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Jacopo Bassano c1550. *Lazarus and the Rich Man*. Oil on canvas. Cleveland Museum of Art

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY **Mattins *with* Holy Communion**

Celebrant & Preacher
Fr Stephen

6th June 2021 at 11.00am

Music before the service
D. Buxtehude *Nun bitten wir den heil'gen Geist*, BuxWV 208

¶ *Please stand*

WELCOME – Fr Stephen

THE INTROIT

O Lord my God, in thy loving kindness and mercy have I trusted; and my heart is joyful in thy salvation: I will sing unto the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Glost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

O Lord my God ...

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.

THE PSALM 44: 1-4

- 1 BLESSED is he that considereth the poor and needy : the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble.
- 2 **The Lord preserve him, and keep him alive, that he may be blessed upon earth : and deliver not thou him into the will of his enemies.**
- 3 The Lord comfort him, when he lieth sick upon his bed : make thou all his bed in his sickness.
- 4 **I said, Lord, be merciful unto me : heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Glost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ *Please sit*

THE FIRST LESSON (read by Ben O'Neill)

The first lesson is written in the fourth chapter of the first letter of St John, beginning at the seventh verse

BELOVED, let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God towards us, because that God sent his only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us; because he hath given us of his Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify, that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgement; because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment: he that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, that he who loveth God love his brother also.

Here endeth the first lesson.

THE JUBILATE DEO

- 1 O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 **Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**
- 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
- 4 **For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Glost.

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

THE SECOND LESSON (read by Richard Widdess)

The second lesson is written in the sixteenth chapter of the Gospel according to St Luke, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

THERE was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died, and was buried: and in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy life-time receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they who would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham; but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

Here endeth the second lesson.

¶ Please stand

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.**

Let us pray

¶ Please kneel or sit

THE PRAYERS

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this 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 God, our heavenly Father, who hast taught us by love to serve one another; Give us eyes of compassion for human suffering and need wherever it is found, and especially for that which lies nearest our own doors; save us from neglect of others; and grant that we may do good works to all, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

O 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 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 pray especially for all those preparing for ordination at this time, that their ministries may be a blessing to the parishes where they will serve.

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, Chris and Janet Nevitt, 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, Moya Flurry, 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 Carol Anne Rourke Weinhold, 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 Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE SERMON

Fr Stephen

¶ Please remain seated

THE OFFERTORY

O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God: for unto thee will I make my prayer.

¶ Please kneel or sit

THE 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.

ALMIGHTY 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 saying:

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

HOLY, 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.**

¶ *Please sit or kneel*

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 AGNUS DEI

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

THE COMMUNION PROPER

I will speak of all thy marvellous works; I will be glad and rejoice in thee: yea, my songs will I make of thy Name, O most Highest.

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

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

OLORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept 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.**

Closing organ voluntary

JS. Bach *Passacaglia in C minor*, BWV 582
Guest organist: Saul Knights

Music for personal reflection

William Byrd *O lux beata Trinitas*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zJuT3cnGuJl>



The Biblical parable of *Lazarus and the Rich Man* depicts the man, Dives, who feasted and celebrated every day, while a beggar named Lazarus sat starving nearby.¹ Dives sits at a table with a courtesan, attended by servants and entertained by musicians. A servant threatens Lazarus with a stick. Dogs came to lick the sores on the poor man's

¹ Luke 16:19-21 KJV. Latin: Dives, rich man.

body. In time, both died and the poor man was welcomed into heaven. The rich man descended to Hades where, in spite of his pleas to Abraham, he was condemned to remain. Riches on earth have to be paid for in eternity while the poor will enjoy their reward in heaven. In the Middle Ages Lazarus became popularly identified with the leper and, although a historical figure, he was canonized and made the patron saint of lepers and beggars.

Jacopo Bassano came from a family of artists. He specialized in a highly original approach in which smoky colored shapes emerge from the darkness of the background. He helped to popularize paintings in which daily life dominated the apparent religious subject.

Martin Luther King said: 'You can't feed every beggar but you can feed the beggar at your own gate'.

An alternative interpretation of the same story, from an illumination in the 11th century *Codex Aureus of Echternach*

Top panel: Lazarus at the rich man's door

Middle panel: Lazarus' soul is carried to Paradise by two angels; Lazarus in Abraham's bosom

Bottom panel: Dives' soul is carried off by Satan to Hell; Dives is tortured in Hades

