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# Requiem Eucharist

*for the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed for*

## All Souls'

Sunday 1 November 2020

3.00 pm



## Welcome to St Edmundsbury Cathedral

In this afternoon's All Souls' Service we remember with thanksgiving the people we love who have died. The Commemoration of the departed on All Souls' Day celebrates the saints in a more intimate way than All Saints' Day. It allows us to remember with thanksgiving before God those whom we have known directly: those who gave us life, or who supported and encouraged us on life's journey or who nurtured us in faith.

In our worship, we sense that it is a fearful thing to come before the unutterable goodness and holiness of God, even for those who are redeemed in Christ; that it is searing as well as life-giving to experience God's mercy. This instinct is expressed in the liturgy of All Souls' Day.

During this service, everyone is invited to bring the names of loved ones departed, written on the small white card crosses, to the cross before the altar, and to light a prayer candle there. Names will not be read aloud so that the total focus of this part of the liturgy may be on silent prayer and our individual commendation to God of those whom we remember but see no more.

### Music at today's service

The Cathedral Choir sings the *Requiem*, Op. 48  
by Gabriel Fauré, 1845–1924.

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## ¶ The Order of Service

*As the choir and clergy gather at the west end of the Nave, the President welcomes the congregation from the Pavement, and then leads*

### The Greeting

President We meet in the name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

President The Lord be with you

**All and also with you.**

*Everyone sits or kneels as the choir and clergy enter in silence.*

*After the silence, the choir sings the*

### Introit and Kyrie

Requiem æternam  
dona eis, Domine:  
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

*Rest eternal grant unto them,  
O Lord:  
and let light perpetual shine  
upon them.*

Te decet hymnus Deus in Sion,  
et tibi reddetur votum  
in Jerusalem:  
exaudi orationem meam,  
ad te omnis caro veniet.

*Thou, O God, art praised in Sion,  
and unto thee shall the vow be  
performed in Jerusalem:  
thou that hearest the prayer,  
unto thee shall all flesh come.*

Kyrie eleison,  
Christe eleison.  
Kyrie eleison,

*Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy,*

### The Absolution

President 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.

**All Amen.**

## The Collect

President Let us pray for the peace and well-being of the whole Church in heaven and on earth.

*Silence is kept.*

President Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection, that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; 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.

**All Amen.**

## ¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

*Everyone remains seated as the Sub-Deacon reads*

### The Old Testament Reading

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. 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.

*Wisdom 3.1-9*

For the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel Acclamation

*Everyone stands as the Gospel Book is carried to the centre of the Nave, and everyone turns to face it.*

Cantor Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor 'It is the will of him who sent me,' says the Lord,  
'that I should lose none of all that he has given me,  
but raise them up on the last day.' *cf John 6.39*

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## The Gospel

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, 'Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

*John 6.37-40*

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Everyone sits for*

## The Address

The Reverend Sarah Geileskey  
Cathedral Curate

*After a pause for reflection, everyone stands and the President leads the*

## **Commemoration of the Departed**

President I heard a voice saying, “Write this! Happy are the dead who die in the faith of Christ. Henceforth, says the Spirit, they may rest from their labours, for they take with them the record of their deeds.”

*Revelation 14.13*

**All Give rest, O Christ,  
to your servants with the saints:  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

President You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all: and we are mortal, formed from the dust of the earth, and unto earth shall we return.  
For so you ordained when you created us, saying:  
‘Dust you are and to dust you shall return.’  
All of us go down to the dust, yet weeping at the grave, we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**All Give rest, O Christ,  
to your servants with the saints:  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

President Dear friends, in loving remembrance we commemorate today the souls of the departed. In memory of those who have been close to us in this life, we come to the altar with thanksgiving, to bring the names of loved ones and to light candles. May they be tokens of our love and prayer.

*Everyone places the small card cross, with the name of the person(s) they are remembering, on the large cross of remembrance. You are invited to light a candle there, as a symbol of prayer and thanksgiving, at the same time. Please sit or kneel when you return to your place.*

*During this time, the soloist sings the Pie Jesu.*

Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem.  
*Holy Lord Jesus, grant them rest, grant them eternal rest.*

*When everyone has returned to their places, a moment's quiet is kept, remembering those joining the livestream from home and unable to join us physically. Everyone is invited to join in saying the following prayer:*

**All**            **Eternal Lord God,**  
**you hold all souls in life:**  
**shed forth, we pray, upon all your people**  
**in paradise and on earth,**  
**the bright beams of your light and love;**  
**and grant that we, following the good example of**  
**those who have loved and served you here on earth,**  
**may at last enter with them**  
**into the fullness of your eternal joy;**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
**Amen.**

*Everyone remains seated or kneeling as Chrissy Trendall leads*

## **The Prayers of Intercession**

Jesus, bread from heaven,  
you satisfy the hungry with good things:  
grant us a share with all the faithful departed  
in the banquet of your kingdom.  
Hear us, risen Lord,

**All**            **our resurrection and our life.**

Jesus, the light of the world,  
you gave the man born blind the gift of sight.  
Open the eyes of faith and bring us from darkness  
to your eternal light and glory.  
Hear us, risen Lord,

**All**            **our resurrection and our life.**

Jesus, Son of the living God,  
you summoned your friend Lazarus from death to life:  
raise us at the last to full and eternal life with you.  
Hear us, risen Lord,

**All**      **our resurrection and our life.**

Jesus, crucified Saviour,  
in your dying you entrusted each to the other,  
Mary your mother and John your beloved disciple:  
sustain and comfort all who mourn.  
Hear us, risen Lord,

**All**      **our resurrection and our life.**

Jesus, our way and truth and life,  
you drew your disciple Thomas from doubt to faith:  
reveal the resurrection faith to the doubting  
and the lost.  
Hear us, risen Lord,

**All**      **our resurrection and our life.**

May God in his infinite love and mercy  
bring the whole Church, living and departed in the  
Lord Jesus, to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment  
of his eternal kingdom. **Amen.**

## ¶      *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

*Everyone stands for*

### **The Peace**

President      Jesus says:  
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.  
Not as the world gives do I give you.  
Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
neither let them be afraid.

**All**      The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Deacon      Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*If you have other members of your household with you, you may wish to share the peace with them now. If are alone, know Christ's Peace to be with you now.*

Everyone sits or kneels as the altar is prepared, bread and wine are taken and offered, and the choir sings the

## Offertorium

O Domine, Jesu Christe,  
Rex gloriæ,  
libera animas omnium  
fidelium defunctorum  
de pœnis inferni et de  
profundo lacu,  
libera eas de ore leonis,  
ne absorbeat eas tartarus,  
ne cadant in obscurum.

Sed signifer sanctus  
Michael, repraesentet eas  
in lucem sanctam.  
Quam olim Abrahæ  
promisisti et semini eius.

Hostias et preces tibi  
Domine laudis offerimus:  
tu suscipe pro animabus  
illis, quarum hodie  
memoriam facimus.

Fac eas Domine de morte  
transire ad vitam.  
Quam olim Abrahæ  
promisisti et semini ejus.

O Lord Jesus Christ,  
the King of glory,  
free the souls  
of all thy faithful departed  
from eternal punishment and from  
fathomless waters,  
free them from the mouth of the lion,  
do not let hades swallow them,  
neither let them fall into darkness.

But let the holy standard-bearer  
Michael Lead them into the holy  
light.  
As once you promised to Abraham  
and to his seed.

Lord in praise we offer you  
sacrifices and prayers:  
accept them on behalf of those  
whom we remember today.

Let them, Lord, pass over from  
death to life.  
As once you promised to Abraham  
and to his seed.

Everyone stands for

## The Preparation of the Table

### The Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;  
draw us from hatred to love;  
make the frailty of our praise  
a dwelling for your glory.  
**Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

**All** The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

**All** Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

**All** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great goodness  
to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
In him who rose from the dead  
our hope of resurrection dawned.  
The sting of death has been removed  
by the glorious promise of his risen life.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

Choir	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Hosanna in the highest.</i>
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President Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Deacon Praise to you, Lord Jesus:  
**All Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

President And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once  
for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice  
of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father  
for ever and ever.

**All**        **Amen.**

*Everyone kneels as the consecrated bread and wine are raised in the sight of the people and the Sanctus bell is rung.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Deacon        Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**All**        **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 those who 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 Breaking of the Bread

President Jesus said, 'I am the bread of life.  
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,  
And whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

*Everyone remains kneeling as the choir sings*

## Agnus Dei and Lux Aeterna

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi:  
dona eis requiem,  
Requiem sempiternam.

*O Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sins of the world:  
grant them rest,  
eternal rest.*

Lux æterna  
luceat eis, Domine:  
cum sanctis tuis in æternum,  
quia pius es.  
Requiem æternam  
dona eis Domine:  
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

*Let light perpetual  
shine upon them, O Lord:  
with all thy saints for ever,  
for you are kind.  
Rest eternal grant unto them,  
O Lord: and let  
light perpetual shine upon them.*

President Jesus is the Lamb of God,  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

## Spiritual Communion

*'Spiritual Communion' is a historic practice in the church for anyone who cannot receive the bread and wine physically. It is possible because Communion is always a spiritual practice and not simply physical. Through God's grace, whilst we cannot receive the bread and wine, we can still receive the sacrament in our hearts, and share in communion with Jesus. In making our communion spiritually, we are joining with Christians everywhere who cannot receive the bread and wine at this time. The following prayer is one form of words to use for Spiritual Communion.*

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,  
may I know you more clearly,  
love you more dearly,  
and follow you more nearly,  
day by day. Amen.

*after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

*During Communion the choir sings*

## **Libera me, Domine**

Libera me, Domine, de  
morte æterna, in die illa  
tremenda,  
quando cœli movendi sunt  
et terra, dum veneris  
judicare sæculum per ignem.

*Deliver me, O Lord, from  
everlasting death, on that great  
day of judgement,  
when the heaven and earth shall  
shake and tremble, and thou shalt  
come to judge the world by fire.*

Tremens factus sum ego,  
et timeo, dum discussio  
venerit, atque ventura ira.

*I am made to tremble,  
and I fear, till the judgement  
be upon us, and the coming wrath.*

Dies illa, dies iræ, calamitatis  
et miseræ, dies magna  
et amara valde.

*That day, a day of anger, calamity  
and wretchedness, a day of great  
woe and bitter grief.*

Requiem æternam  
dona eis Domine,  
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

*Rest eternal grant unto them,  
O Lord: and let  
light perpetual shine upon them.*

*Everyone sits or kneels and silence is kept for*

## **The Prayer after Communion**

President Let us pray.

God of love,  
may the death and resurrection of Christ  
which we have celebrated in this Eucharist  
bring us, with all the faithful departed,  
into the peace of our eternal home in heaven.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,  
shepherd and guardian of our souls,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be glory for time and for eternity.  
**Amen.**

**All** **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.**

## ¶ *The Dismissal*

*Everyone stands and the President prays*

### **The Blessing**

President    May God give to you and to all those whom you love  
                 his comfort and peace, his light and his joy,  
                 in this world and the next;  
                 and the blessing of God Almighty,  
                 the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,  
                 be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Deacon        Neither death nor life  
                 can separate us from the love of God  
                 in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**All            Thanks be to God.**

*Everyone sits or kneels as the choir sings*

### **In Paradisum**

In paradisum deducant Angeli,  
in tuo adventu suscipiant  
te martyres,  
et perducant te in civitatem  
sanctam Jerusalem.

*May angels lead you into  
paradise; may the martyrs receive  
you at your coming,  
and lead you to the holy city  
of Jerusalem.*

Chorus Angelorum  
te suscipiat,  
et cum Lazaro quondam  
paupere æternam habeas  
requiem.

*May a choir of Angels  
receive you,  
and with Lazarus, who was once  
poor, may you have eternal  
rest.*

*Everyone remains seated or kneeling as the choir and clergy depart in silence.*

*Please feel free to stay in the Cathedral for your own reflection and prayer for  
as long or short a period as you wish. Please depart quietly.*







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