



Parish Eucharist

for the Sunday before Lent

Welcome to the Right Reverend Dr Martin
Gainsborough,
Bishop of Kingston

15th February 2026
10am



ST MARGARET'S
PUTNEY

Welcome to St Margaret's. The church operates a hearing loop system. Please turn your hearing aid to the "T" position.

Please take a moment before our service begins to pray.

Introit

To thee O Lord - S. Rachmaninov
(Text Psalm 25, vs.1)

Let us love, not in word or speech,
but in truth and action.

Please stand to sing the
hymn.

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
triumph o'er the shades of night.
Dayspring from on high, be near.
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee.
Joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till thy inward light impart,
glad my eyes and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom of sin and grief.
Fill me, radiancy divine,
scatter all my unbelief.
More and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

RATISBON
Charles Wesley 1707-88

Melody J G Werner's Choralbuch Leipzig 1815,
Harmony W H Havergal 1793-1870

Prayers of Penitence

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed: through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Please stand to sing the Gloria.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty
God and Father,
we worship You,
we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.
Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of
the Father: receive our prayer.
Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

For You alone are the Holy One, You
alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the
glory of God, the Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son
was revealed in majesty before
he suffered death upon the
cross: give us grace to perceive

his glory, that we may be
strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his
likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please be seated.

*The children go out to Sunday
School.*

Exodus 24:12-end

A reading from the book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight

of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The reader concludes:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated for the psalm.

Psalm 99

The Lord our God is holy.

Refrain: The Lord our God is holy.

The Lord is king: let the peoples tremble; he is enthroned above the cherubim: let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion and high above all peoples.

Let them praise your name, which is great and awesome;

the Lord our God is holy.

Refrain

*Mighty king, who loves justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.*

Exalt the Lord our God; bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.

Refrain

Moses and Aaron among his priests and Samuel among those who call upon his name; they called upon the Lord and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the law that he gave them.

Refrain

You answered them, O Lord our God; you were a God who forgave them and pardoned them for their offences.

Exalt the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill, for the Lord our God is holy.

Refrain

2 Peter 1:16-end

A reading from the second letter of Peter.

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy

ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The reader concludes:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel chant:

Matthew 17:1-9

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

The congregation sings:

All Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves.

And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the

disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to You, O Christ.

*The Gospel will be followed by a
voluntary.*

The sermon

The Right Reverend Dr Martin
Gainsborough

Please be seated

The Creed

Please stand for the creed.

Let us declare our faith in God:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,

Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified; who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Please be seated.

Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

The response is:

Lord, in your mercy,

All **hear our prayer.**

The intercessions conclude:

Merciful Father,

All **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

The congregation stands.

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign
of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

*During the hymn the table is
prepared and bread and wine are
placed upon it.*

The offering is taken up.

Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine
and visit it
with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear
and kindle it,
thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn
till earthly passions turn
to dust and
ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight
and clothe me round,
the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be
and lowliness
become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part

and o'er its own shortcomings
weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass
the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit
makes his dwelling.

DOWN AMPNEY

Bianco da Siena d 1434 Trans R F Littledale

R Vaughan Williams 1872-1958

1833-90

The Collection

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Prayer over the Gifts

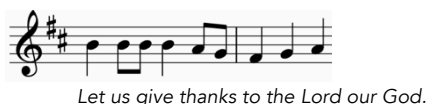
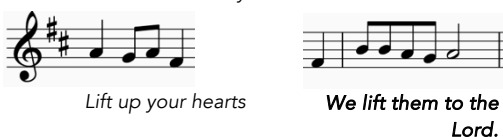
God of all goodness and grace,
receive the gifts we offer; and

grant that our whole life may
give you glory and praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All things come from you,

**All and of your own do we give
you.**

The Eucharistic Prayer



The congregation is seated.

Father, we give you thanks and
praise through your beloved
Son Jesus Christ, your living
Word, through whom you have
created all things, who was sent
by you in your great goodness
to be our Saviour. By the power
of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed
Virgin, he lived on earth and
went about among us; he
opened wide his arms for us on

the cross; he put an end to
death by dying for us; and
revealed the resurrection by
rising to new life; so he fulfilled
your will and won for you a holy
people.

Therefore with angels and
archangels and with all the
company of heaven, we
proclaim your great and
glorious name, forever praising
you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your
glory:
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

D Thorne b. 1962

We praise and bless you, loving
Father, through Jesus Christ,
our Lord; and as we obey his
command, send your Holy
Spirit, that broken bread and
wine outpoured may be for us
the body and blood of your
dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

D Thorne b. 1962

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your

kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary, St Margaret and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Silence is held.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name; your
kingdom come, your will be
done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we
forgive those who sin against
us. Lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from
evil; for the kingdom, the
power and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Fraction

We break this bread to share in
the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are
one body because we all share
in one bread.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world:
grant us peace.

D Thorne b. 1962

Draw near with faith. Receive
the body of our Lord Jesus
Christ which he gave for you
and his blood which he shed for
you. Eat and drink in
remembrance that he died for
you and feed on him in your
hearts by faith with
thanksgiving.

The Communion

- *All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Communion.*
- *The sacrament is distributed from front and back of church. Please follow the sides-persons instructions.*
- *If you would like a blessing please bow your head to indicate this.*

Anthem

Praise the Lord - C. Barratt (Text Psalm 150)

Prayers after Communion

God our creator, by your gift
the tree of life was set at the
heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the
heart of your Church: may we
who have been nourished at
your table on earth be
transformed by the glory of the
Saviour's cross and enjoy the
delights of eternity; through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All Almighty God, we thank you
for feeding us with the body
and blood of your Son Jesus
Christ. Through him we offer
you our souls and bodies to be
a living sacrifice. Send us out
in the power of your Spirit to

live and work to your praise
and glory. Amen.

*The children present their work from
Sunday School.*

The notices are given.

Please stand for our closing hymn.

The Church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord.
She is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heaven he came and sought
her
to be his holy bride,
with his own blood he bought her
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food
and to one hope she presses
with every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest
and the great Church victorious
shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One

and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

AURELIA

Samuel Stone 1839-1900

Samuel S Wesley 1810-1876

The Blessing & Dismissal

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

The peace of God, which
passes 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 Spirit, be among
you and remain with you always.

Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ voluntary

Allegro Molto from Organ Sonata Op. 65, No.

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- F. Mendelssohn

*Please join us for tea and coffee in
the church.*

