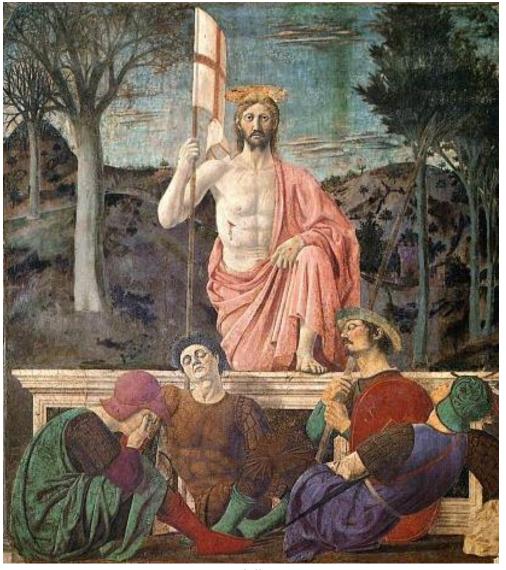


# The Parish and Ward Church of St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate in the City of London EC2M 3TL



Piero della Francesca, c. 1465, Museo Civico di Sansepolcro

### **Choral Mass**

in the week of The Sixth Sunday of Easter Wednesday 12 May 2021 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 of the Mass:**

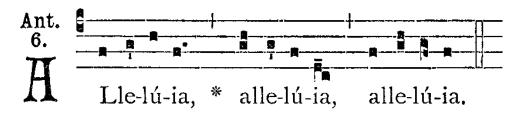
Messe pour deux voix égales—Cécile Chaminade 1857-1944

Gloria in excelsis: see the Mass book for translation of the Latin text

First Lesson: Acts 10: 44-end

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

The refrain is sung first by the Cantor and then by the Choir:



This verse is sung by the Cantor:

A little while and you will no longer see me, says the Lord, and again a little while and you will see me.

and the refrain is then repeated by the Choir

**Gospel:** S John 15: 9-17

Offertory Hymn: NEH 106 (tune 219)

At this time a collection would normally be taken up – this is not possible during services at present, but if you would like to consider making a donation please see the back page of this booklet for ways to do so safely after the service. As is our custom, all donations made in church in this Christian Aid Week will be sent to the charity for their work towards bringing an end to poverty around the world.

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain
Of triumphant gladness!
God hath brought his Israel
Into joy from sadness:
Loosed from Pharoah's bitter yoke
Jacob's sons and daughters;
Led them with unmoistened foot
Through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls today:
Christ hath burst his prison,
And from three days' sleep in death
As a sun hath risen;
All the winter of our sins,
Long and dark, is flying
From his light, to whom we give
Laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright With the day of splendour, With the royal feast of feasts, Comes its joy to render; Comes to glad Jerusalem, Who with true affection Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesu's Resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, Nor the tomb's dark portal, Nor the watchers, nor the seal Hold thee as a mortal: But today amidst thine own Thou didst stand, bestowing That thy peace which evermore Passeth human knowing.

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

#### **Anthem during Communion:**

Herr Gott Vater, mein starker Held! Du hast mich ewig vor der Welt In deinem Sohn geliebet. Dein Sohn hat mich ihm selbst vertraut, Er ist mein Schatz, ich bin sein Braut, Sehr hoch in ihm erfreuet. Eia! Eia!

Himmlisch Leben wird er geben mir dort oben; Ewig soll mein Herz ihn loben.

Lord God, Father, my mighty champion! Thou hast loved me in thy Son before the world began. Thy Son has betrothed me to himself: he is my beloved and I am his bride and highly delighted in him. Eia! Eia! He shall grant me heavenly life above, and my heart shall ever praise him.

Philipp Nicolai 1556-1608

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750 (from Cantata 37, BWV 37, for Ascension Day)

Closing Hymn: NEH 119 (verses 1-3) Finita jam sunt proelia

The strife is o'er, the battle done; Now is the Victor's triumph won; O let the song of praise be sung. Alleluya!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst, And Jesus hath his foes dispersed; Let shouts of praise and joy outburst. Alleluya!

On the third morn he rose again Glorious in majesty to reign; O let us swell the joyful strain. Alleluya!

#### **Organ music:**

Erstanden ist der heil'ge Christ, BWV 628-Johann Sebastian Bach

#### FORTHCOMING SERVICES & NOTICES

#### **Lent donations - thank you**

A huge thank you to all who gave so generously to our Lent Appeal. We have been able to send a total of £800 to support of the work of the Priest Missioner at our partner church of St Francis at the Engine Room, Tottenham Hale.

#### **Church opening and service times**

In line with current guidance, the church will remain open for public worship and private prayer during the current period of lockdown, continuing to maintain God's physical presence in the City of London. We continue to open the church from 10.00 am to 3.00pm from Monday to Friday. We maintain the existing pattern of three lunchtime services per week: Choral Mass with sermon on Wednesdays at 1.10 pm, and said Masses on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1.10 pm. All services can be attended either in church or via livestream on our YouTube channel (accessible from the home page of the church website). We would particularly discourage people from attending church in person if they are travelling a distance, using public transport, or feel vulnerable in any way.

**Tomorrow, Thursday 13 May – Ascension of Our Lord:** Choral Mass at 1.10 pm Missa 'Ascendens Christus in altum' *Victoria*; Ascendit Deus *Philips*; Heut' triumphieret Gottes Sohn, BWV 630 *Bach* 



From Ascension Day to Pentecost St Botolph's will be joining in the Global Week of Prayer 'Thy Kingdom Come' – more information at https://www.thykingdomcome.global

Next Tuesday, 18 May: Mass at 1.10 pm

**Next Wednesday, 19 May:** Choral Mass at 1.10 pm Messe à deux voix égales *Gounod*; Komm, laß mich nicht länger warter, BWV 172 *Bach*; Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist, BWV 631 *Bach* 

Next Thursday, 20 May: Mass at 12.10 pm (please note change of time)

#### This service is followed by the Annual Meetings.

If you are in church today, see the separate sheet enclosed with this order of service for more information about the Meetings. If you are following the livestream you will find the information on the final page of this order of service.

#### Can you help us financially?

Our regular income continues to take rather a hit during the ongoing lockdown period, with the loss of regular and special service collections and alms box donations, as well as other normal income streams including Hall and Court hire. If you are in a position to give St Botolph's any financial support at this time, perhaps you might consider giving by standing order or direct debit, or a one-off donation? The Administrator can help with any queries (<a href="mailto:church@botolph.org.uk">church@botolph.org.uk</a>).

- **Cash donations** may be placed in the alms boxes, or handed to a member of staff at any time. If you are a UK taxpayer please complete a Gift Aid envelope so we can claim back a further 25% from HMRC.
- Card/contactless donations can be made at any time via the device on the table at the back of church, and can be Gift Aided.
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#### **NEW ELECTORAL ROLL AND ANNUAL MEETINGS**

#### St Botolph's Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll closed for its annual revision on 4 May and the new Roll is now displayed on the noticeboard by the Bishopsgate entrance until the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Thursday 20 May. The Roll will be open again for new applications following that meeting.

#### **Annual Meetings**

The Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place next **Thursday 20 May at 12.45 pm**. It had been hoped that the meetings could be held in a hybrid form, with members of the Electoral Roll able to attend either in person in church or by Zoom, but **it has now been decided that they will take place entirely by Zoom**. Fr David and the Churchwardens very much hope that as many as possible of our regular 'family' will wish to hear reports both of what has happened during the past year at St Botolph's and also of our future projects.

We would ask you please to indicate your intention to attend, so we know who to expect in the Zoom meeting. If you are not able to join the meeting by video it should be possible to arrange for you to join by telephone – please let me know at <a href="mailto:church@botolph.org.uk">church@botolph.org.uk</a> if you wish to attend the Meetings, and if you need assistance joining by phone.

Before the meetings there will be a short said service of **Holy Communion in church at 12.10 pm**, which those joining the Annual Meetings can follow by livestream.

At the **Vestry Meeting** we appoint our Churchwardens for the forthcoming year. Residents of the parish on the electoral register are eligible to attend this meeting in addition to members of the congregation.

Candidates for the post of Churchwarden must be over 21, on the Electoral Roll, and actual communicant members of the Church of England.

Nominations must be proposed and seconded, and candidates must indicate their willingness to stand.

This will be followed by the **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**, at which we elect members of our Parochial Church Council (PCC) and appoint Sidesmen, and receive from the Parochial Church Council the Accounts and Annual Reports.

Candidates for election to the PCC must have been on the Electoral Roll for at least six months, and be actual communicant members of the Church of England.

There is also a brief meeting of the newly-elected **Parochial Church Council** immediately after these two meetings.