

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



The Transfiguration, Fra Angelico, Convento di San Marco, Florence

Choral Mass

of The Transfiguration of Our Lord [6 August] Wednesday 7 August 2024 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 today Fr Toby Thomas, Mission Enabler for Hackney and Islington, and good friend of St Botolph's

Setting of the Mass:

Missa brevis in D, K 194—Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart 1756-91

Opening Hymn: NEH 234 (second tune)

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ the true, the only light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, Triumph o'er the shades of night; Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
Till thy mercy's beams I see;
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiancy divine;
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

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

First Lesson: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

Gospel Acclamation

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



This verse is sung by the Cantor:

This is my beloved Son, with him I am well pleased; listen to him.

and the refrain is then repeated by all

Gospel: S Luke 9: 28-36

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. If you prefer to make a contactless donation please use one of the devices at the front or back of church or the QR code on the back of this service sheet.

Offertory Hymn: NEH 178

'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Thy glory fills the night;
Thy face and garments, like the sun, shine with unborrowed light.
'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Thy beauty to behold
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Thy messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past,
Promise of things to be,
We hail thy Body glorified,
And our redemption see.
Before we taste of death,
We see thy kingdom come;
We fain would hold the vision bright,
And make this hill our home.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
But since thou bidst us leave the mount
Come with us to the plain.

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

Anthem during Communion:

Christus Jesus splendor Patris, et figura substantiae eius, portans omnia verbo virtutis suae purgationem peccatorum faciens, in monte excelso gloriosus apparere dignatus est.

Jesus Christ, radiant light of the Father, and the exact representation of his person, upholding all things by the Word of his power, as he was purging our sins, deigned to manifest his glory upon a high mountain.

Motet for the Feast of the Transfiguration

Luca Marenzio 1553-99

Closing Hymn: NEH 377 (verses 1, 2, 4)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render: O help us to see

'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Organ music: Prelude on 'St Denio'—Percy Whitlock 1903-46

All are warmly invited to join us for refreshments following the service

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 Choral Masses are livestreamed on our YouTube channel (accessible from the church website www.botolph.org.uk).

Tomorrow, Thursday 8 August: Mass at 12.10 pm

Next Tuesday, 13 August: Masses at 8.10 am and 12.10 pm

Next Wednesday, 14 August:

Choral Mass of The Assumption of the BVM at 1.10 pm

Messe brève *Delibes;* Maria Mater gratiae *Fauré* Ave maris stella *De Grigny*

Next Thursday, 15 August: Mass at 12.10 pm

The Good Coffee Kiosk has re-opened!

The Kiosk opened again on Monday 22 July – opening times Monday to Thursday 7.30am to 3.30pm

Come and meet our new barista Ollie! The look of the kiosk and barista may have changed, but the name stays the same and we will still be serving Good Coffee (and now sweet treats) with all profits going to Good Causes. Please pass on the news and come with your friends to help make this kiosk the go-to place for drinks and snacks on Bishopsgate!

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 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 https://botolph.org.uk/support-us/, and the Administrator can help with queries (church@botolph.org.uk).

- **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.
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