let us fall down and worship, and let the old law give way to a new rite,

and let faith stand forward to make good the defects of sense.

To the Father and the Son be praise and joy, health, honour and virtue and blessing, and to him proceeding from both be equal praise. Amen.

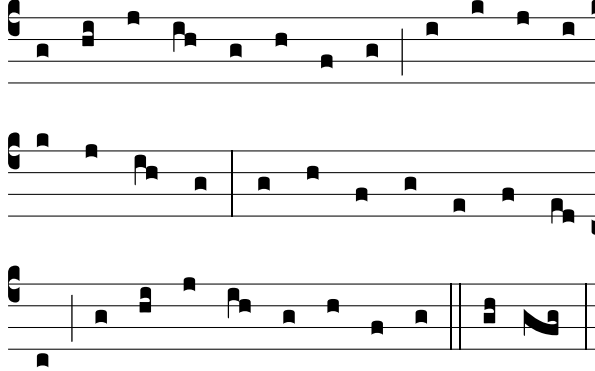
*Pange lingua: 5-6*  
*Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)*

#### THE INTERCESSIONS

#### THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Dr Jessica Martin  
*Canon Residentiary of Ely Cathedral*

#### HYMN



Amen.

O Jesu, Saviour of mankind,  
In whom the saints their glory find,  
On this commemoration day  
Hear thou thy people as they pray.

Contending for thy holy name,  
Thy servants won their saintly fame,  
Which Christian hearts with praise recall,  
And bless the Lord and God of all.

Earth's fleeting pleasures counting nought,  
For higher, truer joys they sought,  
And now, with angels round thy throne,  
Unfading glories are their own.

O grant that we, most gracious God,  
May follow in the steps they trod,  
And freed from every bond of sin,  
As they have won, may also win.

To thee, O Christ, most loving King,  
All glory, praise and thanks we bring,  
Whom with the Father we adore,  
And Holy Spirit evermore. Amen.

*NEH 223*  
*Jesu Redemptor Omnium*

#### THE BLESSING

#### MUSIC AFTER THE SERVICE

Allegro assai vivace *from* Sonata No 1 in F minor  
*Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy (1809-1847)*