

Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

1st November 2020, All Saints & All Souls, 10.30 am

Opening Hymn & Introduction to worship

Confession Lord you are gracious and compassionate.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You are loving to all, and your mercy is over all creation.

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Your faithful servants bless your name, and speak of the glory of your kingdom.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Absolution.

Gloria - (Said Together). 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 sins 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.

Collect Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, **All Amen.**

This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Singing of 'Alleluia' to introduce the Gospel. Jesus said "I am the Resurrection and the Life".

Gospel Reading: (Matthew 5: 1-12)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. All: Glory to you O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily - Revd Ian Welch

Prayers - The Easter Candle will be lit, & the names of loved ones recalled.

The Peace & Offertory Hymn

Eucharistic Prayer

(To be followed as an Agape celebration with one's own un-consecrated bread and wine, if so wished).

Blessing & Closing Hymn

Notices.

Please note that in accord with the new Tier 2 guidance for outdoor meetings, gathering in groups of more than 6 is no longer permitted. It will be a challenge, but it will be necessary to follow this guidance on leaving church after Sunday services.

Children's Society Boxes In view of the difficult circumstances this year, I can collect your Box from church or from your house. Alternatively you could pop a cheque round to me made payable to The Children's Society. Please contact me with your preference many thanks Iris email irismilleris@hotmail.co.uk or tel 0208 488 0012.

Deanery Forum: This will be held at St Edward's Church, Mottingham, Wednesday 4th November, beginning with Night Prayer at 7 pm, followed by the meeting at 7.30 pm. Those who wish may also join on Zoom, details to be sent out on the night.

Monday Zoom Bible Study with Revd Maureen Spinks, on the minor prophets, 7.45 pm, ID 864-888-0283, Password 278331. Tomorrow's meeting will focus on Obadiah.

Remembrance Day Services for 2020. Mottingham - St Andrews, 10am with act of Remembrance & wreath laying, Cllr Will Rowlands, at the end of the service (40); St Albans, - 10.45am with act of Remembrance at the beginning of the service (25). Revd Ian will lay the Churches Together Wreath at the War Memorial following the service. Please feel free to lay your own wreaths or poppies at the village Memorial.

Mottingham - St Edward's - St Keverne Road - 10.30am with act of Remembrance and wreath laying by Cllr David Cartwright during service (50) And Children's Service at 12.00 (50)

Mottingham - Our Lady Help of Christians - Mottingham Road - 11.15am with act of Remembrance at the start of the service (30)

Mid-week Communion: 10 am Wednesday, St Andrew's.

Private Prayers: St Alban's, Thursdays at Noon; St Andrew's, Fridays, 10 - 11 am.

On-line Improvised Daily Taizé Prayer. Zoom available via the parish website.

Children's sharing. As always, your recent creative work is warmly welcome, if you wish to share it. Sarah has now posted the Children's 'Michaelmas Exhibition' on the Church notice board.

Mottingham Foodbank. Provisions for the food bank may be donated Mon, Thur, Fri, Sat 9.30 am – 1 pm, and Wed 6-7 pm at St Edward's Church Hall. If anyone is interested in volunteering at the Foodbank, contact Revd Ian.

Prayers for the sick: We especially remember Christiana, Fiona Bailey-Sylvester, Rachel Stevens, Roger Welch, Revd Dave Warren, Roz Ware, Rachel Lee & Chloe Sissons.

We continue to hold our dear departed loved ones & friends In particular Godfrey Hurst, Anjali Walker, Merle Holley, Don Wharton, Alice Payne, Herma Shepherd, and all whose Year's Mind falls at this time.

A very Happy Birthday to all celebrating Birthdays at this time.