**ST HILDA’S ASHFORD**

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**Parish eucharist**

**2022**

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**The Gathering**

**Introit Hymn**

**Judge eternal, throned in splendour,**

**Lord of lords and King of kings,**

**With thy living fire of judgment**

**Purge this realm of bitter things:**

**Solace all its wide dominion**

**With the healing of thy wings.**

**Still the weary folk are pining**

**For the hour that brings release:**

**And the city's crowded clangour**

**Cries aloud for sin to cease;**

**And the homesteads and the woodlands**

**Plead in silence for their peace.**

**Crown, O God, thine own endeavour;**

**Cleave our darkness with thy sword;**

**Feed the faithless and the hungry**

**With the richness of thy word:**

**Cleanse the body of this nation**

**Through the glory of the Lord.**

*[Henry Scott Holland]*

**The Greeting**

In the name of the Father,

and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

***All*  Amen**

The Lord be with you

***All* and also with you.**

*Words of welcome or introduction are said*

**Prayer of Preparation**

***All* Almighty God,**

**to whom all hearts are open,**

**all desires known,**

**and from whom no secrets are hidden:**

**cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**

**by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**

**that we may perfectly love you,**

**and worthily magnify your holy name;**

**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Prayers of Penitence**

God so loved the world

that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ

to save us from our sins

and 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* Most merciful God,**

**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**we confess that we have sinned**

**in thought, word and deed.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**In your mercy**

**forgive what we have been,**

**help us to amend what we are,**

**and direct what we shall be;**

**that we may do justly, love mercy,**

**and walk humbly with you, our God. 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.**

**Gloria in Excelsis** *We say:*

***All* 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.**

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

**The Collect** *- The Collect for the Week is said after a moment of silence*

God, our refuge and strength,

bring near the day when wars shall cease

and poverty and pain shall end,

that earth may know the peace of heaven

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

.***All* Amen.**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Old Testament Reading** – Malachi 4 vv 1 - 2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

***All* Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading –** Luke 21 vv 5 - 19

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

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ‘As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.’

They asked him, ‘Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?’ And he said, ‘Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and, “The time is near!” Do not go after them.

‘When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.’ Then he said to them, ‘Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

‘But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon** – *All sit*

**The Creed** – *All Stand*

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession**

*The prayers end with the following:*

Merciful Father

***All* accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

**THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

**The Peace** – *All stand*

Blessed are the peacemakers:

they shall be called the children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

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,*

*after which a collection will be taken.*

*The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,

the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;

for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All All things come from you,**

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

**Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you

***All*  and also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

***All* We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***All* It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, you made the world and love your creation.

You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.

His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you,

with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

***All* Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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:

***All* Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

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 Hilda 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.

**Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us:

***All*  Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come;**

**thy will be done;**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who 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.**

**Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

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.**

**Agnus Dei**

*We say:*

***All* Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world,**

**have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world,**

**have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world,**

**grant us peace.**

**Giving of Communion**

God’s holy gifts

for God’s holy people.

***All* Jesus Christ is holy,**

**Jesus Christ is Lord,**

**to the glory of God the Father.**

*The president and people receive communion.*

**Communion Hymns**

**O God, our help in ages past,**

**Our hope for years to come,**

**Our shelter from the stormy blast,**

**And our eternal home.**

**Under the shadow of thy throne**

**Thy saints have dwelt secure;**

**Sufficient is thine arm alone,**

**And our defence is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood,**

**Or earth received her frame,**

**From everlasting thou art God,**

**To endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in thy sight**

**Are like an evening gone,**

**Short as the watch that ends the night**

**Before the rising sun.**

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream,**

**Bears all its sons away;**

**They fly, forgotten, as a dream**

**Dies at the opening day.**

**O God, our help in ages past,**

**Our hope for years to come,**

**Be thou our guard while troubles last,**

**And our eternal home.**

*[Isaac Watts]*

**And now, O Father, mindful of the love**

**That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,**

**And having with us him that pleads above,**

**We here present, we here spread forth to thee**

**That only offering perfect in thine eyes,**

**The one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.**

**Look, Father, look on his anointed face,**

**And only look on us as found in him;**

**Look not on our misusings of thy grace,**

**Our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim;**

**For lo, between our sins and their reward**

**We set the passion of thy Son our Lord.**

**And then for those, our dearest and our best,**

**By this prevailing presence we appeal;**

**O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,**

**O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;**

**From tainting mischief keep them white and clear**

**And crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.**

**And so we come: O draw us to thy feet**

**Most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;**

**And by this food, so aweful and so sweet,**

**Deliver us from every touch of ill:**

**In thine own service make us glad and free,**

**And grant us nevermore to part with thee.**

*[William Bright]*

**Prayers after Communion**

*Silence is kept after which the Post-Communion prayer is said.*

God of peace,

whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom

and restored the broken to wholeness of life:

look with compassion on the anguish of the world,

and by your healing power

make whole both people and nations;

through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

***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.**

*Notices.*

**THE DISMISSAL**

**Blessing**

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest;

to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth,

and all humankind, peace and concord;

and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

***All*****Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen**

**National Anthem**

**God save our gracious King,**

**Long live our noble King,**

**God save the King!**

**Send him victorious,**

**Happy and glorious,**

**Long to reign over us:**

**God save the King!**

*[Anon]*

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**SERVICE TIMES**

**Wednesday 16th November 11.00am**

*in the small hall*

**Sunday 20th November 10.00am**

The Sunday service is livestreamed and can be viewed later our Facebook page

**Please remember in your prayers this week:**

**The sick:**

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| Lizio Cassar  Ros Clifton  Joan Davies  Vicky Hall  Melvyn Jansen | Pat Kyle  Pauline Milton  Ray Nation  Roy Stone  Betty Vince | Barbara Warne  Lisa  Nic |

*If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.*

**The Recently Departed:**

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| David Mitchell |  |  |

**Those in our memorial book this week**

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| William J T Heath  Elizabeth A Page  William M Bickerdike  Eddie Bellerby  Matthew R Warne  Elaine Hollister  Chrissie Lawrence  Thomas W Riddett | Royston J Cartwright  Matthew Davey  Geoffrey Ratcliffe  Alfred Thornton  Herbert G S Matthews  Amy Lovejoy  John Wright  Agatha Bell | Peter R Scott  Charles F Scrivener  Lee S Tanner  Alfred L Dale  William H Hunter  Alan D Rogers  Arthur W Allport  Penelope K B Waterton |

**Please pray for our ALMA twin Parish, Holy Cross Murrupula**

**NOTICES**

**The Parish Office is available by phone or email. Visitors by appointment only.**

**Church Opening**

St Hilda’s is open for public worship services.

***Following the teaching of ‘Loving thy Neighbour’ - If you feel unwell, we ask that you do not attend so that we can maintain the health and safety of all who attend the services.***

**PCC Meeting - Tuesday 15th November at 7pm**

**Community Lunch –Wednesday at 12 noon**

Join us for the Community Lunch at midday in the Small Hall

If you are able to come forward and help, even once a month, please do liaise with Bobbie.

**Bible Study – every Wednesday**

Bible Study group meet in Church at 7.30pm. All welcome.

**St. Hilda's Bazaar - Saturday 19th November at 10am**

**St. Hilda's Bring-and-Share Lunch - Sunday 20th November 12:30**

**Feed My Sheep – Tuesday 22nd November– 2.30 - 4pm**

Meeting in Church

The theme will be St. Hilda.

**Ambling through Acts course –Thursday 1st December**

(7:30pm on the first Thursday of each month)

Everyone is very welcome to attend. There will be refreshments at the end. We finish by saying Compline (Night Prayer) together round about 9pm. I hope to see you there. Please bring a bible – ideally the NRSV, but any version will do.

**The Mermaid's Tale**

St. Hilda's Entertainers present their pantomime on:

Fridays **2nd** and **9th December** at 7.45pm

Saturdays **3rd** and **10th December** at 2.30pm and 7.00pm.

Book online via the website: www.sthildasentertainers.com,

or phone 0333 666 3366.

**St. Hilda’s Church Nativity Festival - 10th & 11th December**

**Turkiye and tinsel - Saturday 17th December at 7pm**

(Like curry & carols): Turkish food (not turkey) and carols. 7pm in the Church. £10. Booking will open nearer the time.

**Parish administrator**

Our parish administrator is Laura Goodman; her hours of work are:

Monday: 3-4pm

Tuesday: 3-4pm

Wednesday: 10-11am; 2-3pm

Thursday: 3-4pm

Friday: 3.30-6.30pm

Note that any appointments in person must be booked.

**St Hilda’s News**

Please send items for the Newsletter to[**kmroach45@gmail.com**](mailto:kmroach45@gmail.com)

Note that it makes the Editor's job much easier if you submit an item as a Word document rather than in the body of an e-mail.

**Food Bank Donations**

Please use the wooden chest at the rear of the Church to place any donations for the local food bank, such as tinned and dried goods and toiletries.

**Eco Church Volunteers Needed**

The Church of England is seeking to reach “net zero” carbon by 2030 to meet a target set by the General Synod in 2020 and we at St Hilda’s are looking closely at how we can help in moving towards this and become an Eco church. We are planning to set up a small group to investigate how we can improve our eco credentials and encourage us all on the journey. If you would like to be involved, please speak to Carolyn.

**We need YOU!**

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 5th-14th March 2024**

10 days based in Jerusalem and Galilee

With Father Steve Gayle and Father Joseph Fernandes.

See literature at the back of church for more details.

**Visit to Westminster Abbey – Date TBC**

A parish pilgrimage (but not walking there!) is being arranged to Westminster Abbey, please sign up on the sheet at the rear of the Church or contact the office. A date will be arranged if we have enough interest.

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