



The Parish and Ward Church of  
St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate  
in the City of London  
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*Ecce Agnus Dei, Dieric Bouts 1462-64 (Alte Pinakothek, Munich)*

# Choral Mass

*in the week of*

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

*and in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*

**Wednesday 18 January 2023**

**at 1.10 pm**

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*St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate - a place of calm, sanctuary and God's love in the City*

**Welcome to St Botolph-without-Bishopgate.**

*Fr David is away – in his absence we welcome as celebrant  
Fr Brian Lewis.*

**Mass setting:** Missa secunda—Hans Leo Hassler 1564-1612

**Opening Hymn:** NEH 55 (verses 1-3)

Hail to the Lord's Anointed!  
Great David's greater Son;  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
His reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
To set the captive free;  
To take away transgression,  
And rule in equity.

He comes with succour speedy  
To those who suffer wrong;  
To help the poor and needy,  
And bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighing,  
Their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying,  
Were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth;  
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,  
Spring in his path to birth:  
Before him on the mountains  
Shall peace the herald go;  
And righteousness in fountains  
From hill to valley flow.

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

**First Lesson:** Isaiah 49: 1-7

**Gradual:** NEH 27 (verse 1)

How brightly shines the morning star!  
With grace and truth from heav'n afar  
Our Jesse tree now bloweth.  
Of Jacob's stem and David's line,  
For thee, my Bridegroom, King divine,

My soul with love o'erfloweth.  
Thy word, Jesu, inly feeds us,  
Rightly leads us, life bestowing,  
Praise, O praise such love  
o'erflowing.

**Gospel Acclamation**

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

*This verse is sung by the Cantor:*

Among you stands one whom you do not know, said John;  
the one who is coming after me.

**and the refrain is then repeated by all**

**Gospel:** S John 1: 29-42

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Lle-lú-ia, \* alle-lú-ia, alle-lú-ia.

*During the singing of the Offertory Hymn a collection will be taken up for Christ's work in this place. If you are a UK taxpayer please complete a Gift Aid envelope. We are also able to accept contactless payments – if you prefer to donate by this method please use the device on the table at the back of church or the QR code on the back of this service sheet.*

**Offertory Hymn:** NEH 56 (verses 1-3, 5)

Just as I am, without one plea,  
But that thy blood was shed for me,  
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt;  
Fightings within, and fears without,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need, in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive;  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,  
Because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am (thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down);  
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love  
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
Here for a season, then above,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

***Sanctus, Benedictus qui venit, & Agnus Dei:*** see the Mass book

**Anthem during Communion:**

Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world.

*John 1:29*

*George Frideric Handel 1685-1759 (from Messiah)*

**Closing Hymn:** NEH 55 (verses 4-5)

Kings shall fall down before him,  
And gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore him,  
His praise all people sing;  
To him shall prayer unceasing  
And daily vows ascend;  
His kingdom still increasing,  
A kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious,  
He on his throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious,  
All-blessing and all-blest:  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand for ever,  
That name to us is Love.

**Organ music:** Fuga in B flat—George Frideric Handel

**FORTHCOMING SERVICES & NOTICES**

**Fr David** sustained an injury to his right foot in late December. Unfortunately, this has not healed as anticipated and has required minor surgery at St Thomas's Hospital; he is currently awaiting a date for a further operation. He is at home and in good spirits, but is quite immobile and has been told that his foot needs total rest for a few weeks.

## Church opening and service times

The church is open for public worship and private prayer every Monday to Friday 7.30 am to 5.30 pm, continuing to maintain God's physical presence in the City of London. Our current service pattern is:

Choral Mass with sermon on Wednesdays at 1.10 pm, and Said Masses on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12.10 pm. **With regret, while Fr David is away from church the 8.10 am Mass on Tuesdays is suspended.**

**Tomorrow, Thursday 19 January:** Mass at 12.10 pm

**Next Tuesday, 24 January:** Mass at 12.10 pm

**Next Wednesday, 25 January:** Choral Mass at 1.10 pm

Messe à deux voix égales *Gounod*; How lovely are the messengers *Mendelssohn*; Allegro maestoso e vivace (Sonata No 2) *Mendelssohn*

**Next Thursday, 26 January:** Mass at 12.10 pm

## Can you help us financially?

Our regular income continues to be depressed owing to the knock-on effects of Covid, with a reduction in our normal income streams including Hall and Court hire, service collections and alms donations as fewer people are working in and visiting the City of London. If you are in a position to give St Botolph's any financial support at this time:

- **Cash donations** (outside service times) 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, **or this QR code**, and can be Gift Aided.
- **Credit card donations** can be made via the link on our website, and can be Gift Aided.



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## The Good Coffee Kiosk



Another way of supporting St Botolph's is by buying your hot drinks from the Bishopsgate entrance of the church: all the drinks are Fairtrade, and our barista José will give you a warm welcome and a loyalty card!

Opening hours Monday to Friday 7.00 am-2.00 pm.

## Monthly newsletter

If you would like to receive our monthly email newsletter it and we don't have your contact details, let us know either by completing the subscription form on the website or by emailing the Administrator at [church@botolph.org.uk](mailto:church@botolph.org.uk).

See our website [www.botolph.org.uk](http://www.botolph.org.uk) for more information about services and events and the latest news, including details of our exciting plans for a new organ for St Botolph's. **Preliminary work on this project includes the dismantling of the existing pipe organ, and this is due to start next Monday 23 January – look out for more information in next week's notices and in the February newsletter.**