

# Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

8th November 2020, Remembrance Sunday, 10 am

## Opening Hymn & Call to worship

**Confession** Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world; its pride, its selfishness, its greed; its evil divisions and hatreds. Let us confess our share in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for his children.

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved 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.**

**Absolution.**

**Collect** Ever-living God,  
we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war  
into the peace of your presence;  
may that same peace calm our fears,  
bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**

## First Reading (1 Thess 4: 13-end)

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

**Gradual Hymn and Singing of 'Alleluia' to introduce the Gospel.** Jesus said "Those who believe in me shall not perish, but shall have eternal life, Alleluia."

## Gospel Reading: (John 15: 9-17)

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

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

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

**Homily - Revd Anne Hoad**

**Prayers**

## 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).*

### The Lord's Prayer

**Act of Remembrance, Two Minutes Silence and laying of CTIM wreath at nave altar.** The wreath will be laid at the Mottingham War Memorial following the service at St Andrew's .

### Act of Commitment.

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellows, that we may help, encourage and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of all nations.

**All: Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all humankind in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name.**

**Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom, courage and hope, and keep us faithful to you, now and always. Amen**

### Notices

#### Blessing & National Anthem, verses 1 & 3

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**New phase of Lockdown.** *In line with Government regulations, Sunday worship will be live-streamed on Zoom during the lock-down period, and services will be held at 10.30 am, alternately at St Andrew's and St Alban's*

**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](mailto:irismilleris@hotmail.co.uk) or tel 0208 488 0012.*

**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.*

**Wednesday Zoom Bible Study with Revd Ian Welch.** *'Reflections on the Psalms', 8 pm, ID 675-014-6024 and Password 859013.*

**Morning Prayer on Zoom, Tues, Thurs & Fri, 9 am** *ID 675-014-6024*

**Mid-week Communion on Zoom:** *10 am Wednesday. Joining details as above.*

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

**PCC Meeting:** *Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30 pm, on Zoom. Please submit Agenda items and reports to Imogen by Sunday 15 November.*

**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. Do take a look at the '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 & 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.**