Saint Thomas's Church

The Fourth Sunday After Epiphany Sunday, January 30, 2022

High Mass at 11 o'clock



Christ the Redeemer (Salvator Mundi) engraving by Israhel van Meckenem, c. 1495 The Cleveland Museum of Art

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The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God: Those at the High Altar are in memory of Lilly and Neilson Swan.

Celebrant: Fr. Humphrey Homilist: Fr. Shire Reader: David Kent

Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

MUSIC OF THE MASS – Communion Service in D, Kenneth Leighton

Please stand as the choir enters the church during the prelude, sitting again when the choir sits.

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the Sacred Ministers.

INTROIT: Psalm 105.1-7, ant v.1; Tone VII,7

- 1 O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name; / tell the peoples what things he hath done.
- 2 O let your songs be of him and praise him; / and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.
- 3 Rejoice in his holy Name: / let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.
- 4 Seek the Lord and his strength: / seek his face evermore.
- 5 Remember the marvellous works that he hath done, / his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth;
- 6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant, / ye children of Jacob, his chosen.
- 7 He is the Lord our God: / his judgements are in all the world.

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.

O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name; / tell the peoples what things he hath done.

Please kneel.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Choir sings

KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie Eleison: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christe Eleison: Christ, have mercy upon us. Kyrie Eleison: Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Celebrant: Glory be to God on high,

Choir: and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Please remain standing for the Collect.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And with thy spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 1.4-10

The First Lesson is written in the first chapter of the book of the prophet Jeremiah, beginning at the fourth verse.

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Be not afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." Then the LORD put forth his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Behold, I have put my words in your mouth. See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 71.1-6 - In te, Domine, speravi; *Tone III,2*

- 1 In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; / let me never be put to confusion.
- 2 Deliver me and rescue me in thy righteousness: / incline thine ear unto me and save me.
- 3 Be thou my stronghold, whereunto I may alway resort; / thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my rock and my castle.
- 4 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly, / out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
- 5 For thou, O Lord, art the thing that I long for: / thou, Lord, art my trust, even from my youth.
- 6 Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born: / thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 13.1-13

The Epistle is written in in the thirteenth chapter of St Paul's first epistle to the Corinthians, beginning at the first verse.

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect; but when the perfect comes, the imperfect will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall understand fully, even as I have been fully understood. So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as the Choir sings:

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 4.21-30

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the fourth chapter of the Gospel

according to Saint Luke, beginning at the twenty-first verse.

Glory be to thee O Lord.

And Jesus began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke well of him, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth; and they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Physician, heal yourself; what we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here also in your own country." And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his own country. But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when there came a great famine over all the land; and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha; and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. And they rose up and put him out of the city, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw him down headlong. But passing through the midst of them he went away.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please stand. All who are able to kneel, please do so at 'And was incarnate.'

THE NICENE CREED

Missa de Angelis

Celebrant: I believe in one God

Choir: the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, (Kneel.) And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, (Rise.) And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Please remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.

OFFERTORY HYMN 576 - Take my life, and let it be

- Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, LORD, to thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of thy love; Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for thee.
- 3 Take my voice, and let me sing Always, only, for my King; Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold: Take my intellect, and use Every power as thou shalt choose.
- Take my will and make it thine; It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is thine own; It shall be thy royal throne.
- Take my love; my LORD, I pour At thy feet its treasure store: Take myself, and I will be, Ever, only, all, for thee.

MOZART Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the world.
<i>Intercessor</i> : I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for according to the Diocesan prayer cycle, and for all who serve and minister to God's people.
silence
Lord, in thy mercy We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i> : I bid your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our country, province, and city. May God guide us in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good. **silence**
Lord, in thy mercy
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
Intercessor: I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, and we give thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present with us in person or via livestream; our newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far; and for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud [we pray especially for on the anniversary of his/her baptism / ordination/ confirmation, etc.]. May God's abiding presence be with us always, and may we be a blessing to all people. **Silence**
Lord, in thy mercy We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick, and all those suffering from Covid-19, and for an early end to the pandemic, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked, that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord.
silence
Lord, in thy mercy We beseech thee, hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i> : I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom.
silence
Lord, in thy mercy We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Holy God, thou dost gather the whole creation into thy radiant presence and continually reveal thy Son as our Saviour. Bring healing to all wounds, make whole all that is broken, speak truth to all division, and shine light into every darkness, that all will see thy glory and know thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you; **And with thy spirit.**Lift up your hearts; **We lift them up unto the Lord.**Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things. For thou art the fountain of light and life for all thy creation: thou hast made us in thine own image, and dost raise us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

The Choir sings:

Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Blessèd is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake 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.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER, FRACTION AND PEACE

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say:

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

The consecrated Bread is broken.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Celebrant greets the Deacon, Subdeacon and People with bows, then kneels to begin the Prayer of Humble Access.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

Celebrant: We do not presume

to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Choir sings:

AGNUS DEI

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.
In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee,
For ever and ever. Amen.

MOTET

'I sat down under his shadow,' Edward C. Bairstow

I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and His fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, and His banner over me was love. (Song of Solomon 2.3-4)

Please kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please stand.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING HYMN 494 – O Jesu, King most wonderful

- 1 O Jesu, King most wonderful, Thou Conqueror renowned, Thou sweetness most ineffable, In whom all joys are found.
- When once thou visitest the heart, Then truth begins to shine, Then earthly vanities depart, Then kindles love divine.
- 3 O Jesu, Light of all below, Thou Fount of living fire, Surpassing all the joys we know And all we can desire;
- Jesu, may all confess thy Name,
 Thy wondrous love adore,
 And seeking thee, their hearts inflame
 To seek thee more and more.
- Thee, Jesu, may our voices bless,Thee may we love alone,And ever in our lives expressThe image of thine own.

METZLER'S REDHEAD R. Redhead, 1858 Tr (1849) from the Latin of S^t Bernard of Clairvaux (12th cent.) by Rev. E. Caswall

The people may be seated. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence during and after the Postlude.

POSTLUDE: Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BuxWV 223, Dieterich Buxtehude