

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



S Mark the Evangelist, Book of Hours of Geoffroy Tory, 1531

# Choral Mass of S Mark, Apostle & Evangelist [25 April] Wednesday 26 April 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-Bishopsgate

We welcome as celebrant and preacher Fr Andrew Williams, Vicar of our partner church St Francis at the Engine Room, Tottenham Hale, and our Priest Missioner

*S Mark being the patron saint of Venice, the choral and organ music at today's service is all by composers associated with the Basilica di San Marco in that city* 

Setting of the Mass: Messa a 4—Claudio Monteverdi 1567-1643

**Opening Hymn:** NEH 163 (verses 1, 2, 4, 5; tune 128 (ii))

The Saint who first found grace to pen The life which was the Life of men, And shed abroad the Gospel's ray, His fame we celebrate today. Lo, drawn by Pentecostal fire, His heart conceived its great desire, When pure of mind, inspired, he heard And with his hand set forth the Word.

O holy mind, for wisdom fit Wherein that Life of lives stood writ, May we through minds of like accord Show forth the pattern of our Lord. And so may all whose minds are dark Be led to truth by good Saint Mark, And after this our earthly strife Stand written in the Book of Life. Amen.

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

First Lesson: Proverbs 15: 28-end

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

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



This verse is sung by the Cantor:

Remember the commandment of the Lord and Saviour spoken through your apostles.

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

Gospel: S Mark 13: 5-13

**Intercessions** today will include a focus on the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bishopsgate Bomb – *see separate sheet for more information* 

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 at the back of church or the QR code on the table next to it.

#### Offertory Hymn: NEH 486

We have a gospel to proclaim, Good news for all throughout the earth, The gospel of a Saviour's name: We sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem, Not in a royal house or hall, But in a stable dark and dim: The Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary, Hated by those he came to save, In lonely suffering on the cross: For all he loved, his life he gave. Tell of that glorious Easter morn, Empty the tomb, for he was free: He broke the power of death and hell That we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand, By all creation glorified; He sends his Spirit on his Church To live for him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name him King: Jesus is Lord of all the earth. This gospel message we proclaim; We sing his glory, tell his worth.

#### Sanctus, Benedictus qui venit, and Agnus Dei:

see the Mass book for translation of the Latin texts

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

Cantate Domino canticum novum: cantate Domino omnis terra. Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini ejus: annuntiate de die in diem salutare ejus.

O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth. Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Psalm 96: 1-2

Giovanni Croce 1557-1609

#### Closing Hymn: NEH 231 (verses 1, 3)

Who are these, like stars appearing, These before God's throne who stand? Each a golden crown is wearing; Who are all this glorious band? Alleluya, hark! they sing, Praising loud their heavenly King. These are they who have contended For their Saviour's honour long, Wrestling on till life was ended, Following not the sinful throng; These, who well the fight sustained, Triumph through the Lamb have gained.

Organ music: Ricercare—Giovanni Gabrieli c 1554-1612

#### FORTHCOMING SERVICES & NOTICES

#### **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 normal service pattern is:

Tuesdays - Said Masses at 8.10 am and 12.10 pm

Wednesdays - Choral Mass with sermon at 1.10 pm

Thursdays – Said Mass at 12.10 pm

All the lunchtime services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel (accessible from the church website www.botolph.org.uk).

### Tomorrow, Thursday 27 April: Mass at 12.10 pm

**This Saturday, 29 April:** please pray for Graham Kidd, a member of the St Botolph's congregation, and his fiancée Maria Mann, who are to be married today at St Laurence, Upminster

Next Tuesday, 2 May: Masses at 8.10 am and 12.10 pm

#### Next Wednesday, 3 May: Choral Mass at 1.10 pm including Coronation prayers and music

Communion Service in C *Ireland*; I was glad *Purcell*; Te Deum in C *Boyce*; Trumpet Tune *Purcell* 



Next Thursday, 4 May: 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. 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? You will find more information about ways of supporting us on the website at <u>https://botolph.org.uk/support-us/</u>, and the Administrator can help with queries (<u>church@botolph.org.uk</u>).

## The Good Coffee Kiosk



Another way of supporting St Botolph's could be by buying your hot drinks from the kiosk in 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.