

**All Saint's Day**  
1st November 2020



The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

The righteous will be remembered forever: the  
memory of the righteous is a blessing.  
*Psalms 112 v 6, Proverbs 10 v 7*

Beloved in Christ, we come together to offer to Almighty God our  
worship and praise and thanksgiving, to confess our sins and to  
receive God's forgiveness, to hear his holy word proclaimed, to  
bring before him our needs and the needs of the world, and to pray  
that in the power of his Spirit we may serve him and know the  
greatness of his love.

Let us confess our sins to God our Father. Kneel.  
Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also  
lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to  
Jesus in penitence and faith. *Hebrews 12 verse 1*

Silence is kept.

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:  
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation:  
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of  
your kingdom:  
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that  
we may be cleansed from our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen  
you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Proclaiming and Receiving the Word - We Stand

O Lord, open our lips

**and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**

God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Praise the Lord.

**The Lord's name be praised.**

## Psalm 34 verses 1-10

I will bless the Lord at all times;

**his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

**let the humble hear and be glad.**

O magnify the Lord with me,

**and let us exalt his name together.**

I sought the Lord, and he answered me,

**and delivered me from all my fears.**

Look to him, and be radiant;

**so your\* faces shall never be ashamed.**

This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord,

**and was saved from every trouble.**

The angel of the Lord encamps

**around those who fear him, and delivers them.**

O taste and see that the Lord is good;

**happy are those who take refuge in him.**

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones,

**for those who fear him have no want.**

The young lions suffer want and hunger,

**but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.**

## The First lesson : 1 John 3 verses 1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's

children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

The Cantic : Te Deum Part 1

We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as the Lord;  
**all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.**

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of · your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you;

**the noble fellowship of prophets praise you.**

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you;

**throughout the world, the holy Church acclaims you:**

Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all praise,

**the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

The Second Lesson: Matthew 5 verses 1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

‘Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and

be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Sermon - The Reverend Jim Bates (in Church)  
or Canon Michael Parker (Online)

The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us pray - we kneel together

Lord, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, save the Queen  
**and grant her government wisdom.**

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness  
**and let your servants shout for joy.**

O Lord, save your people  
**and bless those whom you have chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord,  
**and let your glory be over all the earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us  
**and renew us by your Holy Spirit.**

*The Collect for All Saint's Day*

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints:  
Grant to us the same faith and power of love,  
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,  
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everliving God,  
we give you thanks for bringing us safely to this day:  
Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger,  
and in all things guide us to know and do your will;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

**Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious  
favour,  
and further us with your continual help;  
that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you,  
we may glorify your holy name,  
and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

Hymn

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy

## Hear our prayer

*As we close our prayers we keep silence.*

Let us bless the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

To God, who by the power at work within us, is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Ephesians 3: 20*

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## Parish Notices

For folks at home. Google St Gall's Church to find our parish website. Put 'St Gall's Church' into YouTube and 'Like' and 'Subscribe' to the St Gall's channel.



**Our Church Office** has reopened with three volunteers answering the phone - our thanks to Nanette, Mary and Helen for taking on this key role. Open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 until 12 noon. Our office ministry in the coming weeks will be about reaching out and getting in touch by phone. Would you like a chat? Give us a ring on 91853810. Would you like someone to be prayed for? Is there someone in your family who is ill or in need of prayer? Get in touch with the office and the team will pray for them.

**Bangor Storehouse** : Please continue to support our local food bank by placing donations in the big green boxes. Our thanks to Bertie and Anne Thompson who take our donations to the food bank.

**Christian Aid:** An appeal is ongoing to respond to the needs of overseas communities struggling with Covid 19. Aid agencies are working with partners to provide basic medical care & support - [www.christianaid.ie](http://www.christianaid.ie) to give directly. Or you can ring 9064 8133 to make a donation to the Belfast office.

**Prayer for this Week**

O heavenly Father,  
Who has bestowed upon us the comfort of earthly friends  
Look in love upon those dear to us from who we are separated.  
Protect them from and keep them from harm  
Prosper and bless them in all good things  
Suffer them never to be desolate or afraid.  
And let no shadow come between them and us to divide our hearts  
But in your own good time  
May we renew the comfort of sight and sound  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.