



Parish of Mottingham St Andrew with St Alban

22nd August, 2021, 10.30 am, Trinity 12 – St Alban's Church

Opening Hymn

Introduction to worship: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Lord, your compassion is over all the earth. Lord have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy.

Your loving kindness is for all, and brings healing to our souls. Christ have mercy.

All: Christ have mercy.

Your faithfulness is revealed from generation to generation. Lord have mercy.

All: 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: The Collect/Prayer for the Day.

First Reading: (Ephesians 6:10-20)

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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

Alleluia: *Jesus is the Holy One of God who gives life to the world.* **Alleluia.**

Gospel Reading: (John 6: 56-69). *The Lord be with you.* **All: And also with you.**

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

Jesus said to the crowd: 'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon - Revd Anne Hoad

Prayers Lord in your mercy. *All: Hear our prayer*

Conclusion: *All: Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen*

The Peace The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *All: And also with you.*

Hymn

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.

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power & might, heaven & 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.

Celebrant: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: All: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer.

Celebrant: 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.

All: Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (X2

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

Celebrant: 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.*

Prayer after Communion: *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.*

Blessing The Lord be with you. *All: And also with you.*

Closing Hymn

Dismissal Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *All: In the name of Christ. Amen.*_____

Notices.

Revd Ian is on annual leave from 9th – 23rd August. There will be only one 10.30 am Eucharist at alternate churches while Revd Ian is on leave: on Sunday 15th August at St Andrew's, and Sunday 22nd August at St Alban's. There will be Midweek Eucharists at 10am on Wednesday 11th & Wednesday 18th August.

New Rectory Office Telephone Number: Please note, the office number for pastoral calls and hall bookings is now: 020 8488 8783.

Mid-week Eucharist: Wednesday 18th August, St Andrew's, 10.00 am.

PCC Vacancy: There is currently a vacant place for an elected member on the PCC. If any communicant member of the Church on the Electoral Roll would be interested in filling this vacancy, please contact Revd Ian..

Prayers for the sick: John Potts, Pip Bampton, Tom Biro, Roger Welch, Chloe Sissons, Jim Bulford, Helen Donaldson, Baby Cody, Baby Ruby, David and Janet Hughes, Betty Walsh, Sally Edwards, Wynne Bowen, Tracey Harison, Marion Harison, Baby Niamh King, Humphrey Butts, Everest Ungar, Eve Palmer, Baby Indigo, Elizabeth McKenzie, Mark Burkitt, Ivor and Anne Harper, John Symons, Victoria Adeniran, Mary Clotilda.

We continue to hold our dear departed loved ones & friends in our prayers, In particular: Revd Dave Warren, Joyce Hails, David Howard, Paul Baldwin Alexander Campbell, and all whose Year's Mind falls at this time.