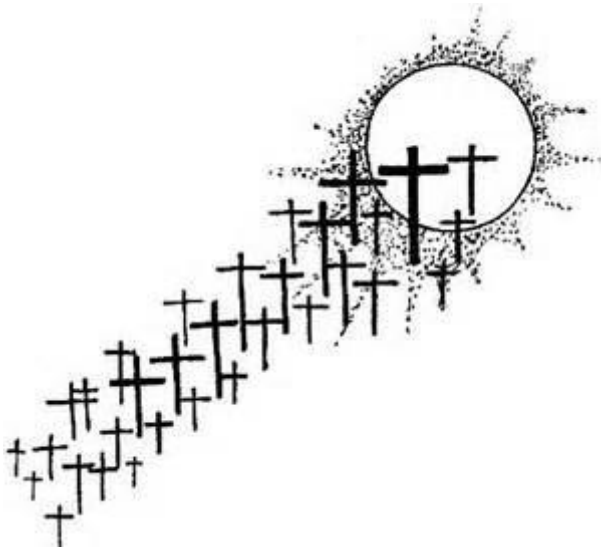


All Saints Festal Evensong



Wednesday 1st November 2023
5.30 pm

Welcome

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral for this Festal Choral Evensong for All Saints Day.

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Ministers Leading the Service

The service is conducted by Canon Nigel Ashworth,
Canon Pastor and Acting Precentor.

The Commissioning of the Man Dio Growing Faith Team
is conducted by the Bishop of Middleton, The Rt Revd Mark Davies,
who will also give the Address and the Blessing.

Musicians

The Cathedral Choir is directed by Christopher Stokes,
Organist and Master of the Choristers.
The organ is played by Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist.

Large-print copies of this booklet are also available.

Music Before the Service

Fantasia I
Robert White (1538-1574)

Order of Service

Please stand as the Choir and clergy enter.

The Preces

The Choir
William Smith (1603-1645)

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.
Choir **And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

Cantor O God, make speed to save us.
Choir **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
Choir **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.
Choir **The Lord's Name be praised.**

The Very Rev'd Rogers Govender, Dean of Manchester, welcomes the congregation

Please sit

Psalms

sung by the Choir

Psalm 7 *Domine Deus meus* *Robert Cooke*

O LORD my God, in thee have I put my trust:
save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me;

Lest he devour my soul, like a lion, and tear it in pieces:
while there is none to help.

O Lord my God, if I have done any such thing:
or if there be any wickedness in my hands;

If I have rewarded evil unto him that dealt friendly with me:
yea, I have delivered him that without any cause is mine enemy,

Then let mine enemy persecute my soul, and take me: yea, let
him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine honour in
the dust.

Stand up, O Lord, in thy wrath, and lift up thyself, because of the indignation of mine enemies:
arise up for me in the judgement that thou hast commanded.

And so shall the congregation of the people come about thee:
for their sakes therefore lift up thyself again.

The Lord shall judge the people; give sentence with me, O Lord: according to my righteousness, and according to the innocency that is in me.

O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end:
but guide thou the just.

For the righteous God: trieth the very hearts and reins.

My help cometh of God:
who preserveth them that are true of heart.

God is a righteous Judge, strong and patient:
and God is provoked every day.

If a man will not turn, he will whet his sword:
he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.

He hath prepared for him the instruments of death:
he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.

Behold, he travaileth with mischief:
he hath conceived sorrow, and brought forth ungodliness.

He hath graven and digged up a pit: and is fallen on himself into the destruction that he made for other.

For his travail shall come upon his own head:
and his wickedness shall fall on his own pate.

I will give thanks unto the Lord, according to his righteousness:
and I will praise the Name of the Lord most High.

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.

O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world: thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!

Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers: the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.

What is man, that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory and worship.

Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands: and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

All sheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field;

The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea: and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

O Lord our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

Please stand

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.

Please sit

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 65.17-25

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah:

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

At the end the reader says

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand

Magnificat

The Choir

Service in A, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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

Please sit

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 11.32-12.2

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews:

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

At the end the reader says

Here ends the Lesson.

Please stand

Nunc Dimittis

The Choir

Service in A, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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

Remain standing, facing East

The Apostles' Creed

All **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.**

Lesser Litany, the Lord's Prayer and the Collects

The Choir
William Smith

Cantor The Lord be with you,
Choir **and with thy spirit.**
Cantor Let us pray.

Please sit or kneel

Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.
Choir **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir **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.**

The Responses

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

Cantor O Lord, save the King.
Choir **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**
Cantor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
Choir **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Cantor O Lord, save thy people.
Choir **And bless thine inheritance.**

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

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

The Collects

Cantor O Almighty God,
who hast knit together thine elect
in one communion and fellowship,
in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord:
Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints
in all virtuous and godly living,
that we may come to those unspeakable joys,
which thou hast prepared for them
that unfeignedly love thee;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Choir **Amen.**

Cantor 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.

Choir **Amen.**

Cantor 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.

Choir **Amen.**

Please remain seated

Anthem

The Choir

O quam gloriosum est regnum,
in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti!
Amicti stolis albis,
sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.
*O how glorious is the kingdom
in which all the saints rejoice with Christ,
clad in robes of white
they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.*

Prayers of Intercession

- Minister United in the company of all the faithful
and looking for the coming of the kingdom,
let us offer our prayers to God,
the source of all life and holiness:
- Merciful Lord,
strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit,
that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation
to the praise of Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Lord, in your mercy,
- All **hear our prayer.**
- Minister Bless David, Mark and Matthew our bishops
and all ministers of your Church,
that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built
on the foundation of the apostles and prophets
into a holy temple in the Lord.
Lord, in your mercy,
- All **hear our prayer.**
- Minister Give to the world and its peoples
the peace that comes from above,
that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life.
Lord, in your mercy,
- All **hear our prayer.**
- Minister Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love
in the service of the poor and needy;
all who minister to the sick and dying;
and all who bring light to those in darkness.
Lord, in your mercy
- All **hear our prayer.**
- Minister Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred by sin
or disfigured by pain,
that, raised from death to life in Christ,
their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy.
Lord, in your mercy,
- All **hear our prayer.**

Minister Remember in your mercy all those gone before us
who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity;
preserve in your faith your servants on earth,
guide us to your kingdom
and grant us your peace at all times.

All Lord in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Minister Hasten the day when many will come
from east and west, from north and south,
and sit at the table in your kingdom.
Lord in your mercy,

All **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude with the Grace

All **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.
Amen.**

*During the hymn members of the congregation follow the clergy to the North Nave Aisle
where the Icons are situated*

Hymn

Who are these like stars appearing,
these before God's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing;
who are all this glorious band?
Alleluia! Hark, they sing,
praising loud their heavenly King.

Who are these of dazzling brightness,
these in God's own truth arrayed,
clad in robes of purest whiteness,
robes whose lustre ne'er shall fade,
ne'er be touched by time's rude hand?
Whence come all this glorious band?

These are they who have contended
for their Saviour's honour long,
wrestling on 'til life was ended,
following not the sinful throng;
these, who well the fight sustained,
triumph through the Lamb have gained.

These, like priests, have watched and waited,
offering up to Christ their will;
soul and body consecrated,
day and night to serve him still:
Now in God's most holy place
blest they stand before his face.

*Melody from 'Geistreiches Gesangbuch' 1698
adapted by W H Monk (1823-1889)*

*German, H T Schenck (1656-1727)
tr Frances Cox (1812-1897)*

Acclamation

All Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised:
there is no end of his greatness.

All One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.

All All your works praise you, Lord,
and your faithful servants bless you.

All They make known the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power.

All My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:
let everything bless his holy name for ever and ever.

Anthem

sung by the Choir

During the anthem the Icons are censed

Holy is the True Light, and passing wonderful,
lending radiance to them that endured
in the heat of the conflict.

From Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendour,
wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.

Alleluia!

William Harris (1883-1973)

G H Palmer, Salisbury Diurnal

The Dismissal Gospel

John 17.6-9

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.

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

Jesus said, 'I have made your name known to those you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours.'

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Blessing

Dean God give you grace
to follow his saints
in faith and hope and love;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Music after the service

Placare, Christe, servulis, Op 38 No 16

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

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readings and prayers, and as a reminder of your visit.*

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