



# Welcome to St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

## 6 November 2022 3rd Sunday before Advent

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### **Processional Hymn 338**

At the name of Jesus

### **Offertory Hymn 498 (omit V4)**

Son of God, eternal Saviour

### **Communion Anthem**

“The Call (Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life)” – Ralph Vaughan Williams

### **Post Communion Hymn 413**

Now thank we all our God

### **Voluntary**

“Fantasia in C Minor” – J S Bach

***Organ played today by  
Niall Baxter***

### **The Collect**

Let us pray

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

Today's anthem is the fourth in our series of Ralph Vaughan Williams songs, a solo, “The Call”, also set to words by George Herbert.

**Today we welcome Lucy Jardine for Baptism at 12pm.**

**The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of 50 years at St John's by Keith Watson**

**Revd Rosemary Shaw is presiding at St Clement with St Peter today**

## **First Reading, a reading from Job 19:23-27a**

○ that my words were written down! ○ that they were inscribed in a book!  
○ that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever!  
For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;  
and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,  
whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 17 – Show me O Lord your loving kindness**

### **Second Reading, a reading from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians 2:1–5, 13–17**

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (20.27–38)**

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus, and asked him a question, Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.' Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong

to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

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 this 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.

**Special Collection Sunday on 20 November.** We shall be raising money to support the work of The Alzheimer's Society. On the day you will be able to make a donation in a charity envelope, by card electronically or via our JustGiving page at any time: [www.justgiving.com/page/anne-coates-1667230134132](http://www.justgiving.com/page/anne-coates-1667230134132)

For further information contact Rachel Mills or Anne Coates via the office email.

**Save the Date! – Carols by the Green**, Saturday 17 December 11am-1pm. Come along to sing your favourite carol, enjoy a mince pie and glass of mulled wine. Helpers will be needed – Set up Friday 16 Dec from 2pm or Sat 17 from 9am. Tidy away after the event, stewarding and welcoming visitors as well as helping on the stalls. Add your name to the sign-up sheets or email [office@stjohnseastdulwich.org](mailto:office@stjohnseastdulwich.org)

**The Strong and Steady Exercise Group:** A new exercise group is starting up as part of the Goose Green Coffee Morning programme of activities. The Strong and Steady Exercise Group is for older people who are starting to experience unsteadiness or losing confidence in their ability to stay balanced. The class takes you through a set of exercises that research has shown improves muscle strength and balance. The group lasts 1 hour each week (10-11am) and there will be up to 12 regular group members in attendance. A GP assessment is required plus an assessment by the instructor before you can join the group. There will be a weekly charge of £4. If you are interested or would like more information please speak to Sue O'Neill or Jane Hawkins, or you can email [goosegreencoffeemorning@gmail.com](mailto:goosegreencoffeemorning@gmail.com)

**Goose Green Coffee Morning** – Held on Wednesday mornings 11am to 12.30pm. This Wednesday 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** – Held in the Goose Green Centre on Thursdays (of term time) at 12.30 pm. Do join us 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).

**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.

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

**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.



**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/](http://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. We will host 15 guests on Saturday nights between 7<sup>th</sup> January and 25<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> November 2-3pm and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December 11:30am-12:30pm.