



Welcome to St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

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All Saints & All Souls Sunday

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Processional Hymn 197

For all the saints who from their labours
rest

Offertory Hymn 353

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Communion Anthem

“Let all the world in every corner sing,” –
Ralph Vaughan Williams

Post Communion Hymn 478

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Voluntary

Processional – William Matthias

***Organ played today by
Neil Stevenson***

The Collect

Let us pray

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect in
one communion and fellowship in the
mystical body of your Son Christ our
Lord: grant us grace so to follow your
blessed saints in all virtuous and godly
living that we may come to those
inexpressible joys that you have
prepared for those who truly love
you; 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 anthem this morning celebrates glorious words to God by George Herbert (1593-1633) and set to music by the English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams, who was born just 150 years ago this month. “Let all the world in every corner sing” is the last of RVW’s “Five Mystical Songs”. Next week’s anthem will be the fourth of these songs, a solo, “The Call”, also set to words by George Herbert. Our first hymn is also set to music by RVW.

**Please join us for the All Souls’ Day Service this evening,
October 30th at 6pm.**

Revd Gill is presiding at St Clement with St Peter today

First Reading, a reading from Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: 'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149 – My mouth O God shall speak of wisdom

Second Reading, a reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians 1:11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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Thanks be to God.

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 6:20-31

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Notices

Covid measures at St John's – face coverings are recommended and hand sanitiser is available for you to use. We are still trying to maintain some social distancing to protect those most vulnerable in our community. Thank you for helping us in this endeavour.

Collections at 10.00am Mass – we will be taking the collection during the offertory hymn from Sunday 6 November. We will also trial using the card readers for donations during the service. You will still be able to make your donation at the beginning or end of the service if you wish.

Black History Month – Thank you to all those who took part and led our events.

Messy Church – The next service is on Sunday 13 November at 3.45pm, please do join us. You can let Julie or Gemma know that you plan to attend. Flyers with future dates are at the back of church. If you would like to help at a future event please contact Julie Whitney, Revd. Gill or Revd. Gemma.

Trip to see SIX the Musical, Sunday 6 November 2022 – Please find letter at the back of church. Last few places remaining.

Future Musical events – Choral Evensong Sunday 27 November at 6pm (flyers at the back of church).

Goose Green Coffee Morning – Held on Wednesday mornings 11am to 12.30pm. 'On 9 November we have our next session of The Singing Geese, our fun choir for anyone and everyone to enjoy singing, even if you think you can't sing!' If you would like to help at coffee morning on a regular or ad hoc basis, please speak to or email Sue O'Neill (sue.oneill0826@gmail.com), Christine Camplin (christine.bannan@virgin.net) or Jane Hawkins. If you would like to be added to the Coffee Morning mailing list or to find out more, please email Sue O'Neill.

Lunch club – No club on Thursday 27 October, resumes on 3 November. Held in the Goose Green Centre on Thursdays (of term time) at 12.30 pm for a two-course meal followed by tea or coffee (cost £5). If you would like to join us or would like further information, please contact Barbara Deller (020 8693 2090) or Martin Howell (020 8249 7411).

St John's Black History Library - Everyone is welcome to borrow books - please make a note of the title borrowed in the book provided on top of the bookshelf.

Foodbank Donations – Your generosity in these challenging financial times is much appreciated and any future donations will go to the Southwark Foodbank. Information on items required can be found at the collection points in church and the centre. We also have details of the local options & schemes to support those in our community.



A gift to St John's - If you are in church, please use the envelope provided and leave it in the bowl at the back of church. Alternatively, you can make a card donation when you leave church or by using this QR code. If you are a taxpayer, you can increase the value of your gift by 25% by completing a *Gift Aid* declaration. Please visit our website www.stjohnseastdulwich.org/donating-to-st-johns/ for further information. Thank you for your generosity.



St John's will be participating in the **Robes** project again this year after a 2-year break due to the pandemic. We will host 15 guests on Saturday nights between 7th January and 25th March 2023. Please do consider volunteering to support this project. If you have not volunteered before you can find more information at the back of church, on the Robes project website: <https://robes.org.uk/> or talk to Julie Whitney. There are many ways in which you can support the project ranging from preparing a meal or doing the laundry to greeting, serving meals and staying overnight. You can get involved as little or as much as you feel comfortable. If you would like to volunteer, please go to the St John's Robes hub: <https://sites.google.com/view/st-johnsed-robes/home> and select the appropriate application form. There are also paper application forms at the back of church. You will be able to indicate the way in which you would like to volunteer as well as your availability. We request that you attend ONE information session before volunteering. Please indicate which session you plan to attend in your application form. They will be held on Saturday 26th November 2-3pm and Sunday 4th December 11:30am-12:30pm.