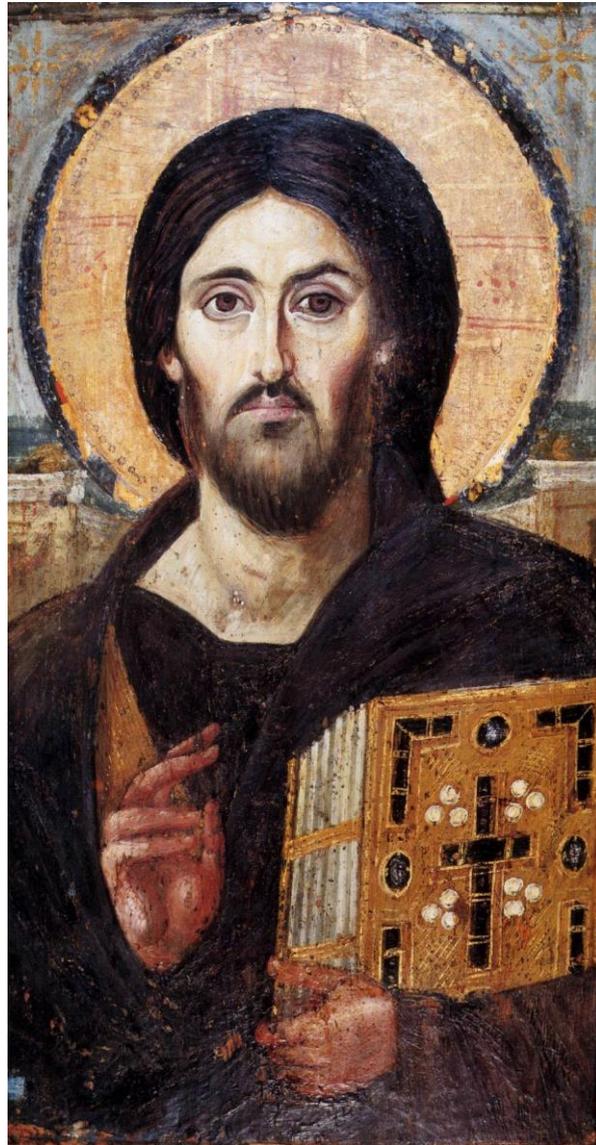


The Parish and Ward Church of
St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate
in the City of London
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The oldest known icon of Christ Pantocrator, c.550, St Catharine's Monastery, Sinai

Choral Mass
in the week of **The Second Sunday before Advent**
Wednesday 18 November 2020 at 1.10 pm

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**Today we are using the Wednesday Choral Mass book –
if you are following the livestream, you will find a copy to
download or follow on the website.**

Setting: Messe pour deux voix égales—Charles Gounod 1818-93

Opening Hymn: NEH 349

Come, let us join our cheerful songs
With angels round the throne;
Ten thousand thousand are their tongues,
But all their joys are one.
'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry,
'To be exalted thus';
'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply,
'For he was slain for us.'
Jesus is worthy to receive
Honour and power divine;
And blessings more than we can give,
Be, Lord, for ever thine.
Let all creation join in one
To bless the sacred name
Of him that sits upon the throne,
And to adore the Lamb.

Kyrie eleison: see the Mass book for translation of the Greek text

First Lesson: Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-end

Gospel Acclamation

*The refrain is sung first by the Cantor **and then by all:***

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Lle-lú-ia, * alle-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia.

This verse is sung by the Cantor:

When the Son of man is seated on the throne of his glory, you will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

and the refrain is then repeated by all

Gospel: S Matthew 25: 14-30

Offertory Hymn: Take my life, and let it be (tune 'Nottingham')

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and purposeful for thee.

Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee;
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.

Sanctus, Benedictus qui venit, and Agnus Dei:
see the Mass book for translation of the Latin texts

Anthem during Communion:

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and there shall no torment touch them.

Wisdom 3: 1

James Nares (1715–1783)

Closing Hymn: NEH 413

Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Organ music: Voluntary in E minor—John Stanley 1712-86

FORTHCOMING SERVICES & NOTICES

Can you help us financially?

Earlier this year, St Botolph's was completely closed for three months, and we are now in a further period of lockdown. Even though the church remains open for part of the day, our regular income continues to take rather a hit, with the loss of service collections and alms boxes, as well as other normal income streams including Hall and Court hire. If you are someone who usually gives via the collection basket, and are not in financially difficult circumstances at present, might you consider giving by **standing order or direct debit?** Contact the Administrator at church@botolph.org.uk for details.

One-off donations by PayPal via the link on the front page of our website www.botolph.org.uk would also be most welcome.

St Botolph's is also now registered at **Amazon Smile** as a beneficiary charity – this is a simple automatic way for you to support us (at no extra cost to you or to us) when shopping online.

More information at <https://smile.amazon.co.uk>

Church opening and service times

In light of the Government's decision to reimpose a form of lockdown in England, we have had to revise the form of church services we can offer.

With regret, until further notice, and at least until 2 December, we will be unable to celebrate public services in the church, and we are streaming services online only. We will have our 1.10 pm

Said Mass on Tuesday and our full Choral Mass with sermon on

Wednesday at 1.10 pm - both can be accessed as live streams or recordings via the church website or directly at

www.youtube.com/channel/UCC3oLzGDnpw6XHVGJi2A9_A/videos?view=2&flow=grid&view_as=subscriber

The church will remain open for private prayer and as a place of sanctuary from 12-3.00pm each weekday, except when Mass is being celebrated.

Tomorrow, Thursday 19 November: no service

Next Tuesday, 24 November: Mass at 1.10 pm (livestreamed)

Next Wednesday, 25 November: *of The Solemnity of Christ the King*
Choral Mass at 1.10 pm (livestreamed)

Orgelsolomesse, K 259 *Mozart*; Above all praise and majesty *Mendelssohn*;
Plein jeu Couperin

Next Thursday, 26 November: no service

Looking ahead to Advent and Christmas: keep an eye on notices and the website for information about Advent and Christmas services starting on Wednesday 2 December with our traditional Advent Carol Service