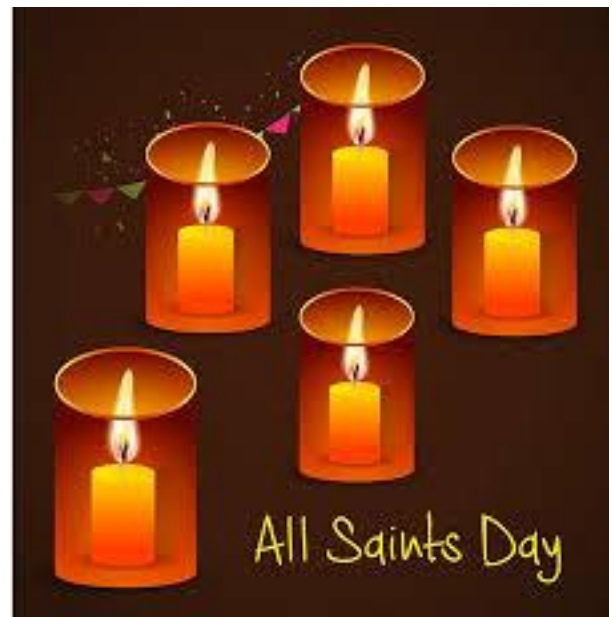


The Parish Church of All Saints',
Sanderstead

PARISH EUCHARIST

Sunday 1st November 2020,
9.30am

All Saints' Day



*Extending God's Welcome to All.
Committed to Grow – in Discipleship, Service and Numbers*

A warm welcome, in the name of Jesus Christ. We have come to worship the Lord God, to experience the joy of fellowship with one another, and to receive God's blessing.

Today we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, a Christian festival in honour of all the saints, known and unknown.

This afternoon at 4pm, we will commemorate the lives of loved ones who have died and there will be opportunity to light a candle in an act of remembrance.

Due to COVID, face coverings are to be worn, and we may not sing.

The virus has an effect on our finances. For one thing, we cannot take a collection. We rely on your giving; there is an offering plate by the North door as you exit.

If you need a gluten-free Communion wafer, speak to one of the stewards.

Please wait in silence and prepare for worship. By way of preparation, you may wish to turn to Hebrews 12 and reflect on the "great cloud of witnesses" by which we are surrounded." You will see around you today some images of those who have gone before - brave men and women who fought valiantly in war. They are "here, but not here" and we will be remembering them in the run-up to Remembrance Sunday next week. They, too, are part of this "great cloud of witnesses".

You are invited to stand for the Hymn, sung by the choir

Hymn: Glory to you. O God

GLORY TO YOU, O GOD,

for all your saints in light,
who nobly waged and won
the fierce and well-fought fight.

 Their praises sing, who life outpoured
 by fire and sword for Christ their King.

Thanks be to you, O Lord,
for saints your Spirit stirred
in humble paths to live
your life and speak your word.

 Unnumbered they whose shining light
 informs our sight from day to day.

Lord God of truth and love,
'Your kingdom come', we pray;
give us your grace to know
your truth and walk your way.

 Your will be done here on this earth,
 till saints in earth and heaven are one.

Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902-1983)

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be
with you.

And also with you.

Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord!
Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose victory the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

Preparation. This prayer is said

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

Prayers of Penitence

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith. *Hebrews 12.1*

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

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

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your kingdom:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

'Gloria in Excelsis'

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

The minister leads us in the special prayer (the 'Collect') for today

**God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Liturgy of the Word Please be seated for the Bible Reading

Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³ All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand for the...

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.

He said: ³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵ Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷ Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. ⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

Please sit

The Sermon

*Anthem: Sing to the Lord your God (based on Psalm 149, v.1-2) -
Guiseppi Octavio Pitoni (1657-1743)*

*[Sing to the Lord your God, sing ye a new song, O praise him in the company
of his saints. Let Israel be glad in him that made him; and daughters of Sion
be joyful in their king,]*

<i>The Creed - You are invited to stand</i>

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

The Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used:
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer

These prayers end with...

Merciful Father
**Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus
Christ. Amen**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament



The priest greets the people in peace

We are fellow citizens of the household of God with the saints, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and to those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The table is prepared, and the choir sing

Hymn (stand): Fill your hearts with joy and gladness

FILL YOUR HEARTS WITH JOY AND GLADNESS,
sing and praise your God and mine!
Great the Lord in love and wisdom,
might and majesty divine!
He who framed the starry heavens
knows and names them as they shine.
Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
sing and praise your God and mine!

[cont.]

Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!
Wounded souls his comfort know.
Those who fear him find his mercies,
peace for pain and joy for woe;
humble hearts are high exalted,
human pride and pow'r laid low.
Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!
Wounded souls his comfort know.

Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
peace and plenty crown your days!
Love his laws, declare his judgments,
walk in all his words and ways;
he the Lord and we his children,
praise the Lord, all people, praise!
Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
peace and plenty crown your days!

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)

The priest says:

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom. **Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer A)

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks, most gracious God,
surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses
and glorified in the assembly of your saints.
The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
We, your holy Church, acclaim you.
In communion with angels and archangels,
and with all who served you on earth and worship you now in heaven,
we raise our voice to proclaim your glory,
for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;
who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper,
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.
Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Jesus Christ is Lord
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen**

Let us pray
You are invited to sit or kneel

With saints and martyrs through the ages, as our Saviour taught us, so we
pray...

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

<i>The priest breaks the consecrated bread</i>
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We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one
bread.**

The Invitation

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, 'Alleluia'.
The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the lamb.

These words are sung by the choir:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Grant us peace.**

The Holy Communion (in one kind only - wafer) is distributed.

Everyone is invited. All who receive Holy Communion in their own churches are welcome. The stewards will guide you.

If you do not wish to receive Communion bow your head for a prayer of blessing. When receiving communion, it is customary to say 'Amen' as you receive the bread.

Time of Quiet

<p><i>Prayers after Communion</i></p>

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen**

Any notices and announcements.

Prayer of God's Blessing

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace. **Amen**

May he give you joy in their fellowship and a share in their praises. **Amen**

May he strengthen you to follow with them in the way of holiness and to come to the full radiance of glory. **Amen**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Hymn (stand): For all the saints

FOR ALL THE SAINTS who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Dismissal

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised:
there is no end of his greatness

One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power

All your works praise you, Lord.
and your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:
let everything bless his holy name for ever and ever.

Conclusion

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth,
go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: Postlude - Ignace Leybach (1817-1891)

Please

... Remain seated until the stewards direct everyone out of the building through the NORTH door.

... Place your offering in the plate.

... Use hand sanitizer as you leave.

Memorial Service today at 4pm

We will commemorate the lives of loved ones who have died and there will be an opportunity to light a candle in an act of remembrance.