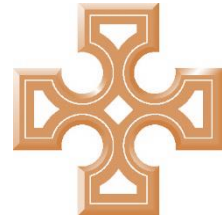




SAINT JOHN'S MALONE



Pantocrator, God the Son, as the Creator of the Universe Toledo Cathedral Spain 13th century

Sunday before Advent. The Kingship of Christ

Welcome to Saint John's especially all who are visiting today.

An audio loop system is in operation for those with hearing aids. The order of service is available to download from the website and the 10.30am is livestreamed on St John's Malone YouTube channel. Those baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity and are communicant members of their own church are welcome to receive Holy Communion, according to conscience.

Today: Sunday 20th November 2022
9.00 a.m. Eucharist in the Side Chapel
10.30 a.m. Family Eucharist & Holy Baptism

The Eucharist ~See service booklet for 10:30am if available or below for page references in the BCP 2004

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Collect

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading **Jeremiah 23: 1-6**

23 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ²Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

5 The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Second Reading **Colossians 1: 11-20**

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled^{*} you^{*} to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.^{*}

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in^{*} him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in^{*} him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading *Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ according to Luke chapter twenty three beginning at verse thirty three. **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ***

Luke 23: 33-43

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus^{*} there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[³⁴Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.']]^{*} And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah^{*} of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸There was also an inscription over him,^{*} 'This is the King of the Jews.'

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding^{*} him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah?^{*} Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴²Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into^{*} your kingdom.' ⁴³He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that plenteously bearing the fruit of good works
they may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The newly baptized are sent out with these words:

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

**Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Services this week

Wednesday 23rd Zoom Compline is at **7:30pm**. Passcodes for Zoom are emailed
in the latest Update to parishioners.

Thursday 24th 10.30am Eucharist with prayer for those in need will take place in
the Side Chapel. The prayer list is in the Side chapel.

A cup of tea/coffee is now available after this service.

Next Sunday: Advent Sunday 27.11.22

9.00 a.m. Eucharist in the Side Chapel

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

6:30p.m. A Service of Lessons &

Music for Advent



Notices:

- Welcome to all our visitors. If you need assistance with anything, please ask one of the Churchwardens.
- Under GDPR guidance we need to tell you that we will be recording the service and/or livestreaming today. The cameras will point towards the nave altar and pulpit and only on occasion, towards the entrance doors. Those coming to and from the side areas and exiting will be in the camera view for a short time.
- **We are collecting for South Belfast Food Bank** again. Please leave your contributions in the vestibule on the way in. Thank you.
- Prayers for the sick and all those in need are offered on Thursday morning at the Eucharist. You can send names for the list to the Rector via his email.

- If you're **new to the parish** please ask the Churchwardens or a member of the clergy about the following: GDPR, Free Will Offering Scheme, Gift Aid Magazine, organisations or wanting to know more about life at St John's. We'd be delighted to help and to get to know you.
- **Coffee/tea** will follow this service as new teams get up and running.
- Parents & Toddlers is meeting again in Seaver Hall Tuesday 10am-11:30am

Organising your wedding in St John's

Weddings are special occasions in the life of any family and of the Church. We'd be delighted to talk to anyone contemplating their wedding in St John's. When considering getting married please check possible dates with the Rector before confirming any other arrangements. It is expected that couples will make a regular commitment to the life of the Church in preparation for marriage.



'BY STREAMS OF WATER': EXPLORING THE PSALMS

Parish study course Tuesdays 7:30pm 1st-29th November On Zoom

This year's Autumn study course in the parish is entitled **'By streams of water': exploring the Psalms.**

The course will be on Zoom: a link to each session will be emailed. Each session will begin at 7:30pm and last for 40 minutes. If you are interested in registering for the course, please email Rev. Brian Crowe at briandcrowe@aol.com.

READINGS:

Jeremiah 23:1-6: A prophecy of judgement on the unrighteous rulers of God's people, and a promise of a new, righteous leader from David's line.

Luke 1:68-79: Zechariah's song proclaiming God's fulfillment of the promise to send a righteous ruler from David's line, and celebrating his son, John, as God's prophet.

OR **Psalms 46**: A celebration of God's protection and shelter, God's presence and awesome works, and a call to silent and humble recognition of who God is.

Colossians 1:11-20: In Christ, who is supreme over all, and the visible image of God, we have been transferred from the realm of darkness into the realm of God's reign.

Luke 23:33-43: While dying on the cross, Jesus assures the penitent thief that he will be with him in paradise that day.

REFLECTIONS ON THEME:

This final week in Year C brings together two central aspects of Christ's life and activity. On the one side there is the proclamation of Christ as the incarnation of God, the supreme ruler over, and creator of, all things. This transcendent vision of Christ (primarily from the Colossians reading) is reflected in the praise of Psalm 46 which proclaims God's awesome works and concludes with the exhortation to "be still and know that I am God". In a similar vein, Both Jeremiah and Zechariah proclaim the Coming One who is God's righteous ruler, in the line of David, who will judge the unrighteous leaders of Israel and replace them with a just reign. The cross narrative from Luke 23, offers the other side of this reigning Messiah. God's reign is most profoundly expressed and revealed through the cross. It is in the self-giving, gracious, life-bringing act of dying that Jesus wins the nations and establishes God's reign in the world. This is radically different Monarchy – and it is one that the world desperately longs for.



If you are considering donating any items to the foodbank then we would really appreciate any of the following...

Tinned meat Tinned potatoes/ Smash Long life juice Tinned soup Toiletries Toilet roll Washing up liquid Washing powder You can either pop the items directly into the basket at Tesco Newtownbreda or donate directly to the foodbank.

We are open for donations every Wednesday 1-3pm and every Thursday 10am-12pm.

Our warehouse is Unit 4, 23 Sunwich Street, Belfast, BT6 8HR

Any questions regarding donating please call us on 07743332489 or email us on info@southbelfast.foodbank.org.uk



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[ITEMS REQUIRED AT PRESENT: Please place in the baskets in the entrance vestibule/porch. Long life juice; Tinned fish; Tinned spaghetti; Tinned fruit; Jars of jam; Tinned rice pudding; Tinned potatoes or Smash; Toiletries – soap, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste etc.](#)

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Please take this booklet home with you for the readings, notices and reference during the week and recycle.