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Thursday 25 April
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Martin *Kyrie* from *Messe*

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison *Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

Words *from the Mass*
Music *Frank Martin (1890–1974)*

Psalm 119: 1–16 (Atkins)

Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord.
Blessed are they that keep his testimonies: and seek him with their whole heart.
For they who do no wickedness: walk in his ways.
Thou hast charged: that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.
O that my ways were made so direct: that I might keep thy statutes!
So shall I not be confounded: while I have respect unto all thy commandments.
I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart: when I shall have learned the judgements of thy
 righteousness.
I will keep thy ceremonies: O forsake me not utterly.
Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way: even by ruling himself after thy word.
With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.
Thy words have I hid within my heart: that I should not sin against thee.
Blessed art thou, O Lord: O teach me thy statutes.
With my lips have I been telling: of all the judgements of thy mouth.
I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies: as in all manner of riches.
I will talk of thy commandments: and have respect unto thy ways.
My delight shall be in thy statutes: and I will not forget thy word.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Mark 14: 1–11

Now the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him. ² ‘But not during the festival,’ they said, ‘or the people may riot.’

³ While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.

⁴ Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, ‘Why this waste of perfume? ⁵ It could have been sold for more than a year’s wages and the money given to the poor.’ And they rebuked her harshly.

⁶ ‘Leave her alone,’ said Jesus. ‘Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. ⁷ The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. ⁸ She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. ⁹ Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her.’

¹⁰ Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them. ¹¹ They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. So he watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

Second Reading Mark 14: 12–26

On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, 'Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?'

¹³ So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, 'Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. ¹⁴ Say to the owner of the house he enters, "The Teacher asks: where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"¹⁵ He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.'

¹⁶ The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. ¹⁷ When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. ¹⁸ While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me – one who is eating with me.'

¹⁹ They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, 'Surely you don't mean me?'

²⁰ 'It is one of the Twelve,' he replied, 'one who dips bread into the bowl with me. ²¹ The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born.'

²² While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take it; this is my body.' ²³ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

²⁴ 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many,' he said to them. ²⁵ 'Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.' ²⁶ When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

First Collect, for the Day (St Mark)

O Almighty God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark; Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem Martin *Sanctus* from *Messe*

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus
Sabaoth.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might.

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in
excelsis.

*Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the
highest.*

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini,
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Words *from the Mass*
Music *Frank Martin*

Sunday 28 April
HOLY COMMUNION

Collect for the Day

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Gospel Reading Luke 8: 40–56

Now when Jesus returned, a crowd welcomed him, for they were all expecting him. ⁴¹ Then a man named Jairus, a synagogue leader, came and fell at Jesus' feet, pleading with him to come to his house ⁴² because his only daughter, a girl of about twelve, was dying.

As Jesus was on his way, the crowds almost crushed him. ⁴³ And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years, but no one could heal her. ⁴⁴ She came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped.

⁴⁵ 'Who touched me?' Jesus asked.

When they all denied it, Peter said, 'Master, the people are crowding and pressing against you.'

⁴⁶ But Jesus said, 'Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me.'

⁴⁷ Then the woman, seeing that she could not go unnoticed, came trembling and fell at his feet. In the presence of all the people, she told why she had touched him and how she had been instantly healed. ⁴⁸ Then he said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.'

⁴⁹ While Jesus was still speaking, someone came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. 'Your daughter is dead,' he said. 'Don't bother the teacher anymore.'

⁵⁰ Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, 'Don't be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed.'

⁵¹ When he arrived at the house of Jairus, he did not let anyone go in with him except Peter, John and James, and the child's father and mother. ⁵² Meanwhile, all the people were wailing and mourning for her. 'Stop wailing,' Jesus said. 'She is not dead but asleep.'

⁵³ They laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. ⁵⁴ But he took her by the hand and said, 'My child, get up!' ⁵⁵ Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up. Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat. ⁵⁶ Her parents were astonished, but he ordered them not to tell anyone what had happened.

Sunday 28 April
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Simon Hall (Clare 2022), Lighten our darkness *

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;
and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;
For the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Amen.

Words *The Third Collect, from the Order of Evening Prayer*
Music *Simon Hall (2003–, Clare 2022)*

** This introit receives its first performance today*

Psalm 96 (Russell)

O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his honour unto the heathen: and his wonders unto all people.
For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised: he is more to be feared than all gods.
As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols: but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
Glory and worship are before him: power and honour are in his sanctuary.
Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people: ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name: bring presents, and come into his courts.
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King: and that it is he who hath made the round world
so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.
Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad: let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: and with righteousness to judge the world, and the
people with his truth.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading John 20: 1–10

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped round Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Second Reading John 20: 11–18

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³ They asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying?'

'They have taken my Lord away,' she said, 'and I don't know where they have put him.' ¹⁴ At this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ He asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?'

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.'

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, 'Mary.'

She turned towards him and cried out in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!' (which means 'Teacher').

¹⁷ Jesus said, 'Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' "

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: 'I have seen the Lord!' And she told them that he had said these things to her.

First Collect, for the Day

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem John Rutter (Clare 1964) *O all ye works of the Lord*

O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye heavens, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye waters that be above the firmament, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O all ye powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye stars of heaven, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye showers and dew, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye winds of God, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye winter and summer, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye dews and frosts, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye frost and cold, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye ice and snow, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye nights and days, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye light and darkness, ye lightnings and clouds: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O let the earth bless the Lord: yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye mountains and hills, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye green things upon the earth, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O ye wells, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O ye seas and floods, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O ye whales, and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O let Israel bless the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.
 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
(Gloria in excelsis Deo)
 Praise him, all creatures here below,
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Words *Canticle of the Three Holy Children, from the 1662 Book of Common Prayer*
 Music *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1964)*

Thursday 2 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit *Arvo Pärt Bogoroditsye Dyevo*

Bogoroditsye Dyevo, raduysya
 Blagodatnaya Marie, Gospod s Toboyu.
 Blagoslovenna Ti v zhenakh,
 i blagosloven plod chreva Tvoego,
 yako Spasa rodila yesi dush nashikh.

*Virgin Mother of God,
 Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
 Blessed are you among women,
 And blessed is the fruit of your womb,
 For you gave birth to the saviour of our souls.*

Words *Luke 1: 28*
 Music *Arvo Pärt (1935–)*

Psalm *O Lord, how manifold are thy works (John Rutter, Clare 1964)*

O Lord, how manifold are thy works: in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.
 Thou cover'dst it with the deep like as with a garment: the waters stand in the hills.
 He sendeth the springs into the rivers: which run among the hills.
 All beasts of the field drink thereof: and the wild asses quench their thirst.
 Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation: and sing among the branches.
 He bringeth forth grass for the cattle: and green herb for the service of men.
 The trees of the Lord also are full of sap: even the cedars of Libanus which he hath planted;
 Wherein the birds make their nests: and the fir-trees are a dwelling for the stork.

The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats: and so are the stony rocks for the conies.
The lions roaring after their prey: do seek their meat from God.
The sun ariseth, and they get them away together: and lay them down in their dens.
Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour until the evening.
O Lord, how manifold are thy works: in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.

The glorious Majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever: the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

For all the gifts of God's creation fashioned by his mighty hand:
Earth and heaven, and all things living springing up at his command;
To God on high be endless glory, praise and honour to his Name,
Who was, and is, and ever shall be, through eternity the same.

How rich and fair his works of nature, bird and beast and tree and flower;
All that lives, and has its being under God's almighty power!
To him who reigns in endless glory, praise and honour to his Name,
Who was, and is, and ever shall be, through eternity the same. Amen.

Words from *Psalm 104*; *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1964)*
Music *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1964)*

First Reading Mark 14: 27–31

'You will all fall away,' Jesus told them, 'for it is written:
'I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered.'

²⁸ But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee.' ²⁹ Peter declared, 'Even if all fall away, I will not.' ³⁰ 'Truly I tell you,' Jesus answered, 'today – yes, tonight – before the cock crows twice you yourself will disown me three times.' ³¹ But Peter insisted emphatically, 'Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.' And all the others said the same.

Second Reading Mark 14: 32–42

They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I pray.' ³³ He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. ³⁴ 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death,' he said to them. 'Stay here and keep watch.'³⁵ Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. ³⁶ 'Abba, Father,' he said, 'everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.'

³⁷ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. 'Simon,' he said to Peter, 'are you asleep? Couldn't you keep watch for one hour?' ³⁸ Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.'

³⁹ Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. ⁴⁰ When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him. ⁴¹ Returning the third time, he said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. ⁴² Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!'

First Collect, for the Day (St Athanasius)

O ever-living God, whose servant Athanasius testified to the mystery of the Word made flesh for our salvation; help us, with all the saints, to contend for the truth, and to grow into the likeness of thy Son, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AnthemSumsion *They that go down to the sea in ships*

They that go down to the sea in ships: and occupy their business in great waters;
These men see the works of the Lord: and his wonders in the deep.
For at his word the stormy wind ariseth: which lifteth up the waves thereof.
They are carried up to the heav'n, and down again to the deep:
 their soul melteth away because of the trouble.
They reel to and fro and stagger like a drunken man: and are at their wit's end.
So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble: He deliv'reth them out of their distress.
For he maketh the storm to cease: so that the waves thereof are still.
Then are they glad because they are at rest:
 and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

Words *Psalm 107: 23–30*
Music *Herbert Sumsion (1899–1995)*

Sunday 5 May**HOLY COMMUNION**

Collect for the Day

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
 to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Gospel Reading

Luke 9: 1–9

When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to drive out all demons and to cure diseases, ²and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal those who were ill. ³He told them: "Take nothing for the journey – no staff, no bag, no bread, no money, no extra shirt. ⁴Whatever house you enter, stay there until you leave that town. ⁵If people do not welcome you, leave their town and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them." ⁶So they set out and went from village to village, proclaiming the good news and healing people everywhere.

⁷Now Herod the tetrarch heard about all that was going on. And he was perplexed because some were saying that John had been raised from the dead, ⁸others that Elijah had appeared, and still others that one of the prophets of long ago had come back to life. ⁹But Herod said, "I beheaded John. Who, then, is this I hear such things about?" And he tried to see him.

Sunday 5 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Eoin Jenkins (Clare 2023) *Song* *

Heart, my heart,
All suddenly the wind comes soft,
– And Spring is here again.
And the hawthorn quickens with buds of green,
– And my heart with buds of pain.

My heart all Winter lay so numb,
– The earth so dead and froze,
That I never thought the Spring would come,
– Or my heart wake any more.

But Winter's broken and earth has woken,
– And the small birds cry again;
And the hawthorn hedge puts forth its buds,
– And my heart puts forth its pain.

Words *Rupert Brooke (1887–1915)*
Music *Eoin Jenkins (2005–, Clare 2023)*

**This introit receives its first performance today*

Psalm 45 (Turton; Russell)

My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.
My tongue is the pen: of a ready writer.
Thou art fairer than the children of men: full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.
Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most Mighty: according to thy worship and renown.
Good luck have thou with thine honour: ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.
Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto thee: even in the midst among the King's enemies.
Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.
Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia: out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.
Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.
Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear: forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.
So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty: for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.
And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift: like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee.
The King's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold.

She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work: the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.

With joy and gladness shall they be brought: and shall enter into the King's palace.

Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children: whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

I will remember thy Name from one generation to another: therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading

Romans 12: 1–8

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.

³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Second Reading

John 11: 17–44

On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. ¹⁸ Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁹ and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. ²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

²¹ 'Lord,' Martha said to Jesus, 'if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.'

²³ Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.'

²⁴ Martha answered, 'I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.'

²⁵ Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶ and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?'

²⁷ 'Yes, Lord,' she replied, 'I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.'

²⁸ After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. 'The Teacher is here,' she said, 'and is asking for you.' ²⁹ When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹ When

the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there.

³² When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, ‘Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.’

³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ ‘Where have you laid him?’ he asked.

‘Come and see, Lord,’ they replied.

³⁵ Jesus wept.

³⁶ Then the Jews said, ‘See how he loved him!’

³⁷ But some of them said, ‘Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?’

³⁸ Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹ ‘Take away the stone,’ he said.

‘But, Lord,’ said Martha, the sister of the dead man, ‘by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days.’

⁴⁰ Then Jesus said, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?’

⁴¹ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, ‘Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.’

⁴³ When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, ‘Lazarus, come out!’ ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth round his face.

Jesus said to them, ‘Take off the grave clothes and let him go.’

First Collect, for the Day

O Lord, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem Handel *My heart is inditing*

My heart is inditing of a good matter:
I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.
Kings daughters were among thy honourable women.
Upon thy right hand did stand the Queen in vesture of gold;
 and the King shall have pleasure in thy beauty.
Kings shall be thy nursing fathers,
 and queens thy nursing mothers.

Words *after Psalm 45: 1, 10, 12; Isaiah 49: 23*
Music *George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)*

Tuesday 7 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit John Rutter (Clare 1964) *The gift of each day*

The gift of each day rising out of darkness:
the promise of light and the birth of new life,
the dawn of new hope and a new beginning,
if we turn to the light;

The gift of each day stirring all around us:
the sights of the earth, and sea, and sky,
Forever fresh as the day we first saw them,
forever new as creation's first day.

Domine, gratias agimus tibi;
Lord God, we give you thanks, blessing, and praise.
Behold creation, so filled with miracles,
Benedictus es, Benedictus es, Domine.

The gift of each day has been freely granted:
the gift of creation in glory revealed.
We thank you, Lord, for all its blessings,
we thank you, Lord, for the gift of each day,
your good gift of each day,
we thank you, Lord, for the gift of each day.

Words and Music *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1964)*

Psalm 128 (Goss); 129 (Garrett)

Blessed are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his ways.
For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.
Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house.
Thy children like the olive-branches: round about thy table.
Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.
The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.
Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children: and peace upon Israel.
Many a time have they fought against me from my youth up: may Israel now say.
Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up: but they have not prevailed against me.
The plowers plowed upon my back: and made long furrows.
But the righteous Lord: hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.
Let them be confounded and turned backward: as many as have evil will at Sion.
Let them be even as the grass growing upon
 the house-tops: which withereth afore it be plucked up;
Whereof the mower filleth not his hand: neither he that bindeth up the sheaves his bosom.
So that they who go by say not so much as, The Lord prosper you : we wish you good luck in the
 Name of the Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading

Mark 14: 43–52

Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.

⁴⁴ Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: ‘The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.’ ⁴⁵ Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, ‘Rabbi!’ and kissed him. ⁴⁶ The men seized Jesus and arrested him. ⁴⁷ Then one of those standing near drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

⁴⁸ ‘Am I leading a rebellion,’ said Jesus, ‘that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me?’ ⁴⁹ Every day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled.’ ⁵⁰ Then everyone deserted him and fled. ⁵¹ A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him, ⁵² he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.

Second Reading

Mark 14: 53–65

They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, the elders and the teachers of the law came together. ⁵⁴ Peter followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. There he sat with the guards and warmed himself at the fire.

⁵⁵ The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death, but they did not find any. ⁵⁶ Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree. ⁵⁷ Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him: ⁵⁸ ‘We heard him say, “I will destroy this temple made with human hands and in three days will build another, not made with hands.”’ ⁵⁹ Yet even then their testimony did not agree.

⁶⁰ Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, ‘Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?’ ⁶¹ But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer. Again the high priest asked him, ‘Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?’

⁶² ‘I am,’ said Jesus. ‘And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.’ ⁶³ The high priest tore his clothes. ‘Why do we need any more witnesses?’ he asked. ⁶⁴ ‘You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?’ They all condemned him as worthy of death. ⁶⁵ Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, ‘Prophecy!’ And the guards took him and beat him.

First Collect, for the Day

O Lord, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem*Bairstow Save us, O Lord*

Save us, O Lord, waking,
Guard us sleeping,
That awake we may watch with Christ,
And asleep we may rest in peace. Amen.

Words *from the Office of Compline*
Music *Sir Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)*

Wednesday 8 May

COMPLINE

Reading

Matthew 11: 25–30

At that time Jesus said, ‘I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ ‘All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ ‘Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.’

Introit

Gombert *Lugebat David Absalom*

Lugebat David Absalon, pius pater filium,
tristis senex puerum: heu me fili mi Absalon,
quis mihi det ut ego pro te moriar, o fili mi
Absalon.

*David mourned for Absalom, a pious father for his son,
a sad old man for his boy: alas, my son Absalom,
would that I might die for you, O my son Absalom.*

Rex autem David filium cooperto flebat capite.
Porro rex operuit caput suum,
et clamabat voce magna: fili mi Absalon.

*King David wept with covered head for his son.
Then the King uncovered his head,
and cried with a loud voice: my son Absalom.*

Words *Anonymous*

Music *Nicholas Gombert (c. 1495–c. 1560)*

Psalm

31: 1–6 (plainsong)

In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in thy
righteousness.

Bow down thine ear to me: make haste to deliver me.

And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence: that thou mayest save me.

For thou art my strong rock, and my castle: be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name’s sake.

Draw me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou art my strength.

Into thy hands I commend my spirit: for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Anthem

Eric Whitacre *When David heard*

When David heard that Absalom was slain he went up into his chamber over the gate and wept, and
thus he said: My son, my son, O Absalom my son, would God I had died for thee!

Words *2 Samuel 18: 33*

Music *Eric Whitacre (1970–)*

Thursday 9 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Stanford *Cælos ascendit hodie*

Cælos ascendit hodie,
Jesus Christus Rex gloriae,
Sedet ad Patris dexteram,
Gubernat cælum et terram. Alleluia.

*Today has gone up into glory
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
who sits on the right of the Father
and who rules heaven and earth. Alleluia.*

Iam finem habent omnia,
Patris Davidis carmina,
Iam Dominus cum Domino,
Sedet in Dei solio. Alleluia.

*Now all the songs of the Patriarch David
have been fulfilled,
now the Lord sits with the Lord
on the throne of God. Alleluia.*

In hoc triumpho maximo,
Benedicamus Domino,
Laudatur Sancta Trinitas,
Deo dicamus gratias. Alleluia. Amen.

*In this great triumph
let us bless the Lord,
let the Holy Trinity be praised,
let us give thanks to God. Alleluia. Amen.*

Words *Psalm 119: 1*
Music *Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)*

Psalm 47 (Monk)

O clap your hands together, all ye people: O Sing unto God with the voice of melody.
For the Lord is high, and to be feared: he is the great King upon all the earth.
He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet.
He shall choose out an heritage for us: even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.
God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the sound of the trump.
O sing praises, sing praises unto our God: O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.
God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holy seat.
The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham: for God, which is very
high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Daniel 7: 9–14

‘As I looked,
‘thrones were set in place,
and the Ancient of Days took his seat.
His clothing was as white as snow;
the hair of his head was white like wool.
His throne was flaming with fire,
and its wheels were all ablaze.
¹⁰ A river of fire was flowing,
coming out from before him.
Thousands upon thousands attended him;
ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.

The court was seated,
and the books were opened.

¹¹ “Then I continued to watch because of the boastful words the horn was speaking. I kept looking until the beast was slain and its body destroyed and thrown into the blazing fire. ¹² (The other beasts had been stripped of their authority, but were allowed to live for a period of time.)

¹³ “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. ¹⁴ He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshipped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

Second Reading Acts 1: 1–11

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³ After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴ On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: ‘Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptised with water, but in a few days you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.’

⁶ Then they gathered round him and asked him, ‘Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?’

⁷ He said to them: ‘It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’

⁹ After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰ They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹ ‘Men of Galilee,’ they said, ‘why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.’

First Collect, for the Day (Ascension Day)

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only–begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Anthem Gibbons *See, see the Word is incarnate*

See, see the Word is incarnate; God is made man in the womb of a Virgin.
Shepherds rejoice, wise men adore and angels sing
“Glory be to God on high: peace on earth, good will towards men”.

The law is cancelled,
Jews and Gentiles converted by the preaching of glad tidings of salvation.
The blind have sight and cripples have their motion;

diseases cured, the dead are raised, and miracles are wrought.
Let us welcome such a guest with Hosanna.

The Paschal Lamb is offered, Christ Jesus made a sacrifice for sin.
The earth quakes, the sun is darkened, the powers of hell are shaken;
and lo, he is risen up in victory.
Sing Alleluia.

When now he sits on God's right hand
where all the choir of heaven all jointly sing:
Glory be to the Lamb that sitteth on the throne.
Let us continue our wonted note with Hosanna:
Blessed be He that cometh in the Name of the Lord;
with Alleluia, we triumph in victory,
he serpent's head is bruised, Christ's kingdom exalted,
and heaven laid open to sinners.
Amen.

Words *Geoffrey Goodman (c. 1582–1656)*
Music *Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)*

Saturday 11 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit *Finzi God is gone up*

God is gone up with a triumphant shout:
The Lord with sounding Trumpets' melodies:
Sing Praise, sing Praises out,
Unto our King sing praise seraphic-wise!
Lift up your Heads, ye lasting Doors, they sing,
And let the King of Glory enter in.

Methinks I see Heaven's sparkling courtiers fly,
In flakes of Glory down him to attend,
And hear Heart-cramping notes of Melody
Surround his Chariot as it did ascend;
Mixing their Music, making every string
More to enravish as they this tune sing.

Words *Edward Taylor (c. 1642–1729)*
Music *Gerald Finzi (1901–56)*

Psalm 84 (How, Clare 1949)

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice
in the living God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even
thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee: in whose heart are thy ways.
Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well: and the pools are filled with water.
They will go from strength to strength: and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in
Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

For one day in thy courts: is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God: than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence: the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing
shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts: blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Proverbs 3: 1–18

My son, do not forget my teaching,
but keep my commands in your heart,
² for they will prolong your life many years
and bring you peace and prosperity.
³ Let love and faithfulness never leave you;
bind them round your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.
⁴ Then you will win favour and a good name
in the sight of God and man.
⁵ Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
⁶ in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight.
⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes;
fear the Lord and shun evil.
⁸ This will bring health to your body
and nourishment to your bones.
⁹ Honour the Lord with your wealth,
with the firstfruits of all your crops;
¹⁰ then your barns will be filled to overflowing,
and your vats will brim over with new wine.
¹¹ My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline,
and do not resent his rebuke,
¹² because the Lord disciplines those he loves,
as a father the son he delights in.
¹³ Blessed are those who find wisdom,
those who gain understanding,
¹⁴ for she is more profitable than silver
and yields better returns than gold.
¹⁵ She is more precious than rubies;
nothing you desire can compare with her.
¹⁶ Long life is in her right hand;
in her left hand are riches and honour.
¹⁷ Her ways are pleasant ways,
and all her paths are peace.
¹⁸ She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her;
those who hold her fast will be blessed.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 13: 1–13

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

First Collect, for the Day

O Lord, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem J. S. Bach *Singet dem Herrn*, BWV 225(i)

Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied,
die Gemeinde der Heiligen sollen ihn loben.
Israel freue sich des, der ihn gemacht hat.
Die Kinder Zion sei'n fröhlich über ihrem
 Könige,
sie sollen loben seinen Namen im Reihem;
mit Pauken und Harfen sollen sie ihm spielen.

*Sing unto the Lord a new song,
and His praise in the congregation of saints.
Let Israel rejoice in Him that made Him:
let the children of Israel be joyful in their
 King.
Let them praise His name in the dance:
let them sing praises unto Him with the timbrel and harp.*

Words *Psalm 149: 1–3*
Music *Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)*

Sunday 12 May
HOLY COMMUNION

Collect for the Day

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading Luke 9: 10–17

When the apostles returned, they reported to Jesus what they had done. Then he took them with him and they withdrew by themselves to a town called Bethsaida, ¹¹ but the crowds learned about it and followed him. He welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed healing.

¹² Late in the afternoon the Twelve came to him and said, ‘Send the crowd away so they can go to the surrounding villages and countryside and find food and lodging, because we are in a remote place here.’

¹³ He replied, ‘You give them something to eat.’

They answered, ‘We have only five loaves of bread and two fish – unless we go and buy food for all this crowd.’ ¹⁴ (About five thousand men were there.)

But he said to his disciples, ‘Make them sit down in groups of about fifty each.’ ¹⁵ The disciples did so, and everyone sat down. ¹⁶ Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke them. Then he gave them to the disciples to distribute to the people. ¹⁷ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.

Sunday 12 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Harris *Holy is the true light*

Holy is the true light, and passing wonderful, lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict: from Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendour, wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore. Alleluia.

Words *Anonymous: traditional, Salisbury Diurnal*
trans. *George Herbert Palmer (1846—1926)*
Music *Sir William Harris (1883—1973)*

Psalm 1 (Ley)

Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners: and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.
But his delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.
And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side: that will bring forth his fruit in due season.
His leaf also shall not wither: and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.
As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.
Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement: neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: and the way of the ungodly shall perish.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Luke 24: 36–53

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’³⁷ They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost.³⁸ He said to them, ‘Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.’

⁴⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹ And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, ‘Do you have anything here to eat?’ ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate it in their presence. ⁴⁴ He said to them, ‘This is what I told you while I was still with you: everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.’

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, ‘This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.’⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.’

⁵⁰ When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵² Then they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³ And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

Second Reading Hebrews 2: 10–18

In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. ¹¹ Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. ¹² He says,

‘I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters;
in the assembly I will sing your praises.’

¹³ And again, ‘I will put my trust in him.’ And again he says, ‘Here am I, and the children God has given me.’

¹⁴ Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death – that is, the devil – ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants. ¹⁷ For this reason he had to be made like them, fully human in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

First Collect, for the Day

O God the King of Glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Anthem *Harris Faire is the heaven*

Faire is the heaven, where happy soules have place
In full enjoyment of felicitie,
Whence they doe still behold the glorious face
Of the Divine Eternall Majestie;
Yet farre more faire be those bright Cherubins,
Which all with golden wings are overdight,
And those eternall burning Seraphins,
Which from their faces dart out fiery light;
Yet fairer than they both, and much more bright,
Be th’ Angels and Archangels, which attend
On God’s owne Person, without rest or end.
These then in faire each other farre excelling,
As to the Highest they approach more neare,
Yet is that Highest farre beyond all telling,
Fairer than all the rest which there appear,
Though all their beauties joynd together were;
How then can mortall tongue hope to expresse
The image of such endlesse perfectnesse?

Words *Edmund Spenser (1552–99)*
Music *Sir William Harris (1883–1973)*

Tuesday 14 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Stanford *Beati quorum via*

Beati quorum via integra est:
qui ambulant in lege Domini.

*Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way:
and walk in the law of the Lord.*

Words *Psalm 119: 1*
Music *Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)*

Psalm 16 (Harwood)

Preserve me, O God: for in thee have I put my trust.
O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord: Thou art my God, my goods are nothing unto thee.
All my delight is upon the saints, that are in the earth: and upon such as excel in virtue.
But they that run after another god: shall have great trouble.
Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer: neither make mention of their names within my lips.
The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup: thou shalt maintain my lot.
The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground: yea, I have a goodly heritage.
I will thank the Lord for giving me warning: my reins also chasten me in the night-season.
I have set God always before me: for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.
Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced: my flesh also shall rest in hope.
For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell: neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see
 corruption.
Thou shalt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy: and at thy right hand there
 is pleasure for evermore.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Mark 14: 66–72

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. ⁶⁷ When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked closely at him.

‘You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus,’ she said.

⁶⁸ But he denied it. ‘I don’t know or understand what you’re talking about,’ he said, and went out into the entrance. ⁶⁹ When the servant-girl saw him there, she said again to those standing round them, ‘This fellow is one of them.’ ⁷⁰ Again he denied it.

After a little while, those standing near said to Peter, ‘Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.’

⁷¹ He began to call down curses, and he swore to them, ‘I don’t know this man you’re talking about.’

⁷² Immediately the cock crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken to him: ‘Before the cock crows twice you will disown me three times.’ And he broke down and wept.

Second Reading Mark 15: 1–15

Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.

² ‘Are you the king of the Jews?’ asked Pilate.

‘You have said so,’ Jesus replied.

³ The chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴ So again Pilate asked him, ‘Aren’t you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of.’

⁵ But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.

⁶ Now it was the custom at the festival to release a prisoner whom the people requested. ⁷ A man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder in the uprising. ⁸ The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.

⁹ ‘Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?’ asked Pilate, ¹⁰ knowing it was out of self-interest that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him. ¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to get Pilate to release Barabbas instead.

¹² ‘What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?’ Pilate asked them.

¹³ ‘Crucify him!’ they shouted.

¹⁴ ‘Why? What crime has he committed?’ asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, ‘Crucify him!’

¹⁵ Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

First Collect, for the Day (St Matthias)

O Almighty God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles: Grant that thy Church, being always preserved from false apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem Bassano *Dic nobis Maria*

Dic nobis Maria, quid vidisti in via?
Sepulcrum Christi viventis,
 et gloriam vidi resurgentis.
Angelicos testes, sudarium et vestes.

Surrexit Christus spes mea:
 praecedet vos in Galilaeam. Alleluia.

*Tell us, Mary, what did you see on your way?
The tomb of Christ, who is alive,
 and I saw the glory of his rising.
Angels standing as witnesses, the shroud and linen
 cloth.
Christ my hope has risen:
 He has gone to Galilee before you. Alleluia.*

Words from *Sequence for Mass on Easter Sunday*
Music *Giovanni Bassano (1558–1617)*

Thursday 16 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Byrd *Praise our Lord, all ye gentiles*

Praise our Lord, all ye Gentiles, praise him all ye people,
because his mercy is confirmed upon us,
and his truth remaineth for ever. Amen.

Words *Proper for the Feast of the Purification*
Music *William Byrd (c. 1539–1623)*

Psalm 117 (Purcell)

O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise him, all ye nations.
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for
ever. Praise the Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Mark 15: 16–20

The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. ¹⁷ They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. ¹⁸ And they began to call out to him, ‘Hail, king of the Jews!’ ¹⁹ Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spat on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him. ²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

Second Reading Mark 15: 21–32

A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross. ²² They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means ‘the place of the skull’). ²³ Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get. ²⁵ It was nine in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶ The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS.

²⁷ They crucified two rebels with him, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹ Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, ‘So! You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰ come down from the cross and save yourself!’ ³¹ In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law mocked him among themselves. ‘He saved others,’ they said, ‘but he can’t save himself! ³² Let this Messiah, this king of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe.’ Those crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

First Collect, for the Day

O God the King of Glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

AnthemJohn Rutter (Clare 1964) *Believe in life*

Believe in life as a stream ever flowing;
Believe in life as a tree ever growing;
The tree of life, with its branches high in the sky
and its roots so deep in the earth.

Believe in hope as a flame ever burning;
Believe in hope, like the springtime returning;
Believe in hope, lift your eyes up unto the hills,
whence comes our help from the Lord,
the Lord who made the heaven and earth.

Every step that you take could start a journey,
All the strangers you meet could turn to friends.
If you open your eyes new worlds will arise
if you just believe in your life,
believe in your hopes, believe in your dreams.

The stream rolls onward; all things must pass.
Our earthly days are short, all flesh as grass,
But through all ages long since time began,
There stands the tree of life, God's sign to man.

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit, and always green;
The trees of nature fruitless be
Compared with Christ the apple tree. Amen.

Words *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1964); from the collection of Joshua Smith, New Hampshire, 1784*
Music *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1964)*

Sunday 19 May

HOLY COMMUNION

Collect for the Day

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.
Amen.

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: ‘Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans?’ ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues! ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, ‘What does this mean?’

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, ‘They have had too much wine.’

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: ‘Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Sunday 19 May

CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit

Arvo Pärt *Veni, Sancte Spiritus* from *Berliner Messe*

Alleluia.
Emitte Spiritum tuum et creabuntur:
et renovabis faciem terræ. Alleluia.

Alleluia.
Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be created,
and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Alleluia.

Alleluia.
Veni, Sancte Spiritus,
reple tuorum corda fidelium:
et tui amoris in eis ignem accende. Alleluia.

Alleluia.
Come, O Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of Thy faithful:
and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. Alleluia.

Veni, Sancte Spiritus, et emitte caelitus lucis tuae radium.	<i>Come, Holy Spirit, and give out the heavenly radiance of your light.</i>
Veni pater pauperum, Veni dator munerum, Veni lumen cordium.	<i>Come, father of the poor, come, giver of gifts, come, light of all hearts.</i>
Consolator optime, dulcis hospes animae, dulce refrigerium.	<i>Best of comforters, sweet guest of the soul, refreshingly sweet.</i>
In labore requies, in aestu temperies, in fletu solatium.	<i>Rest in labour, calm in the storm, solace in weeping.</i>
O lux beatissima, reple cordis intima tuorum fidelium.	<i>O most blessed light, fill the inmost heart of thy faithful.</i>
Sine tuo numine nihil est in homine, nihil est innoxium.	<i>Without your power there is nothing in a man, nothing is wholesome.</i>
Lava, quod est sordidum, riga, quod est aridum, ana quod est saucium.	<i>Wash, what is soiled, water, what is parched, heal, what is wounded.</i>
Flecte, quod est rigidum, fove, quod est frigidum, rege quod est devium.	<i>Bend, what is set firm, warm, what is cold, rule, over what has gone astray.</i>
Da tuis fidelibus in te confidentibus sacrum septenarium.	<i>Give to your faithful who trust in you, your sevenfold gifts.</i>
Da virtutis meritum, da salutis exitum, da perenne gaudium. Amen. Alleluia.	<i>Reward the virtuous, release the rescued, give joy for ever. Amen. Alleluia.</i>

Words *Antiphon and sequence for Mass of Pentecost;*
Music *Arvo Pärt (1935–)*

Psalm 145 (Woodward)

I will magnify thee, O God, my King: and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
Every day will I give thanks unto thee: and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised: there is no end of his greatness.
One generation shall praise thy works unto another: and declare thy power.
As for me, I will be talking of thy worship: thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts: and I will also tell of thy greatness.
The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed: and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful: long-suffering and of great goodness.
The Lord is loving unto every man: and his mercy is over all his works.
All thy works praise thee, O Lord: and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
They shew the glory of thy kingdom: and talk of thy power;
That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom: might be known unto men.
Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom: and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.
The Lord upholdeth all such as fall: and lifteth up all those that are down.
The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season.
Thou openest thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness.
The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works.
The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.
He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will help them.
The Lord preserveth all them that love him: but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.
My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for
ever and ever.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Genesis 11: 1–9

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ² As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. ³ They said to each other, ‘Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.’ They used brick instead of stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, ‘Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.’ ⁵ But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ The Lord said, ‘If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.’ ⁸ So the Lord scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why it was called Babel – because there the Lord confused the language of the whole world. From there the Lord scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Second Reading Acts 2: 1–24

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. ⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: ‘Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans?’ ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!’ ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, ‘What does this mean?’ ¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, ‘They have had too much wine.’ ¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: ‘Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:
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I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
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and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

²² ‘Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

First Collect, for the Day

O God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

Anthem Harvey *Come, Holy Ghost*

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art
Who dost Thy seven-fold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight:

Anoint and cheer our soilèd face,
With the abundance of Thy grace;
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where Thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee, of both, to be but one;
That through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song,

Praise to Thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Words *Bishop J. Cosin, from Veni, Creator Spiritus*
Music *Jonathan Harvey (1939–2012)*

Tuesday 21 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Poston *Jesus Christ the apple tree*

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit and always green:
The trees of nature fruitless be
Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel:
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell,
The glory which I now can see
In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have bought:
I missed of all; but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil,
Here I will sit and rest a while:
Under the shadow I will be,
Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive:
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

Words from *Divine Hymns or Spiritual Songs*, compiled by *Joshua Smith*
Music *Elizabeth Poston (1905–87)*

Psalms 133 (Novello); 134 (Tallis)

Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is: brethren, to dwell together in unity!
It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard: even unto Aaron's
beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.
Like as the dew of Hermon: which fell upon the hill of Sion.
For there the Lord promised his blessing: and life for evermore.
Behold now, praise the Lord: all ye servants of the Lord;
Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord: even in the courts of the house of our God.
Lift up your hands in the sanctuary: and praise the Lord.
The Lord that made heaven and earth: give thee blessing out of Sion.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Mark 15: 33–41

At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, ‘Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?’ (which means ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’).

³⁵ When some of those standing near heard this, they said, ‘Listen, he’s calling Elijah.’

³⁶ Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. ‘Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to take him down,’ he said.

³⁷ With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

³⁸ The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. ³⁹ And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died, he said, ‘Surely this man was the Son of God!’

⁴⁰ Some women were watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joseph, and Salome. ⁴¹ In Galilee these women had followed him and cared for his needs. Many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem were also there.

Second Reading Mark 15: 42–47

It was Preparation Day (that is, the day before the Sabbath). So as evening approached, ⁴³ Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus’ body. ⁴⁴ Pilate was surprised to hear that he was already dead. Summoning the centurion, he asked him if Jesus had already died. ⁴⁵ When he learned from the centurion that it was so, he gave the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶ So Joseph bought some linen cloth, took down the body, wrapped it in the linen, and placed it in a tomb cut out of rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. ⁴⁷ Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

First Collect, for the Day

O God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

Anthem John Rutter (Clare 1964) *The tree of life*

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit, and always green;
The trees of nature fruitless be
Compared with Christ the apple tree.

This beauty doth all things excel;
By faith I know, but ne’er can tell
The glory which I now can see
In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

The tree of life...

For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have bought;

I missed for all, but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm wearied with my former toil,
Here I shall sit and rest awhile;
Under the shadow I will be
Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.
The tree of life...

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the apple tree.
The tree of life...

Words *from the collection of Joshua Smith, New Hampshire, 1784*
Music *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1964)*

Thursday 23 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Matthew Martin *Haec dies* *

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus:
exultemus et laetemur in ea, alleluia.

*This is the day which the Lord hath made:
let us be glad and rejoice therein, alleluia.*

Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus:
quoniam in saeculum misericordia ejus.

*Give praise to the Lord, for he is good:
for his mercy endureth for ever.*

Dicant nunc, qui redempti sunt a Domino:
quos redemit de manu inimici,
et de regionibus cogregavit eos.

*Let them say so that have been redeemed by the Lord,
whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy:
and gathered out of the countries.*

Words *Psalm 118:24, 1; Psalm 107: 2*
Music *Matthew Martin (1976–)*

**This introit was commissioned and premièred by Graham Ross and the Choir in 2015*

Psalm 141 (Taylor)

Lord, I call upon thee, haste thee unto me: and consider my voice when I cry unto thee.
Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense: and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: and keep the door of my lips.

O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing: let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work wickedness, lest I eat of such things as please them.

Let the righteous rather smite me friendly: and reprove me.

But let not their precious balms break my head: yea, I will pray yet against their wickedness.

Let their judges be overthrown in stony places: that they may hear my words, for they are sweet.

Our bones lie scattered before the pit: like as when one breaketh and heweth wood upon the earth.

But mine eyes look unto thee, O Lord God: in thee is my trust, O cast not out my soul.

Keep me from the snare that they have laid for me: and from the traps of the wicked doers.
Let the ungodly fall into their own nets together: and let me ever escape them.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Mark 16: 1–8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. ² Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, 'Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?'

⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

⁶ 'Don't be alarmed,' he said. 'You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, "He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."' "

⁸ Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

Second Reading Mark 16: 9–20

When Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons. ¹⁰ She went and told those who had been with him and who were mourning and weeping. ¹¹ When they heard that Jesus was alive and that she had seen him, they did not believe it.

¹² Afterwards Jesus appeared in a different form to two of them while they were walking in the country. ¹³ These returned and reported it to the rest; but they did not believe them either.

¹⁴ Later Jesus appeared to the Eleven as they were eating; he rebuked them for their lack of faith and their stubborn refusal to believe those who had seen him after he had risen.

¹⁵ He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. ¹⁶ Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. ¹⁷ And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; ¹⁸ they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on people who are ill, and they will get well.'

¹⁹ After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God. ²⁰ Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.

First Collect, for the Day

O God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

AnthemSarah Rimkus *Mater Dei*

The threefold terror of love; a fallen flare
 Through the hollow of an ear;
 Wings beating about the room;
 The terror of all terrors that I bore
 The Heavens in my womb.

Had I not found content among the shows
 Every common woman knows,
 Chimney corner, garden walk,
 Or rocky cistern where we tread the clothes
 And gather all the talk?

What is this flesh I purchased with my pains,
 This fallen star my milk sustains,
 This love that makes my heart's blood stop
 Or strikes a sudden chill into my bones
 And bids my hair stand up?

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum;
 benedicta tu in mulieribus,
 et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.
 Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,
 ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
 nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
 blessed art though among women,
 and blessed is thy fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
 Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 pray for us sinners,
 now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Words *William Butler Yeats (1865–1939);
 Antiphon for the Blessed Virgin Mary*
 Music *Sarah Rimkus (1990–)*

Thursday 30 May
CHORAL EVENSONG

IntroitThiman *Lord, make my heart a place where angels sing*

Lord, make my heart a place where angels sing!
 For surely thoughts low breath'd by Thee
 And angels gliding near on noiseless wing;
 And where a home they see
 Swept clean, and garnish'd with adoring joy,
 They enter in and dwell,
 And teach that heart to swell
 With heav'nly melody, their own untired employ.

Words *John Keble (1792–1866)*
 Music *Eric Thiman (1900–75)*

Lord, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle: or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

Even he that leadeth an uncorrupt life: and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.

He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour: and hath not slandered his neighbour.

He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes: and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not: though it were to his own hindrance.

He that hath not given his money upon usury: nor taken reward against the innocent.

Whoso doeth these things: shall never fall.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading

Luke 24: 1–8

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵ In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, ‘Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷ “The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.” ⁸ Then they remembered his words.

Second Reading

Luke 24: 9–12

When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰ It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹² Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

First Collect, for the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity; We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

Anthem

Francis Grier *Dilectus meus mihi*

Dilectus meus mihi, et ego illi;

Ego dilecto meo, et dilectus meus mihi.

Ego dormio, et cor meum vigilat.

Vox dilecti mei pulsantis:

Aperi mihi, soror mea,

Amica mea, columba mea,

immaculate mea.

Ad juro vos, filiae Jerusalem,

si inveneritis dilectum meum,

My beloved is mine, and I am for him.

I am for my beloved, and my beloved is for me.

I sleep, yet my heart watches.

The voice of my beloved knocking:

Open to me, my sister,

My love, my dove,

My immaculate one.

I bind you by oath, O daughters of Jerusalem,

if you find my beloved,

ut nuntietis ei quia amore languero.
Talis est dilectus meus,
et ipse est amicus me filiae Jerusalem.

*announce to him that I languish through love.
Such is my beloved,
and he is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.*

Words *Song of Songs 2: 18; 6: 2; 5: 2, 8, 16*
Music *Francis Grier (1955–)*

Sunday 2 June
HOLY COMMUNION

Collect for the Day

O God,
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in the keeping of your commandments
we may please you both in will and deed;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Gospel Reading Luke 9: 18–27

Once when Jesus was praying in private and his disciples were with him, he asked them, ‘Who do the crowds say I am?’

¹⁹ They replied, ‘Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, that one of the prophets of long ago has come back to life.’

²⁰ ‘But what about you?’ he asked. ‘Who do you say I am?’

Peter answered, ‘God’s Messiah.’

²¹ Jesus strictly warned them not to tell this to anyone. ²² And he said, ‘The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.’

²³ Then he said to them all: ‘Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. ²⁴ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. ²⁵ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self? ²⁶ Whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.

²⁷ ‘Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God.’

Sunday 2 June
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Walton *Jubilate Deo*

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
 serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us,
 and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise:
 be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
 and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Words *Psalm 100*
Music *William Walton (1902–83)*

Psalm 28 (Kelway; Hopkins)

Unto thee will I cry, O Lord my strength: think no scorn of me; lest, if thou make as though thou
 hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit.
Hear the voice of my humble petitions, when I cry unto thee: when I hold up my hands towards the
 mercy-seat of thy holy temple.
O pluck me not away, neither destroy me, with the ungodly and wicked doers: which speak friendly
 to their neighbours, but imagine mischief in their hearts.
Reward them according to their deeds: and according to the wickedness of their own inventions.
Recompense them after the work of their hands: pay them that they have deserved.
For they regard not in their mind the works of the Lord, nor the operation of his hands: therefore
 shall he break them down, and not build them up.
Praised be the Lord: for he hath heard the voice of my humble petitions.
The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart hath trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my
 heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him.
The Lord is my strength: and he is the wholesome defence of his Anointed.
O save thy people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance: feed them, and set them up for ever.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading John 20: 19–23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked
for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you!’
²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw
the Lord.

²¹ Again Jesus said, ‘Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.’²² And with that
he breathed on them and said, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are
forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.’

Second Reading John 20: 24–31

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, ‘We have seen the Lord!’

But he said to them, ‘Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.’

²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you!’ ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.’

²⁸ Thomas said to him, ‘My Lord and my God!’

²⁹ Then Jesus told him, ‘Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.’

³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

First Collect, for the Day

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem Walton *The Twelve*

Without arms or charm of culture,
Persons of no importance
From an unimportant Province,
They did as the Spirit bid,
Went forth into a joyless world
Of swords and rhetoric
To bring it joy.

When they heard the Word, some demurred, some mocked, some were shocked:
but many were stirred and the Word spread. Lives long dead were quickened to life;
the sick were healed by the Truth revealed; released into peace from the gin of old sin, men forgot
themselves in the glory of the story told by the Twelve. Then the Dark Lord, adored by this
world, perceived the threat of the Light to his might.

From his throne he spoke to his own. The loud crowd, the sedate engines of State,
were moved by his will to kill. It was done. One by one, they were caught, tortured, and slain.

O Lord, my God,
Though I forsake thee
Forsake me not,
But guide me as I walk
Through the valley of mistrust,

And let the cry of my disbelieving absence
Come unto thee,
Thou who declared unto Moses:
“I shall be there.”

Children play about the ancestral graves, for the dead no longer walk.
Excellent still in their splendour are the antique statues: but can do neither good nor evil.

Beautiful still are the starry heavens: but our fate is not written there.
Holy still is speech, but there is no sacred tongue: the Truth may be told in all.
Twelve as the winds and the months are those who taught us these things:
envisaging each in an oval glory, let us praise them all with a merry noise.

Words *W. H. Auden (1872–1957)*
Music *William Walton (1902–83)*

Tuesday 4 June
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit John Rutter (Clare 1964) *A Ukrainian Prayer*

Bozhe, Ukrayinu khrary
Daj nam syly, viry, j nadiyi,
Otche nash. Amin.

*Lord, protect Ukraine.
Give us strength, faith, and hope,
our Father. Amen.*

Words *anonymous*
Music *John Rutter (1945–, Clare 1946)*

Psalm 36 (Howells)

My heart sheweth me the wickedness of the ungodly: that there is no fear of God before his eyes.
For he flattereth himself in his own sight: until his abominable sin be found out.
The words of his mouth are unrighteous, and full of deceit: he hath left off to behave himself wisely,
and to do good.
He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way: neither doth he abhor any
thing that is evil.
Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens: and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.
Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains: thy judgements are like the great deep.
Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast; How excellent is thy mercy, O God: and the children of
men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house: and thou shalt give them drink of thy
pleasures, as out of the river.
For with thee is the well of life: and in thy light shall we see light.
O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee: and thy righteousness unto them
that are true of heart.
O let not the foot of pride come against me: and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.
There are they fallen, all that work wickedness: they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

First Reading Luke 24: 13–24

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶ but they were kept from recognising him.

¹⁷ He asked them, ‘What are you discussing together as you walk along?’

They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, ‘Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?’

¹⁹ ‘What things?’ he asked.

‘About Jesus of Nazareth,’ they replied. ‘He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.

²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.

²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.’

Second Reading Luke 24: 25–35

He said to them, ‘How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?’ ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going further. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, ‘Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.’ So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, ‘Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?’

³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, ‘It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.’ ³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread.

First Collect, for the Day (St Petroc)

O Almighty God, by whose grace Petroc, kindled with the fire of your love, became a burning and shining light in the Church; inflame us with the same spirit of discipline and love, that we may ever walk before thee as children of light, for the sake of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AnthemStanford *For lo, I raise up*

For lo, I raise up that bitter and hasty nation, which march through the breadth of the earth, to possess the dwelling places that are not theirs.

They are terrible and dreadful, their judgment and their dignity proceed from themselves.

Their horses also are swifter than leopards, and are more fierce than the evening wolves, and their horsemen spread themselves yea, their horsemen come from far.

They fly as an eagle that hasteth to devour, they come all of them for violence; their faces are set as the east-wind, and they gather captives as the sand.

Yea, he scoffeth at kings, and princes are a derision unto him.

For he heapeth up dust and taketh it.

Then shall he sweep by as a wind that shall pass over, and be guilty, even he, whose might is his God.

Art not thou from everlasting, O Lord, my God, mine Holy One?

We shall not die.

O Lord, thou hast ordained him for judgment, and thou, O Rock, hast established him for correction.

I will stand upon my watch and set me upon the tower, and look forth to see what he will say to me, and what I shall answer concerning my complaint.

And the Lord answered me and said:

The vision is yet for the appointed time, and it hasteth toward the end, and shall not lie: though it tarry, wait for it, because it will surely come.

For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

But the Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before Him.

Words *Habakkuk 1: 6–12; 2: 1–3, 14, 20*
Music *Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)*

Wednesday 5 June**COMPLINE**

Reading: Revelation 21: 1–6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look! God's dwelling-place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴ He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.'

⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!' Then he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

⁶ He said to me: 'It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.'

IntroitMonte *Super flumina Babylonis*

Super flumina Babylonis,
 illic sedimus et flevimus
 dum recordaremur tui, Sion.
 Illic interrogaverunt nos,
 qui captivos abduxerunt nos,
 verba cantionum.
 Quomodo cantabimus canticum Domini
 in terra aliena?
 In salicibus in medio ejus
 suspendimus organa nostra.

*By the streams of Babylon,
 there we sat down and wept
 when we remembered you, O Sion.
 There they questioned us,
 those who had led us into captivity,
 about the words of our songs.
 How shall we sing the Lord's song
 in a foreign land?
 On the willows in its midst
 we hung up our harps.*

Words from *Psalm 137*
 Music *Philippe de Monte (1521–1603)*

Psalm

91 (plainsong)

Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
 I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold: my God, in him will I trust.
 For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter: and from the noisome pestilence.
 He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and
 truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night: nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness: nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.
 A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shall not come nigh thee.
 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold: and see the reward of the ungodly.
 For thou, Lord, art my hope: thou hast set thine house of defence very high.
 There shall no evil happen unto thee: neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
 For he shall give his angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways.
 They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.
 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.
 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him up, because he hath
 known my Name.
 He shall call upon me, and I will hear him: yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring
 him to honour.
 With long life will I satisfy him: and shew him my salvation.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

AnthemMessiaen *O sacrum convivium*

O sacrum convivium,
 in quo Christus sumitur
 recolitur memoria passionis eius.
 Mens impletur gratia
 et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.
 Alleluia.

*O sacred feast,
 at which Christ is received
 the memory of his passion is renewed.
 Our souls are filled with grace,
 and a pledge of future glory is given to us.
 Alleluia.*

Words *Anonymous*
 Music *Olivier Messiaen (1908–92)*

Thursday 6 June
CHORAL EVENSONG

Introit Tallis *If ye love me*

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will
pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter,
that he may abide with you for ever, e'en the Spirit of truth.

Words *John 14: 15–17*
Music *Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–85)*

Psalm 40: 1–14 (Walker)

I waited patiently for the Lord: and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.
He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay: and set my feet upon the rock,
and ordered my goings.
And he hath put a new song in my mouth: even a thanksgiving unto our God.
Many shall see it, and fear: and shall put their trust in the Lord.
Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord: and turned not unto the proud, and to such as
go about with lies.
O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts
which are to us-ward: and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.
If I should declare them, and speak of them: they should be more than I am able to express.
Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest not: but mine ears hast thou opened.
Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required: then said I, Lo, I come,
In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God: I am content to
do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.
I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and
that thou knowest.
I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart: my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.
I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth: from the great congregation.
Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord: let thy loving-kindness and thy truth always preserve
me.
For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me that I am not
able to look up: yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath
failed me.
O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me: make haste, O Lord, to help me.
Let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it: let them be
driven backward and put to rebuke, that wish me evil.
Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame: that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee.
Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say always, The
Lord be praised.
As for me, I am poor and needy: but the Lord careth for me.
Thou art my helper and redeemer: make no long tarrying, O my God.

First Reading Luke 24: 36–44

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be
with you.'³⁷ They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost.³⁸ He said to them, 'Why

are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.'

⁴⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹ And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, 'Do you have anything here to eat?' ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate it in their presence. ⁴⁴ He said to them, 'This is what I told you while I was still with you: everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.'

Second Reading Luke 24: 45–53

Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, 'This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'

⁵⁰ When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵² Then they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³ And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

First Collect, for the Day

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem *Bairstow Blessed city, heavenly Salem*

Blessed city, heavenly Salem,
Vision dear of peace and love,
Who of living stones art builded
In the height of heaven above,
And by angel hands apparell'd,
As a bride doth earthward move.

Out of heaven from God descending,
New and ready to be wed
To thy Lord, whose love espoused thee,
Fair adorned shalt thou be led;
All thy gates and all thy bulwarks
Of pure gold are fashioned.

Bright thy gates of pearl are shining,
They are open evermore;
And, their well-earned rest attaining,
Thither faithful souls do soar,
Who for Christ's dear name in this world
Pain and tribulation bore.

Many a blow and biting sculpture
Polished well those stones elect,
In their places now compacted
By the heavenly Architect.
Nevermore to leave the temple,
Which with them the Lord hath decked.

To this Temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving kindness,
Hear thy servants as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls away. Amen.

Words *John Mason Neale (1818–66)*
Music *Sir Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)*

Sunday 9 June
HOLY COMMUNION

Collect for the Day

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Gospel Reading Luke 9: 28–36

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray.²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendour, talking with Jesus.³¹ They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfilment at Jerusalem.³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, 'Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters – one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud.³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, 'This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.'³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.