The Parish of St. Andrew, Kingsbury

SUNG MASS on the solemnity of THE EXULTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Year C

Sunday, 14th September 2025, 10.30am

Welcome to Mass today!

Before the Mass: SPEAK TO GOD

During the Mass: LET GOD SPEAK TO YOU

After the Mass: SPEAK TO ONE ANOTHER

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR MOBILE PHONE

A bell is rung and all <u>STAND</u> as the Bishop approaches the altar with the ministers and venerates it as the ENTRANCE HYMN is sung:

tune: Praise my soul (NEH 436)

1.

Praise my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Praise Him!
Praise the everlasting King!

2.

Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise him still the same for ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless. Praise him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Glorious in his faithfulness!

3.

Father-like he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise Him!
Praise Him! Widely as his mercy flows.

4.

Angels help us to adore him; Ye behold him face to face; Sun and moon bow down before him, Dwellers all in time and space. Praise him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise with us the God of grace!

words: Henry Francis Lyte 1793-1847

The Introductory Rites

Sign of the Cross

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Bishop says:

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Greeting

Peace be with you.

And with your Spirit.

The Bishop introduces the Mass and then invites the people to call to mind their sins:

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say: through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

The Collect of the Day

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God

The absolution is given by the Bishop:

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Then is sung:

Kyrie, eléison. Kyrie, eléison. Christe, eléison. Christe, eléison. Kyrie, eléison. Kyrie, eléison.

The Gloria

Then is sung:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

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 Bishop sings:

Let us pray.

A short silence is kept.

O God, who willed that your Only Begotten Son should undergo the Cross to save the human race, grant, we pray, that we, who have known his mystery on earth, may merit the grace of his redemption in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

<u>SIT</u>

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading
Numbers 21:4b-9
'If anyone were bitten by a serpent,
he would look at the bronze serpent and live.'

A reading from the book of Numbers.

In those days: The people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.' Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.' So Moses made a bronze serpent and

set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 78(77):1-2. 34-35. 36-37. 38. R cf.7b*

The choir sings the response and then all repeat:

R/. Never forget the deeds of the Lord!

Give ear, my people, to my teaching; incline your ear to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable and utter hidden lessons of the past. *R/*.

When he slew them, then they sought him, repented and earnestly sought God.

They would remember that God was their rock,

God the Most High their redeemer. *R/.*

Yet they deceived him with their mouths; they lied to him with their tongues. For their hearts were not steadfast towards him; they were not faithful to his covenant. *R/.*

Yet he who is full of compassion forgave them their sin and spared them. So often he held back his anger, and did not stir up all his rage. *R/*.

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

'He humbled himself, therefore God has highly exalted him.'

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human

form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

STAND

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia 1

The Choir sings:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your Cross

you have redeemed the world.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Turn to face the Priest as he sings:

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel John 3:13-17 'The Son of Man must be lifted up.'

At that time: Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then is sung:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Homily

After the introduction, <u>SIT</u>.

At the end of the homily a brief silence is kept for recollection.

The Profession of Faith
The Nicene ("Niceno-Constantinopolitan") Creed

STAND

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, all bow their head:

and by the Holy Spirit

was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I 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 adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayer of the Faithful

The Bishop introduces the prayers.

The response to the prayers is:

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

The following may be included:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

When bidden, the people sing: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary,

Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and the hour of our death. Amen.

The Bishop then concludes the Prayers and all say: **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Offertory

<u>REMAIN STANDING</u> as the OFFERTORY HYMN is sung, during which the gifts of bread and wine are presented to the Bishop and a collection is taken.

A cash collection is taken. Alternatively, a donation can be made via the electronic Giving Station near the main door or by scanning this QR code with your smartphone's camera.



tune: Diademata (NEH 352)

1.

Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

2.

Crown him the Virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic Rose,
As of that Rose the Stem;
The Root whence mercy ever flows,
the Babe of Bethlehem.

3.

Crown him the Lord of love! Behold his hands and side, Rich wounds yet visible above In beauty glorified: No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

4

Crown him the Lord of peace
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his piercèd feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

5.

Crown him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime:
Glassed in a sea of light,
Where everlasting waves
Reflect his throne – the Infinate!
Who lives – and loves – and saves.

words: Matthew Bridges 1800-94

REMAIN STANDING as the Bishop turns to say:

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

The Bishop sings:

May this oblation, O Lord, which on the altar of the Cross cancelled the offence of the whole world, cleanse us, we pray, of all our sins. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Bishop sings:

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

The Bishop continues with the Preface, praising God, and then all sing:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.

The Bishop continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

At the elevation of the Host and the Chalice, the people acclaim: **My Lord and my God.**

After the words of Consecration, the Bishop sings:

The mystery of faith:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer the people sing: **Amen.**

The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

The Bishop sings:

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to pray:

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.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Bishop says:

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And with your spirit.**

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Please share the peace by simply turning to your neighbours and waving a greeting.

Breaking of the Bread

Then is sung:

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.

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb. Lord, I am not worthy that you should

enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The Bishop receives communion and then says:

Communion Antiphon

John 12:32

When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord.

A bell is rung and the people receive communion at the direction of the Stewards.

Communion will be offered in both kinds kneeling at the Altar rail.

Inform the Bishop if you require a gluten free wafer.

The Chalice is available for those who wish to receive from it.

People who have been baptised in the name of the Trinity and usually receive Holy Communion in the own Church are welcome to do so today.

If you are not making your communion please come to the Bishop, carrying this service booklet, and bow your head for a blessing.

Please return to your seats through the left or right chapels.

During Communion, the Choir sings an anthem and then the COMMUNION HYMNS are sung:

tune: Love Unknown (NEH 86)

1.

My song is love unknown,
My Saviour's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown,
That they might lovely be.
O who am I,
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh, and die?

2.

He came from his blest throne,
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend,
My Friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!

3.

Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!'
Is all their breath,
And for his death
They thirst and cry.

4

Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
Themselves displease,
And 'gainst him rise.

5.

They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful he To suffering goes, That he his foes From thence might free.

6.

In life, no house, no home My Lord on earth might have; In death, no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heav'n was his home; But mine the tomb Wherein he lay.

7.

Here might I stay and sing.
No story so divine;
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend.

words: Samuel Crossman 1624-83

Silence is then kept for reflection.

Prayer after Communion

The Bishop sings:

Let us pray.

STAND

Having been nourished by your holy banquet, we beseech you, Lord Jesus Christ, to bring those you have redeemed by the wood of your life-giving Cross to the glory of the resurrection. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Concluding Rites

SIT for the notices.

<u>STAND</u> as the Bishop and minsters process to the South Aisle, all turn to face them.

Blessing of the Rood Crucifix

Those presenting the Crucifix for blessing and dedication say:

Bishop Norman, we present this crucifix to St. Andrew's and ask you to bless and dedicate it for public veneration.

The Bishop says:

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

cf. Galatians 6: 14

Our help is in the name of the Lord. Who made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord. **Now and fore ever. Amen.**

Holy Father, almighty and eternal God, we pray that you bless A this remembrance of your cross and passion, that through it the human race may once more be given wholeness, strength of faith, abundance of good works, an salvation of souls; May it be a solace and a protection and a defence against the wicked assaults of the enemy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Most High glorious God, enlighten the darkness of my heart. Give me right faith, sure hope and perfect charity. Fill me with understanding and knowledge that I may fulfill your command.

St. Francis of Assisi

The Bishop sprinkles the Crucifix with Holy Water and then censes, as the people sing:

tune: Rockingham (NEH 95)

1.

When I survey the wondrous Cross, On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

2.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his Blood. 3.

See from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4

His dying crimson like a robe, Spreads o'er his body on the Tree; Then am I dead to all the globe, And all the globe is dead to me.

5.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

words: Isaac Watts 1674-1748

Blessing

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

May almighty God bless you, ★ the Father, and ★ the Son, ★ and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go forth, the Mass is ended. Thanks be to God.

Salve Regina

tune: Gaudeumus Paritur (NEH 106i)

Hail, thou Queen and Mother blessed!
Joy when all was sadness,
Life and hope thou gavest man,
Mother of our gladness!
Children of the sinful Eve,
Sinless Eve, befriend us,
Exiled in this vale of tears;
Strength and comfort send us!

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Almighty, everlasting God, who by the co-operation of the Holy Spirit, didst prepare the body and soul of the glorious Virgin Mary to become a dwelling meet for thy Son: grant that, as we rejoice in her commemoration, so by her gracious intercession we may be delivered from present evils and from everlasting death. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The FINAL HYMN is sung:

tune: Crucifer (A&MR 633)

Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore his sacred name.

2.

Come, brethren, follow where our Captain trod, Our King victorious, Christ the Son of God:

8.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious Tree, As thou hast promised, draw men unto thee:

10.

From farthest regions let them homage bring, And on his Cross adore their Saviour King:

12.

For thy blest Cross which doth for all atone Creation's praises rise before thy throne:

words: G. W. Kitchin (1827-1912) and M. R. Newbolt (1875)

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NOTICES THIS WEEK:

We welcome all who have joined us especially today for the blessing and dedication of the Rood Cross, particularly Bishop Norman as well as members of the sculptor's family.

Please stay for refreshments after Mass today and meet our visitors

LONDON OPEN HOUSE

We continue to open the Church today until 4pm. Thank you to the additional church sitters making this possible.

NEXT SUNDAY

6pm, Sunday 21st September, Patronal Festival Mass at St. Matthew's, Willesden.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH

The Stroke Association is a member of the stroke Alliance for Europe (SAFE) who are various European patient organisations dealing with stroke prevention and care. The Charity provides support, services information to Stroke patients and their families. www.stroke.org.uk

FOOD BANK

The important work of the Food Bank needs our support. Please remember them when you are shopping

Father Jason's last Sunday at St. Andrew's is: Sunday 19th October 2025 when there will be drinks and nibbles in Church after Mass, concluding with Benediction at 3pm

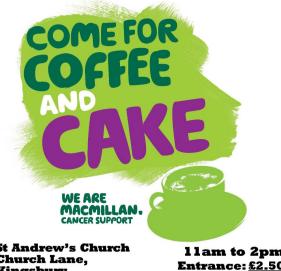
His induction at St. Augustine's, Kilburn is: Friday, 21st November at 7pm

All are warmly invited to both occasions!





Saturday, 27th Sept 2025



Church Lane. Kingsbury

11am to 2pm Entrance: £2.50 includes a cuppa & a slice of cake!



Harvest Thanksgiving Mass Sunday, 28th September 2025 1030 am

Donations of toiletries and non perishable food items will be received at the Mass in thanksgiving for all that God gives to us and then passed to the Kingsbury food bank





We pray for: Sarah, Bishop of London, Jonathan, Bishop of Fulham, Catherine, Archdeacon of Northolt, and Sophie, Area Dean of Brent and James, Assistant Area Dean

For the sick and all have asked for our prayers, amongst them: Naomi Gardner, Elsa Gordon, Nathalie Gregory, Khadi Harleston, Jacinth Hay, Alenka Heyer, Arthur Huggins, Teresa Javorska, Ivor Jevons, Stephen Joseph, Kerry McClan, Michael Francis

For those who have asked for our continued prayers, amongst them: Katherine & Edward Lewis, Barbara Lynes, Eugene & Roy Malcolm, Thelma Martin, Connie Mengezeleli, Leonora & Jacqui Merritt, Denise Mills, Robin Morgan, Jean Newell, Karla Nathan, Bridgid Nzekwu, Alexandra Obah, Sunday Ogundere, Dolores Payne, Julian Peruse, Emma Peryer

Pray for the recently departed: Margaret Lukhezo

Pray for those whose anniversary of death occurs this week:

16th: Ruby Cleaver (1993), Jim Larter (1997), Roger Jordan (2016)

17th: Amy Clifford (1973), Alan Edwards (1993), Earlstandhope Edwards (2014),

Jeremy Ball (2017)

18th: Ebu Williams (2019), Mbuyiselo Mayika (2020)

19th: Kathleen Peters (1977), Sherman Hines (1994), Chantelle Facey (2007),

Grenville Barrow (2020), David Dawson (2012)

Prayers for the week:

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, in times of loneliness may we be comforted by your presence. In days of affliction may we be fortified with your strength. In hours of despair may we be raised up through your love. Amen .Marie Bernarde Soubirous (1844-1879)

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

cf. Galatians 6:14

EVENTS & SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Monday, 15th September

Our Lady of Sorrows

Gospel: Matthew 19:16-22

Pray for: persecuted Christians

Residents of: Janson Close,

Kelly Close, Ken Way

Tuesday, 16th September

St. Cornelieus and St Cyprian, bishops

Gospel: Matthew 19:23-30

Pray for: all who seek healing

Residents of: Kings Drive,

Kingsgate, Kingsmere Park

Wednesday, 17th September

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Pray for: a deepening of our faith

Residents of: Langdon Drive,

Lavender Avenue, Lawrence Way

Thursday, 18th September 9am Morning Prayer 9.30am Rosary

10am Mass

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Pray for: vocations to the priesthood

Residents of: Leith Close,

Lyndhurst Close, Mallard Way

Friday, 19th September

St. Januarius, bishop and martyr

9am Morning Prayer 9.30am – 11.30am Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Pray for: the those in prison

Residents of: Merley Court,

Mount Drive, Neasden Lane North

Saturday, 20th September

St Andrew Kim Tae-gôn, priest

9.30am Fr Jason is saying the Mass at St. Mary, Willesden – all welcome

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

Pray for: our Church sitters & visitors today

Residents of: North Circular Road,

Old Church Lane, Oxford Place

Sunday, 21st September

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.30am Sung Mass with Holy Baptism

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Pray for: for the spread of the Gospel
Residents of: Page Avenue,
Parkfields Avenue, Peace Grove

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