

# Evening services



**Ordinary Time**

*Monday 8 – Saturday 13 October 2018*



*Thank you for joining us for these services of prayer and praise, held at the church of The Ascension from Monday to Friday by kind permission of Fr Tom Page; Evening Prayer on Saturday 13 October will be held in Chelmsford Cathedral. Welcome stewards are on duty.*

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**Monday 8 October**

Boys' voices

Responses

Plainsong

Office hymn

Dear Lord and Father of mankind (NEH 353)

REPTON

C. Hubert H. Parry 1848-1918  
from a song in his oratorio *Judith*



**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence praise.**

**In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word  
rise up and follow thee.**

**O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!**

**Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace.**

**Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!**

Words: John Whittier (1807-1892)

Psalms 41-43  
 Readings Jonah 1: 1- 2: 10; Luke 10: 25-37  
 Canticles *plainsong tone i*  
 Anthem The Call

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a Way, as gives us breath: such a Truth, as ends all strife: such a Life, as killeth death. Come, My Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a Light, as shows a feast: such a Feast, as mends in length: such a Strength, as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a Joy, as none can move: such a Love, as none can part: such a Heart, as joys in love.

Words: George Herbert (1593 – 1633)

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)

**Tuesday 9 October**

*Girls' voices*

*Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln, Philosopher, Scientist, 1253*

Responses

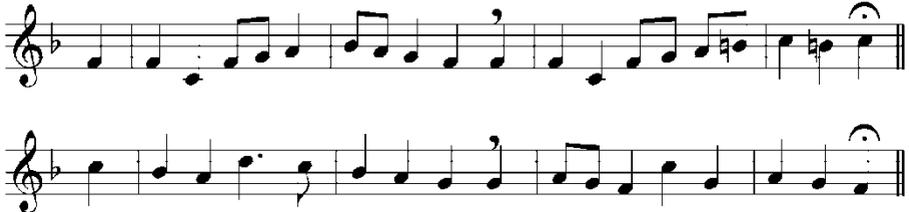
*Peter Nardone (b. 1965)*

Office hymn

O Trinity of blessed light

ILLSLEY

John Bishop c 1665 - 1737



**O Trinity of blessed light,  
 O unity of princely might,  
 the fiery sun now goes his way;  
 shed thou within our hearts thy ray.**

**To thee our morning song of praise,  
 to thee our evening prayer we raise;  
 thy glory suppliant we adore  
 for ever and for evermore.**

**All laud to God the Father be;  
 all praise, eternal Son, to thee;  
 all glory, as is ever meet,  
 to God the holy Paraclete. Amen.**

Words: Saint Ambrose (340-397), tr. John M Neale (1818-1866)

Psalms 47-49  
 Readings Jonah 3; Luke 10: 38-end  
 Canticles Evening Service in E minor *Pelham Humfrey (1647-1674)*  
 Anthem Examine Me, O Lord

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try out my reins, and my heart, and I will walk in thy truth, for thy loving kindness is ever before mine eyes .

Words: from Psalm 26

Music: William Boyce (1711-1779)

## Wednesday 10 October

**Paulinus, Bishop of York, Missionary, 644**

Psalms 53-55

Readings Jonah 4; Luke 11: 1-4

Antiphon & Canticle



**Remember your pro-mise of mercy,  
to Abraham and his children for ever.**



- 1 **My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; •  
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.**
- 2 **From this day all generations will call me blessed; •  
the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name.**
- 3 **He has mercy on those who fear him, •  
from generation to generation.**
- 4 **He has shown strength with his arm •  
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,**
- 5 **Casting down the mighty from their thrones •  
and lifting up the lowly.**
- 6 **He has filled the hungry with good things •  
and sent the rich away empty.**
- 7 **He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, •  
to remember his promise of mercy,**
- 8 **The promise made to our ancestors, •  
to Abraham and his children for ever.**

*Luke 1.46-55*

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

*The antiphon is repeated*

# Thursday 11 October

*Ethelburga, Abbess of Barking, 675*

Responses *William Byrd (1539-1623)*

Office hymn *This, Christ's true handmaid (NEH 149ii)*

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Melody from La Feillée's  
*Méthode du plain-chant 1782*

A - - men.

**This, Christ's true handmaid, wholly to him given,  
Whom all the faithful now rejoice to honour,  
On this her feast day is with highest praises  
Greeted in heaven.**

**Filled with all virtues, pure of heart and humble,  
Prudent and steadfast, loving God in all things,  
Led by the Spirit, she obeyed her master  
While in this body.**

**Surely in answer to her prayers for sinners,  
Christ our redeemer will with deep compassion  
Look on our weakness, raise us up and heal us,  
Giving his blessing.**

**So now together, singing in her honour,  
Gladly we praise her, and her intercession  
With God our Father, that he may forgive us  
All our offences. Amen.**

*Words: Anon.*

Psalms

59 - 61

Readings

Hosea 6: 1-3; 2 Timothy 3: 10-17

Canticles

Evening Service in *F Michael Wise (1648-1687)*

Anthem

And the glory of the Lord

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Words: from Isaiah 40: 5

Music: George Frideric Handel (1685-1759) from 'Messiah'

## Friday 12 October

### Wilfrid of Ripon, Bishop, Missionary, 709

Responses

William Byrd

Office hymn

We praise those shepherds of the flock of Christ

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**We praise those shepherds of the flock of Christ  
who led it in the ways of truth and right,  
in time of evil and in darkest days,  
their faith and fortitude a steadfast light.**

**God sent his Spirit down upon his priests  
who offered sacrifice with hallowed hands,  
who poured out saving water, loosed from sin,  
and took their joyful news to all the lands.**

**They interceded for their people's sins,  
like Moses, lifting holy hands to pray;  
they are his priests for ever, who received  
the power that none on earth can take away.**

**O blessèd Trinity whom we adore,  
the hidden God through our Redeemer known,  
give constancy and courage to your Church  
till time into eternity has grown.**

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Psalms

62-64

Readings

Joel 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2

Canticles

The Short service Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Anthem

God be in my head

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking;  
God be at mine end, and at my departing.

*Words: Horae BVM (Sarum) 1514*

*Music: Herman Brearley (1876-1940)*

## **Saturday 13 October**

### **Edward the Confessor, King of England, 1066**

Psalms

69 - 70

Readings

Joel 3: 12 - end; Luke 11: 27 - 28

Antiphon & Canticle

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