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# Holy Trinity Church

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## Sunday 3rd November 2024 — 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist
## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

**Celebrant:** The Revd Val Nellist

**Readings**: Mary Kenyon

**Sides people:** Rachel Campbell and Jan Foster

OFFERINGS AT HOLY TRINITY

*No Collection is taken during services; offerings are welcome before or after the service:*

- *cash in baskets at the back of the church, with Gift Aid donation envelopes*
- *a debit/credit card reader is also available.*

*Contributions support Holy Trinity's Ministry and Running Costs or any Special Collections announced.*

## PREPARATION

**Organ Prelude** Théodore Dubois: Prélude (*Douze pièces pour Orgue*)

**Procession and Opening Litany** *please stand*

*The names of saints and angels as depicted here at Holy Trinity are recited in procession as a reminder of the great cloud of witnesses surrounding us. Please join in singing the refrain after the cantor and after each group of saints (note the short introduction each time):*

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Collect for Purity

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.

## Confession and Absolution

God is love and we are God's children, there is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

*Silence*

God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry.
Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil.
For the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Gloria Kilcreggan Mass (*see separate music sheet*) *please stand*

*Glory to God, 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, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Glory to God, to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Glory to God, to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. 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, receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, of God the Father. Amen, Amen.*

## Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: grant that we may attain, with all your saints, the whole measure of the fullness of Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## First Reading: Wisdom of Solomon 3.1-9

*please sit*

[1]The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them.
[2]In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, [3]and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. [4]For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. [5]Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; [6]like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. [7]In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. [8]They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. [9]Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

## Gradual Hymn

1 Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

2 The Lord, who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with men,
their pattern and their King;

3 Still to the lowly soul
he doth himself impart,
and for his dwelling and his throne
chooseth the pure in heart.

4 Lord, we thy presence seek;
may ours this blessing be;
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple meet for thee.

John Keble (1792-1866)

## Second Reading: Revelation 21.1-6a

[1]I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. [2]And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. [3]And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; [4]he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' [5]And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' [6]Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

## Gospel Acclamation

*please stand*

*We repeat the refrain after the cantor and after the verse, and again after the Gospel reading*

## Gospel: John 11.32-44

*When it is announced:* Glory to Christ our Saviour.

[32]When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him,
'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' [33]When Jesus saw her
weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit
and deeply moved. [34]He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and
see.' [35]Jesus began to weep. [36]So 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]Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying
against it. [39]Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to
him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' [40]Jesus said to
her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' [41]So they took
away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard
me. [42]I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing
here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' [43]When he had said this, he cried with a
loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' [44]The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with
strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Give thanks to the Lord for this glorious Gospel. Praise to Christ our Lord.

## HOLY BAPTISM

(*see separate sheet*)

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

### Offertory Hymn

1 For all the saints
who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith
before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu,
be for ever blest.
*Alleluia, alleluia.*

2 Thou wast their rock,
their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their Captain
in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness,
still their one true light.
*Alleluia, alleluia.*

3 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.*

4 O blest communion,
fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle,
they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee,
for all are thine.
*Alleluia, alleluia.*

5 And when the strife is fierce,
the warfare long,
steals on the ear
the distant triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again,
and arms are strong.
*Alleluia, alleluia.*

6 The golden evening
brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors
comes their rest:
sweet is the calm
of paradise the blest.
*Alleluia, alleluia.*

7 But lo, there breaks
a yet more glorious day
the saints triumphant
rise in bright array:
the King of Glory
passes on his way.
*Alleluia, alleluia.*

8 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.*

W. Walsham How (1823-1897)

## Offertory Prayer

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker, in every place and at all times. All power is yours. You created the heavens and established the earth; you sustain in being all that is. In Christ your Son our life and yours are brought together in a wonderful exchange. He made his home among us that we might for ever dwell in you. Through your Holy Spirit, you call us to new birth in a creation restored by love. As children of your redeeming purpose called to attain with all your saints to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might. Kilcreggan Mass
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he, O blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. *please sit*

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father, for the gift of your Son born in human flesh. He is the Word existing beyond time, both source and final purpose, bringing to wholeness all that is made. Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross. By your power you raised him from the dead. He broke the bonds of evil and set your people free to be his Body in the world. On the night when he was given up to death, knowing

that his hour had come, having loved his own, he loved them to the end. At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: “Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.”

We now obey your Son’s command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by the Spirit’s life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised
into the fellowship of Christ’s Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation,
we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary,
the apostles, and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world. Lord, unite us in this sign.

## The Lord’s Prayer

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.
Do not bring us to the time of trial but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

## Agnus Dei (see separate music sheet)

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, Redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

## Communion

*is administered in both kinds at the bottom of the chancel steps. Hand sanitiser is provided. It is perfectly acceptable to only receive the bread, should you so wish. Please do not intinct (dip the bread into the wine) as this is not considered to be a hygienic practice. The communicant may respond with Amen when receiving the bread and wine.*

## Communion Hymn

*please stand*

1 Jerusalem the golden,
with milk and honey blest,
beneath your contemplation
sink heart and voice oppressed;
I know not, O I know not
what joys await me there,
what radiancy of glory,
what bliss beyond compare!

2 They stand, those halls of Zion,
all jubilant with song,
and bright with many an angel,
and all the martyr throng;
the Prince is ever in them;
the daylight is serene;
the pastures of the blessèd
are decked in glorious sheen.

3 There is the throne of David;
and there, from care released,
the shout of those who triumph,
the song of those who feast;
and they, who with their Leader
have conquered in the fight,
forever and forever
are clad in robes of white.

4 O sweet and blessèd country,
the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country,
that eager hearts expect!
In mercy, Jesus, bring us
to that dear land of rest,
who are, with God the Father,
and Spirit, ever blessed.

Bernard of Cluny (12th century)
trans. John M. Neale (1818-1866)

# THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

## Post Communion Prayer

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Final Hymn (*please stand*)

1 Rejoice in God's saints,
today and all days!
A world without saints
forgets how to praise.
Their faith in acquiring
the habit of prayer
Their depth of adoring,
Lord, help us to share.

2 Some march with events
to turn them God's way;
some need to withdraw,
the better to pray;
some carry the gospel
through fire and through flood:
Our world is their parish:
their purpose is God.

3 Rejoice in those saints,
unpraised and unknown,
who bear someone's cross
or shoulder their own:
they shame our complaining,
our comforts, our cares:
what patience is caring,
what courage is theirs!

4. Rejoice in God's saints,
today and all days!
A world without saints
forgets how to praise.
in loving, in living,
they prove it is true:
the way of self-giving,
Lord, leads us to you.

F. Pratt Green (1903-2000)
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## The Blessing & Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Postlude: Théodore Dubois: Toccata (*Douze Pièces pour Orgue*)

## COMING UP

Sunday 3rd November
6.30 pm All Souls

Readings
Wisdom 3.1-9, 1 Peter 1.3-9, John 6.37-40

Monday 4th November
10 – 11.30 a.m. HT Tots Café
1.30 pm Garden Group

Thursday 7th November
11 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 10th November
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Readings
1 Kings 17.8-16, Hebrews 9.24-28, Mark 12.38-44