



Rugby Choristers at Bilton Grange

CHAPEL SERVICES AND MUSIC

Rugby School Chapel

Bilton Grange School Chapel

Advent Term 2024



RUGBY SCHOOL

Rugby School Chapels

The building was designed by the gothic revival Architect, William Butterfield in 1875 and the interior remains as it was constructed. The smaller Memorial Chapel which is linked to the main chapel was built as a memorial to those who lost their lives from the Rugby School community in the First World War. It was designed by Sir Charles Nicholson of School House (brother of Sir Sydney Nicholson, also School House, composer and sometime organist of Westminster Abbey, founder of the Royal School of Church Music) and consecrated in 1922.

The main Rugby School Chapel contains an organ by the firm Kenneth Jones and Associates of Bray, Ireland which was built in 2001 with additions and improvements by Nicholson Organ Builders of Worcester. It is a four manual instrument comprising fifty-four stops.

The Memorial Chapel contains an organ by Harrison and Harrison of Durham built in 1923. It is a two manual instrument of six stops.

Bilton Grange School Chapel

The mansion which forms the main school was built in 1846 attached to an existing farmhouse and was a private family home. It was designed by the eminent designer and architect Augustus Welby Pugin for Captain Washington Hibbert and is a Grade II* listed building. The first pupils were brought to the house by The Reverend Walter Earle in 1887. The brewhouse was converted into the school chapel in 1889 and classrooms were added in 1892.

The chapel contains an historic organ built by the London firm of Gray and Davison in 1892. The organ is a three manual instrument of nineteen stops and has been given an Historic Organ Certificate and listed as Grade II. It is in need of a major restoration!

Access to the Chapels for Services

Parents and visitors to services in Rugby School Chapel should enter the school via the Queen's Gate on Barby Road and the Chapel via either door on the north and south sides. The Memorial Chapel should be entered via the door on the left hand side of the chapel. Disabled parking only is available on 'The Porridge' close to the Chapel. Parents may park in Michell House car park in Little Church Street after 5.30pm and will be given the gate code.

Parents and visitors to services in Bilton Grange Chapel should enter the school via the School Reception at the North Entrance.



Evensong

The service of Evensong has been used in English churches for centuries and is unchanged for more than 300 years. It is designed to be a daily reminder and celebration of the Incarnation – the Christian belief that Almighty God became a human being to share our life and lead us back to the life of heaven with him. The service begins with sung responses and a selection from the psalms – ancient hymns of praise, petition, questioning and triumph. At the heart of the service are the two ‘canticles’: Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis. In the Magnificat, the choir sing the joyful words first uttered by a young girl, Mary, when she heard she was to be the mother of Jesus. The Nunc Dimittis is the song of an old man, Simeon, who had been promised that he would not die until he had seen God’s chosen King with his own eyes. When they placed the baby Jesus in his arms, that ancient servant of the Lord knew that he could depart in peace.

The service includes two readings from God’s word to us in the Bible, a declaration of our faith in the spoken words of the creed, and prayers for the world and for ourselves.

Over the centuries many of the world’s greatest musicians have composed pieces known as ‘settings’ for use at Evensong. Every day the same, but every day different, Choral Evensong is truly one of the Church’s treasures.

Rugby School Services

The whole school meets in chapel for morning prayers on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. On Sundays there is a more formal service with music sung by the Arnold Singers – a choir of pupils and staff. This service is followed by a short service of Holy Communion in the Memorial Chapel. Parents and visitors are welcome to join us for these Sunday services and for refreshments in School House afterwards.

The Arnold Singers sing the ancient monastic service of Compline on two evenings and the Temple Consort will also sing two Evensongs this term .

Rugby School Chapel Organ

This term we will be welcoming back the organ in Rugby School Chapel following some renovation work undertaken by Nicholson and Co. Organ Builders from Malvern. The organ suffered from some rain water damage last year and we are taking the opportunity, whilst repairs are carried out, to enhance the organ with some tonal improvements, including a new Tuba rank. Details can be found here: <https://www.nicholsonorgans.co.uk/pf/rugby/> The organ will be heard for the first time on Remembrance Sunday.

Chaplain

The Reverend Richard Horner

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The Readings for Choral Evensong in the Advent Term

This Advent Term we shall celebrate Choral Evensong in both Rugby School Chapels and Bilton Grange Chapel. We hope that, as last year, this will contribute to the richness of our school life.

It is customary at Choral Evensong to have two Bible readings: the first from the Old Testament and the second from the New Testament. This term we shall hear some of the important events and be introduced to some important figures in the history of Israel, from the Patriarch Abraham to the Fall of the Northern Kingdom in 722 BC, the Fall of the Southern Kingdom in 586 BC, and the Exile in Babylon. At the end of the Advent Term we listen to the prophets who told of the coming of a future Messiah. This will prepare us for the school carol services which are such a joyful time as we look forward to the birth of Jesus at Christmas.

The New Testament readings are taken from the Gospel of Mark, the shortest and earliest of the Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. We shall listen to stories about the healing and teaching ministry of Jesus.

There will be some days when the Church celebrates important Feast Days: Friday 13th September, Holy Cross Day; Monday 30th September, St Michael and All Angels; Thursday 17th October, Luke the Evangelist; Monday 11th November, Armistice Day; Friday 22nd November, St Cecilia. Friday 29th November, Andrew the Apostle. We shall keep these Feasts with the rest of the Church and use the special readings set for those days.

The Psalms at Evensong

One of the joys of Evensong is the singing of the psalms. These are a collection of 150 texts in the Old Testament which were attributed to King David but are now thought to be by various authors from the 9th to 5th Centuries BC. The Rugby Choristers at Bilton Grange aspire to singing the psalms appointed for each day in the Book of Common Prayer. During the learning process we have selected portions of psalms which we have appointed for each day across a four week cycle. The texts of these psalms are printed towards the end of this Service Booklet. All the psalms conclude with the Gloria:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

SEPTEMBER

Week 1

Trinity 14

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Monday 2
September

No Evensong

No Evensong

Tuesday 3
September

No Evensong

No Evensong

Thursday 5
September

No Evensong

Friday 6
September

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 8
September

Arnold Singers, Rugby School
Morning Service

10.00

Introit: Exsultate justi *Viadana*
Hymns: 179, 133, 192, National
Anthem

*Accession of
Charles III*

Anthem: I was glad *Parry*
Organ Voluntary: Toccata from Suite
Gothique *Boelmann*

Monday 9
September

No Evensong

No Evensong

Tuesday 10
September

*Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

No Evensong

Responses: *Rose*
Psalm: 23
Hymn: 56 O Holy Spirit, Lord of
grace
Canticles: *Dyson* in F
Anthem: If ye love me *Tallis*
Organ Voluntary: Allegro con brio
Sonata No.4 *Mendelssohn*

21.15

Arnold Singers, Rugby School
Compline

Anthem: Te lucis ante terminum
Tallis
Nunc dimittis: The Short Service
Gibbons
Salve Regina – Plainchant

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Thursday 12
September**

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

Responses: *Rose*

Psalm: 27

Hymn: 110 Father of heaven, whose
love profound

Canticles: *Stanford* in B flat

Anthem: Like as the hart *Howells*

Organ Voluntary: Psalm Prelude

Set 1, No 2 *Howells*

**Friday 13
September**

*Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

*First EP of
Holy Cross*

Introit: But as for us, it behoveth us to
glory in the Cross - Tone VII

Responses: *Rose*

Psalm: 32

Hymn: 36 When I survey the
wondrous cross

Canticles: *Noble* in B minor

Anthem: Crux Fidelis *John of Portugal*

Organ Voluntary: Da Jesus an dem

Kreuze stund BWV 621 *Bach*

SEPTEMBER

Week 3

Trinity 16

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 15
September

Arnold Singers, Rugby School
Morning Service

10.30

Introit: Locus iste *Bruckner*
Hymn: 80, 175, 81
Anthem: Cantique de Jean Racine
Fauré
Organ Voluntary: Benedict Tanner
XX (T) Fugue in A minor BWV 543
Bach

18.30

Stanford Celebration Evensong
The Guild of Church Musicians
Senior Boy & Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks
& Choral Scholars

Temple Consort, Rugby School
joined by the choirs of
All Saints', Northampton
St Mary's, Warwick
St Matthew's, Northampton

Introit: O for a closer walk with God
Stanford

Responses: *Rose*

Psalm: 150 *Stanford*

Hymn: For all the Saints who from
their labours rest

Canticles: *Stanford* in C

Anthem: For lo I raise up *Stanford*

Hymn: I bind unto myself the name

Organ Voluntary: Sonata Britannica
No.3 in D minor Hanover - Allegro

molto e ritmico *Stanford*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Monday 16
September**

*Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*
Responses: *Rose*
Psalm: 33
Hymn: 122 ii God of grace and God
of glory
Canticles: *Harwood* in A flat
Anthem: How beauteous are their
feet *Stanford*
Organ Voluntary: Scherzo in A flat
Bairstow

No Evensong

**Tuesday 17
September**

*Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*
Responses: *Rose*
Psalm: 34
Hymn: 91 Be thou my guardian
Canticles: *Sunsion* in A
Anthem: The Lord is my shepherd
Goodall
Organ Voluntary: A Fancy *Harris*

No Evensong

**Thursday 19
September**

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*
Responses: *Sanders*
Psalm: 27 & 28
Hymn: 58 Firmly I believe and truly
Canticles: *Daniel Purcell* in E minor
Anthem: Let all the world *Dyson*
Organ Voluntary: Exultemus (Seven
Sketches) *Whitlock*

**Friday 20
September**

No Evensong (Exeat)

SEPTEMBER Week 4 Trinity 17

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 22
September

No Morning Service (Exeat)

Monday 23
September

*Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars* *No Evensong*
Memorial Chapel
Responses: *Sanders*
Psalm: 48
Hymn: 101 City of God
Canticles: The Fifth Service,
Tomkins
Anthem: View me Lord *Lloyd*
Organ Voluntary: A Fantasy
Tomkins

Tuesday 24
September

Temple Consort, Rugby School *No Evensong*
Memorial Chapel
Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*
Psalm: 27
Hymn: 117 Glory to thee my God
this night
Canticles: *Murrill* in E
Anthem: Ave Maria *Bruckner*
Piano Voluntary: Leid ohne worte
No. 14 *Mendelssohn*

Thursday 26
September

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks &
Choral Scholars*
Memorial Chapel
Responses: *Sanders*
Psalm: 28 & 29
Hymn: 92 Be thou my vision
Canticles: *Humfrey* in E minor
Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord always
Purcell
Organ Voluntary: Double Fugue
IV *Roseingrave*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Friday 27
September**

*Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

Memorial Chapel

Responses: *Sanders*

Psalm: 59

Hymn: 96 Christ is our cornerstone

Canticles: The Sixth Service,

Weelkes

Anthem: God be in my head

Nicholson (OR)

Organ Voluntary: Meditation

Bridge

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00
BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 29
September
Arnold Singers, Rugby School
Morning Service
TSR

 Introit: O Salutaris Hostia *Wicks*
 Hymn: 136, 210, 213
 Anthem: Locus Iste *Sandy*

Monday 30
September
Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel
Michael & All
Angels

 Introit: O praise the Lord, all ye
 Angels - Tone VII
 Responses: *Sanders*
 Psalm: 60
 Hymn: 210 Ye holy angels bright
 Canticles: *Ireland* in F
 Anthem: We praise thee O God
Stanford
 Piano Voluntary: Prelude and
 Fugue in G major BWV 860 *Bach*
Boy Choristers

 Introit: O praise the Lord, all ye
 Angels - Tone VII
 Responses: Plainsong
 Psalm: 60
 Hymn: 210 Ye holy angels bright
 Magnificat: Plainsong - tonus
 peregrinus
 Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone VI
 Anthem: Watch thou dear Lord *Barry*
Rose

Tuesday 1
October
Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel

 Responses: *Sanders*
 Psalm: 61
 Hymn: 124 God that madest earth
 and heaven
 Canticles: The Fourth Service,
Batten
 Anthem: O taste and see *Vaughan*
Williams
Girl Choristers

 Introit:
 Responses: Plainsong
 Psalm: 61
 Hymn: 124 God that madest earth and
 heaven
 Magnificat: Plainsong - tone V
 Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone II
 Anthem: Light of the world *Dankworth*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Thursday 3
October**

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks &
Choral Scholars*
Memorial Chapel
Responses: *Sumsion*
Psalm: 78
Hymn: 62 Thou whose almighty
word
Magnificat: Primi Toni *Soriano*
Nunc dimittis: Tone III à4
Palestrina
Anthem: Be merciful unto me, O
God *Purcell*
Piano Voluntary: Alina Chen LXX
(St) Etude Op. 25 No. 2 in F minor
Chopin

**Friday 4
October**

*Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*
Memorial Chapel
Responses: *Sumsion*
Psalm: 130
Hymn: 193 The Church's one
foundation
Canticles: The Second Service, *Byrd*
Anthem: The Lord hath been
mindful of us *SS Wesley*
Piano Voluntary: Nanako Ueda XX
(D) Impromptu Op. 90 No.3
Schubert

OCTOBER

Week 6

Trinity 19

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 6
October

Arnold Singers, Rugby School
TSR

Introit: God be in my head *Moore*

Hymn: 187, 119, 85

Anthem: A New Song *Macmillan*

Monday 7
October

Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel

Responses: *Sumsion*

Psalm: 12

Hymn: 159 Lord thy word abideth

Canticles: *Brewer* in F

Anthem: O Lorde, the maker of al
thing *Joubert*

Organ Voluntary: Eventide *Brewer*

Boy Choristers

Responses: Plainsong

Psalm: 12

Hymn: 159 Lord thy word abideth

Magnificat: Plainsong - tonus

peregrinus

Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone VI

Anthem: Prevent us, O Lord *Holman*

Tuesday 8
October

Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel

Responses: *Sumsion*

Psalm: 23

Hymn: 181 Praise to the Holiest

Canticles: The Second Service,
Gibbons

Anthem: Lord for thy tender
mercies sake *Farrant*

Organ Voluntary: O Lamm Gottes
BWV 1095 *Bach*

Girl Choristers

Introit:

Responses: Plainsong

Psalm: 23

Hymn: 181 Praise to the Holiest

Magnificat: Plainsong - tone V

Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone II

Anthem: God be in my head *Barry*
Rose

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Thursday 10
October**

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks &
Choral Scholars*
Memorial Chapel
Responses: *Morley*
Psalm: 27, 28 & 29
Hymn: 102 Come let us join our
cheerful songs
Canticles: *Jackson* in G
Anthem: Call to remembrance
Farrant
Organ Voluntary: *A Fancy Byrd*

**Friday 11
October**

*Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*
Memorial Chapel
Responses: *Morley*
Psalm: 32
Hymn: 97 Christ is the world's true
light
Canticles: *Purcell* in G minor
Anthem: Thy word is a lantern
Purcell
Organ Voluntary: Voluntary in G
Purcell

OCTOBER

Week 7

Trinity 20

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 13
October

Arnold Singers, Rugby School
TSR

Introit: Justorum animae *Stanford*
Hymn: 156, 202, 167
Anthem: Beati quorum via *Stanford*
Organ Voluntary: Postlude in D
minor *Stanford*

Monday 14
October

Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel

Responses: *Morley*
Psalm: 33
Hymn: 108 Father hear the prayer
we offer
Canticles: King's College Service,
Joanna Forbes L'Estrange
Anthem: O Lord give thy Holy
Spirit *Tallis*
Piano Voluntary: Ryan Bradshaw
XX (I) Transcendental Etude:
Mazeppa Liszt

Boy Choristers

Responses: Plainsong
Psalm: 33
Hymn: 108 Father hear the prayer we
offer
Magnificat: Plainsong - tonus
peregrinus
Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone VI
Anthem: God of mercy, God of grace
Barry Rose

Tuesday 15
October

Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel

Responses: *Morley*
Psalm: 34
Hymn: 109 Father in heaven who
lovest all
Canticles: The Fourth Service,
Batten
Anthem: Ubi caritas *Gjeilo*
Piano Voluntary: Prelude and
Fugue in F BWV 880 *Bach*

Girl Choristers

Responses: Plainsong
Psalm: 34
Hymn: 109 Father in heaven who
lovest all
Magnificat: Plainsong - tone V
Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone II
Anthem: Jesus good above all other
Barry Rose

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Thursday 17
October**

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks &
Choral Scholars
Memorial Chapel*

*First EP of St
Luke the
Evangelist*

Introit: Right dear, O God, are thy
friends unto me - Tone VII
Responses: *Ebdon*
Psalm: 27, 28 & 29
Hymn: 199 Thine arm, O Lord
Canticles: Merton College Service,
Ešenovalds
Anthem: The Spirit of the Lord
Elgar
Piano Voluntary: Theme and
Variation I (Enigma Variations)
Elgar

**Friday 18
October**

No Evensong (Half Term)

Half Term

NOVEMBER

Week 8

All Saints, 4 before Advent

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 3
November

No Morning Service (Half Term)

Monday 4
November

*Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel*
Responses: *Ebdon*
Psalm: 48
Hymn: 64 Let saints on earth in
concert sing
Canticles: The Fifth Service
Tomkins
Anthem: Pray that Jerusalem may
have peace *Stanford*
Saxophone Voluntary: Louisa
Roberts LXX (S) Histoire: La
meneuse de tortues d'or *Ibert*

Boy Choristers
Responses: Plainsong
Psalm: 48
Hymn: 64 Let saints on earth in
concert sing
Magnificat: Plainsong - tonus
peregrinus
Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone VI
Anthem: Litany to the Holy Spirit
Hurford

Tuesday 5
November

*Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel*
Responses: *Ebdon*
Psalm: 49
Hymn: 213 Ye watchers and ye
holy ones
Canticles: The Second Service,
Gibbons
Anthem: Lead kindly light *Goodall*
Piano Voluntary: Benedict Tanner
XX (T) Prelude in G, Op. 32 No. 5
Rachmaninov

Girl Choristers
Responses: Plainsong
Psalm: 49
Hymn: 213 Ye watchers and ye holy
ones
Magnificat: Plainsong - tone V
Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone II
Anthem: I give you a new
commandment *Aston*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Thursday 7
November**

No Evensong (BG Advent Soirée)

**Friday 8
November**

*Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Memorial Chapel*

*Saints &
Martyrs of
England*

Responses: *Ebdon*
Psalm: 59
Hymn: 95 Christ is made the sure
foundation
Canticles: *Purcell* in G minor
Anthem: How beauteous are their
feet *Stanford*
Flute Voluntary: Audrey Hunter
LXX (D) Cantabile et Presto *Ernesto*

NOVEMBER

Week 9

3 before Advent

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Sunday 10
November**

*Rugby School Choir, Rugby School
Service of Remembrance*

Hymn: 170, 228, 225, 242

*Remembrance
Sunday*

Anthem: Greater Love *Ireland*

Libera me Domine *Fauré*

Old Hundredth *Vaughan Williams*

Organ Voluntary: Nimrod (Enigma
Variations) *Elgar*

**Monday 11
November**

*Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

Responses: *Ebdon*

Armistice Day

Psalm: 60

Hymn: 78 Abide with me

Canticles: *Denis Browne* in A (OR)

Anthem: Lighten our darkness
Stanford

Organ Voluntary: Solemn Prelude
Elgar

Boy Choristers

Responses: Plainsong

Psalm: 60

Hymn: 78 Abide with me

Magnificat: Plainsong - tonus
peregrinus

Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone VI

Anthem: Pie Jesu *Fauré*

21.00

Arnold Singers, Rugby School

Requiem *Sir John Rutter*

**Tuesday 12
November**

*Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

Responses: *Ebdon*

Psalm: 61

Hymn: 149 Lead us heavenly
Father

Canticles: *Watson* in E

Anthem: O God, thou art my God
Purcell

Organ Voluntary: Tuba Tune *Lang*

Girl Choristers

Responses: Plainsong

Psalm: 61

Hymn: 149 Lead us heavenly Father

Magnificat: Plainsong - tone V

Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone II

Anthem: Spirit of God *Barry Rose*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Thursday 14
November**

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks &
Choral Scholars*

Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*

Psalm: 78

Hymn: 196 The God of love my
shepherd is

Canticles: *Murrill* in E

Anthem: The Lord is my shepherd
Stanford

Organ Voluntary: Impromptu
Jackson

**Friday 15
November**

*Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*

Psalm: 130

Hymn: 130 How sweet the name of
Jesus sounds

Canticles: *Stanford* in A

Anthem: Save us, O Lord *Bairstow*

Organ Voluntary: Fugue (Fantasia
and Fugue in G) *Parry*

**Saturday 16
November**

Chorister Experience Day
*All Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*

16.00

Responses: Plainsong

Psalm: 33 (1-6)

Hymn: 92 Be thou my vision,
105 Dear Lord and Father of
mankind

Magnificat: Song of Mary *Shephard*

Nunc dimittis: *Stanford* in B flat

Anthem: The Lord is my shepherd
Goodall

Organ Voluntary: Tuba Tune
Cocker

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00
BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 17
November
10.30
Arnold Singers, Rugby School
Morning Service

Introit: Almighty Father, who dost
 give the gift of life *Marcus Beresford*
 Hymn: 92, 131, 177
 Anthem: Blessed City *Bairstow*
 Organ Voluntary: Jack McCallum
 E (C) Toccata *Mushel*

Monday 18
November
Girl Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars
Chapel

Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*
 Psalm: 12
 Hymn: 195 The God of Abraham
 praise
 Canticles: *Wood* in D
 Anthem: In thee is gladness
Stanford
 Organ Voluntary: Fanfare *Whitlock*

Boy Choristers

Responses: Plainsong
 Psalm: 12
 Hymn: 195 The God of Abraham
 praise
 Magnificat: Plainsong - tonus
 peregrinus
 Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone VI
 Anthem: A prayer of St. Ignatius of
 Loyola *Barry Rose*

Tuesday 19
November
Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars

Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*
 Psalm: 23
 Hymn: 184 Saviour again to thy
 dear name we raise
 Canticles: *Sumsion* in G
 Anthem: Let all the world *Dyson*
 Organ Voluntary: Final Op.27 No.7
Dupré

Girl Choristers

Responses: Plainsong
 Psalm: 23
 Hymn: 184 Saviour again to thy dear
 name we raise
 Magnificat: Plainsong - tone V
 Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone II
 Anthem: Lord be thy word my rule
Davy

21.15
Arnold Singers, Rugby School
Compline

Te lucis ante terminum Tallis
 In manus tuas Domine Byrd
 Nunc dimittis servum tuum Byrd
 Salve Regina Plainchant

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Thursday 21
November

No Evensong

Friday 22
November

St Cecilia

Temple Consort, Rugby School

Introit: Hymn to St Cecilia *Howells*

Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*

Psalm: 27, 28, 29

Hymn: 87 Angel voices ever
singing

Canticles: *Murrill* in E

Anthem: Great is the Lord *Elgar*

Organ Voluntary: Angel's Farewell
(Dream of Gerontius) *Elgar*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 24
November *No Morning Service (Exeat)*

Monday 25
November *No Evensong (RS Exeat)*

No Evensong (RS Exeat)

Christ the King

Tuesday 26
November *Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars*
Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*
Christ the King Psalm: 34
Hymn: CP 189 (ii) O King
enthroned
Canticles: Collegium Regale
Howells
Anthem: O God the King of Glory
Gibbons
Organ Voluntary: Joie et clarté (Les
corps Glorieux) *Messiaen*

Girl Choristers
Responses: Plainsong
Psalm: 34
Hymn: CP 189 (ii) O King enthroned
Magnificat: Plainsong - tone V
Nunc dimittis: Plainsong - tone II
Anthem: O God the King of Glory
Purcell

Thursday 28
November *Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks &
Choral Scholars*
Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*
Christ the King Psalm: 27, 28, 29
Hymn: 146 Judge eternal, throned
in splendour
Canticles: *Dyson* in D
Anthem: Let all the world *Vaughan
Williams*
Organ Voluntary: Choral Fantasia
on 'The Old Hundredth' *Parry*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Friday 29
November

*1st EP of
Andrew the
Apostle*

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks &
Choral Scholars*

in St Andrew's Church, Rugby

Introit: Right dear, O God, are thy
friends unto me - Tone VII

Responses: *Sasha Johnson Manning*

Psalm: 47

Hymn: A&M 324 Jesus calls us:

O'er the tumult

Canticles: *Murrill* in E

Anthem: Give us the wings of faith

Bullock

Organ Voluntary: Festival

Voluntary Op. 87 *Peeters*

DECEMBER

Week 12

Advent 1

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

Sunday 1
December

*Arnold Singers, Rugby School
Morning Service*

10.30

Introit: O Emmanuel *Ešenvalds*
Hymn: 6, 1, 5
Anthem: A spotless Rose *Howells*

Advent Sunday

Monday 2
December

*Senior Choristers, Lay Clerks & Choral
Scholars* *No Evensong*

Advent Carol Service

Hymns: Come thou redeemer
Hills of the North rejoice
Hark a clarion voice
Come, thou long expected Jesus
Lo he comes with clouds descending
O come, O come Emmanuel
Anthems: Matin Responsory
Palestrina
This is the truth arr. *Christopher
Robinson, OR*
People look East arr. *Barry Ferguson*
A tender shoot *Otto Goldschmidt*
A Hymn of St Columba *Britten*
This is the record of *John Gibbons*
Veni Domine Jesu *Andrew Simpson*
Magnificat Primi Toni *Soriano*
Sleepers, Wake! *Mendelssohn*
Vesper Responsory *Palestrina*
Organ Voluntary: Fugue in G minor
BWV 542 *Bach*

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Tuesday 3
December**

No Evensong

No Evensong

**Wednesday 4
December
18.30**

Carol Service for Old Rugbeians
All Saints, Margaret Street, London
Temple Consort, Rugby School

**Thursday 5
December**

No Evensong

**Friday 6
December**

No Evensong

DECEMBER

Week 13

Advent 2

RUGBY SCHOOL CHAPEL
Evensong at 18.00

BILTON GRANGE CHAPEL
Evensong at 17.30

**Sunday 8
December**

No choir, Hymns only
Morning Service
Hymn: 192, 3, 4

10.30

18.30

Carol Service for Visitors
Rugby School Choir

**Monday 9
December**

No Evensong

No Evensong

**Tuesday 10
December**

No Evensong

No Evensong

19.30

School Carol Service
Rugby School Choir

**Thursday 12
December**

Bilton Grange Carol Service
All Choristers & Lay Clerks
Bilton Grange Choirs

14.30

Readings from the Bible – Advent Term 2024

Lectionary compiled by Dame Mary Tanner

Week 2A – Trinity 15

Tuesday 10 September

- Old Testament: Genesis 12.1-9 *God calls Abram and promises to make him the father of a great nation.*
- New Testament: Mark 1.9-13 *The baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan*

Thursday 12 September

- Old Testament: Genesis 15. 1-6 and 18 – 21 *God makes a covenant with Abraham . Abraham will have many descendants. They will inherit a great land.*
- New Testament: Mark 1. 16 – 20 *Jesus calls disciples to follow him.*

Friday 13 September First EP of Holy Cross Day

- Old Testament: Isaiah 52. 13-15 *Isaiah describes the Servant who will be exalted and lifted up.*
- New Testament: John 3. 13 -17 *St John describes the Son of Man who will be lifted up.*

Sunday 15 September – Stanford Festival Evensong

- Old Testament: Isaiah 12.4 -6 *Both readings this evening speak of the importance of singing. The prophet Isaiah speaks of a future for Israel which will be filled with songs of praise and singing.*
- New Testament: Ephesians 5.18b – 20 *Paul tells the Christians at Ephesus to address one another in psalms and hymns and to sing with all their hearts to God.*

Week 3B – Trinity 16

Monday 16 September

- Old Testament: Genesis 37. 1-4 and 23 – 28 *Joseph, a bright 17- year- old young man, the son of Jacob, is sold into Egypt by his brothers who are jealous of him.*
- New Testament: Mark 1. 21 – 28 *Jesus begins his teaching and healing ministry. He teaches in the synagogue at Capernaum and heals a man with an unclean spirit.*

Tuesday 17 September

- Old Testament: Genesis 47. 1 – 12 *Joseph prospers in Egypt and comes to the attention of the Pharaoh. He brings Jacob his father and his brothers to join him.*
- New Testament: Mark 1.29 -39 *Jesus continues to heal the sick and attracts the attention of the crowds.*

Thursday 19 September

- Old Testament: Hosea 6. 15b–6.3 *The healing power of God*
- New Testament: Mark 1. 40-45 *Jesus has pity on a leper and heals him.*

Week 4C - Trinity 17

Monday 23 September

- Old Testament: Exodus 1. 8-14 *A new Pharaoh in Egypt didn't know Joseph and turned against the Israelites and put them to forced labour building store cities.*
- New Testament: Mark 2. 1-12 *Jesus continues his ministry of teaching and healing the sick.*

Tuesday 24 September (Temple Consort)

- Old Testament: Exodus 3. 1- 12 *God appears to Moses in the burning bush. God has seen the suffering of his people in Egypt*
- New Testament: Mark 2. 23-26 *The disciples pluck corn on the sabbath which leads to the Pharisees trying to entrap Jesus on the keeping of the sabbath day.*

Thursday 26 September

- Old Testament: Exodus 3. 13-22 *God reveals to Moses his name and his intention to lead the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and the role for Moses in God's plan.*
- New Testament: Mark 3. 7-19 *The crowds follow Jesus to see his healing. Jesus appoints 12 disciples.*

Friday 27 September - St Michael and All Angels

- Old Testament: Exodus 15. 1-12 *Moses leads Israel out of Egypt across the Red Sea and they sing a song to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance.*
- New Testament: Mark 4. 1-20 *Jesus teaches in parables. The parable of the Sower*

Week 5A - Trinity 18

Monday 30 September

- Old Testament: Genesis 28. 10-17 *Jacob dreams of angels ascending and descending on a ladder to and from heaven.*
- New Testament: John 1. 47-51 *Jesus says to Nathanael that he will see angels ascending and descending to heaven.*

Tuesday 1 October

- Old Testament: Exodus 20. 1-16 *Moses receives the 10 Commandments on Mount Sinai.*
- New Testament: Mark 4. 26-34 *Jesus teaches in more parables about the kingdom of God.*

Thursday 3 October

- Old Testament: Deuteronomy 34. 1-12 *Moses sees the Land God has promised from Mount Nebo but does not cross into the Promised Land.*
- New Testament: Mark 5. 21-34 *Jesus continues to heal the sick and greater and greater crowds of people come to see him.*

Friday 4 October

- Old Testament: Joshua 1. 1-9 *Joshua is the one who leads the people into the Promised Land.*
- New Testament: Mark 5. 35–end *Jesus heals the daughter of the ruler of the Synagogue, Jairus.*

Week 6B - Trinity 19

Monday 7 October

- Old Testament: 1 Samuel 3. 1-10 and 19–21 *The call of Samuel to be a prophet of the Lord.*
- New Testament: Mark 6. 6b-13 *Jesus continues to teach and sends out the twelve disciples to carry on his teaching and healing ministry.*

Tuesday 8 October

- Old Testament: 1 Samuel 8. 4–9 and 19–22a *The elders of Israel ask Samuel to appoint a king over them like the kings of other nations.*
- New Testament: Mark 6. 30-44 *The feeding of the five thousand.*

Thursday 10 October

- Old Testament: 1 Samuel 15. 10 and 11, and 16. 1 and 6–13 *Saul, Israel's first king, transgresses the commandments of the Lord and Samuel anoints the young shepherd boy, David, as king.*
- New Testament: Mark 6. 45-end *Jesus comes to his disciples walking on the water and stills the storm.*

Friday 11 October

- Old Testament: 2 Samuel 5. 1-5 *The elders of Israel make a covenant with David recognising him as prince over all Israel.*
- New Testament: Mark 7. 1-13 *The Pharisees question the way Jesus' disciples observe the sabbath day and Jesus reflects on sabbath day observance.*

Week 7C - Trinity 20

Monday 14 October

- Old Testament: 2 Samuel 5. 6-10 *David captures Jerusalem/Zion, the City of David*
- New Testament: Mark 7. 14-23 *Jesus continues to teach his disciples*

Tuesday 15 October

- Old Testament: Samuel 6. 12-19 *David brings the ark to Jerusalem with much rejoicing.*
- New Testament: Mark 7. 24–30 *Jesus continues his healing ministry and heals the Syro-Phoenician woman.*

Thursday 17 October – First EP of St Luke the Evangelist

- Old Testament: Ecclesiasticus 38. 1-8 *writer describes the work of a physician.*
- New Testament: Timothy 3. 10-end *Paul gives advice to those who would live a godly life to remember the sacred writings (which come to include those of St Luke the Evangelist) for all scripture is inspired by God.*

Week 8A – All Saints / 4 before Advent

Monday 4 November

- Old Testament: 1 Kings 2. 1-4 and 10-12 *David's last words to his son Solomon who takes over the kingship of Israel.*
- New Testament: Mark 7. 31-end *Jesus heals the one who is deaf and has a speech impediment.*

Tuesday 5 November

- Old Testament: 1 Kings 8. 12-21 *Solomon builds the Temple in Jerusalem.*
- New Testament: Mark 8. 1-9 *Jesus again feeds the crowd that has followed him.*

Thursday 7 November (No Evensong)

Friday 8 November

- Old Testament: 1 Kings 11. 26-39 *After king Solomon the kingdom is divided into North and South, Israel and Judah.*
- New Testament: Mark 8. 11-21 *The Pharisees argue with Jesus and the disciples still do not understand the feeding of the crowd.*

Week 9B – 3 before Advent

Monday 11 November – Armistice Day

- Old Testament: Isaiah 2. 1-5 *Isaiah looks to a time when many peoples would go up to Jerusalem and there would be peace among the nations.*
- New Testament: John 15. 9-17 *Jesus's commandment that we should love one another as he has loved us.*

Tuesday 12 November

- Old Testament: 2 Kings 25. 8-12 *The Fall of the Southern Kingdom Judah in 586 BC to Babylonia and some leaders and people taken captives are deported to Babylon.*
- New Testament: Mark 9. 14-29 *Jesus heals a deaf and dumb man.*

Thursday 14 November

- Old Testament: Ezekiel 39. 25-29 *The Prophet Ezekiel tells the Exiles in Babylon that God will lead them back to their own land and to Jerusalem.*
- New Testament: Mark 10. 17-22 *Jesus tells his disciples to care for the poor.*

Saturday 16 November (Chorister Experience Day)

- Old Testament: Isaiah 12. 4-6 *The prophet Isaiah tells the people that in the future they will give thanks to the Lord and shout and sing.*
- New Testament: Ephesians 5. 18b-20 *St Paul tells the Christians in Ephesus to sing and make melody with all their hearts.*

Week 10C - 2 before Advent

Monday 18 November

- Old Testament: Isaiah 7. 10-17 *The eighth century BC prophet, Isaiah, tells of a future child whose name will be Immanuel, 'God with us'.*
- New Testament: Mark 8.2 2-27 *Who is this Jesus who heals and teaches?*

Tuesday 19 November

- Old Testament: Isaiah 11. 1-9 *Isaiah foretells the future hope of Israel.*
- New Testament: Mark 8. 31-end *A hint of what lies ahead. The suffering of Jesus and its implications for those who follow Jesus.*

Thursday 21 November (No Evensong)

Friday 22 November (Temple Consort) - First EP St Cecilia

- Old Testament: Isaiah 42. 10-13 *The prophet Isaiah understands singing as the fitting response to God's acts of kindness to his people.*
- New Testament: Colossians 3. 12-17 *The writer of the Letter to the Colossians bids those who follow Jesus to sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in their hearts.*

Week 11D - Christ the King

Tuesday 26 November - Christ the King

- Old Testament: Jeremiah 23. 1-6 *The prophet Jeremiah foretells a future when the scattered Israelites will return to their homeland*
- New Testament: John 18. 33-37 *Pilate asks Jesus 'are you King of the Jews?' And Jesus replies 'My kingship is not of this world'.*

Thursday 28 November

- Old Testament: Micah 5. 2-4 *The prophet Micah looks for a saviour from Bethlehem.*
- New Testament: Mark 9. 2-13 *The Transfiguration: a clue to who Jesus is as he is seen standing with Moses and Elijah.*

Friday 29 November - First EP of Andrew the Apostle

- Old Testament: Isaiah 49. 1-9a *The call and vocation of the Servant, Israel.*
 - New Testament: Corinthians 4. 9-16 *Paul offers the Corinthians a portrait of what it means to be servants of Christ.*
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THE PSALMS

appointed for the Trinity Term 2024

Monday Week A

Psalm 12

Salvum me fac

1. HELP me, Lord, for there is not one godly man left:
for the faithful are minished from among the children of men,
2. They talk of vanity every one with his neighbour:
they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.
3. The Lord shall root out all deceitful lips:
and the tongue that speaketh proud things;
4. Which have said, With our tongue will we prevail:
we are they that ought to speak , who is lord over us?
5. Now for the comfortless trouble's sake of the needy:
and because of the deep sighing of the poor,
6. I will up, saith the Lord:
and will help every one from him that swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.
7. The words of the Lord are pure words:
even as the silver, which from the earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.
8. Thou shalt keep them, O Lord:
thou shalt preserve him from this generation for ever.
9. The ungodly walk on every side:
when they are exalted, the children of men are put to rebuke.

Tuesday Week A

Psalm 23

Dominus regit me

1. The Lord is my shepherd :
therefore can I lack nothing.
2. He shall feed me in a green pasture :
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
3. He shall convert my soul :
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
4. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil :
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
5. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me :
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
6. But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life :
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Thursday Week A

Psalm 27, 28 and 29

Dominus illuminatio

1. THE Lord is my light and my salvation ; whom then shall I fear:
the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
2. When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh:
they stumbled and fell.
3. Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid:
and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
4. One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require:
even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.
5. For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle:
yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me,
and set me up upon a rock of stone.

6. And now shall he lift up mine head:
above mine enemies round about me.
7. Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness:
I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.
8. Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee:
have mercy upon me, and hear me.
9. My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face:
Thy face, Lord, will I seek.
10. O hide not thou thy face from me:
nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.
11. Thou hast been my succour:
leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.
12. When my father and my mother forsake me:
the Lord taketh me up.
13. Teach me thy way, O Lord:
and lead me in the right way, because of mine enemies.
14. Deliver me not over into the will of mine adversaries:
for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong.
15. I should utterly have fainted:
but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.
16. O tarry thou the Lord's leisure: be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart;
and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

Psalm 28

Ad te, Domine

1. UNTO thee will I cry, O Lord my strength: think no scorn of me;
lest, if thou make as though thou hearest not,
I become like them that go down into the pit.
2. Hear the voice of my humble petitions, when I cry unto thee:
when I hold up my hands towards the mercy-seat of thy holy temple.
3. O pluck me not away, neither destroy me, with the ungodly and wicked doers:
which speak friendly to their neighbours, but imagine mischief in their hearts.

4. Reward them according to their deeds:
and according to the wickedness of their own inventions.
5. Recompense them after the work of their hands:
pay them that they have deserved.
6. For they regard not in their mind the works of the Lord, nor the operation of his hands:
therefore shall he break them down, and not build them up.
7. Praised be the Lord:
for he hath heard the voice of my humble petitions.
8. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart hath trusted in him, and I am helped:
therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him.
9. The Lord is my strength:
and he is the wholesome defence of his Anointed.
10. O save thy people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance:
feed them, and set them up for ever.

Psalm 29

Afferte Domino

1. BRING unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young rams unto the Lord:
ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.
2. Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name:
worship the Lord with holy worship.
3. It is the Lord that commandeth the waters:
it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.
4. It is the Lord that ruleth the sea; the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation:
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.
5. The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees:
yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus.
6. He maketh them also to skip like a calf:
Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.
7. The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness:
yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades.

8. The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young,
and discovereth the thick bushes:
in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.
9. The Lord sitteth above the water-flood:
and the Lord remaineth a King for ever.
10. The Lord shall give strength unto his people:
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Friday Week A

Psalm 32

Beati, quorum

1. BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven:
and whose sin is covered.
2. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin:
and in whose spirit there is no guile.
3. For while I held my tongue:
my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.
4. For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night:
and my moisture is like the drought in summer.
5. I will acknowledge my sin unto thee:
and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.
6. I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord:
and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.
7. For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou
mayest be found:
but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh him.
8. Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble:
thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.
9. I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go:
and I will guide thee with mine eye.
10. Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding:
whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

11. Great plagues remain for the ungodly:
but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.
12. Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord:
and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

Monday Week B

Psalm 33

Exultate, justi

1. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous :
for it becometh well the just to be thankful.
2. Praise the Lord with harp :
sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.
3. Sing unto the Lord a new song :
sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.
4. For the word of the Lord is true :
and all his works are faithful.
5. He loveth righteousness and judgement :
the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.
6. By the word of the Lord were the heavens made :
and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.
7. He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap :
and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.
8. Let all the earth fear the Lord :
stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.
9. For he spake, and it was done : he commanded, and it stood fast.
10. The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought :
and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the
counsels of princes.
11. The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever :
and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.
12. Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah :
and blessed are the folk, that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.
13. The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men :
from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.

14. He fashioneth all the hearts of them :
and understandeth all their works.
15. There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host :
neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.
16. A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man :
neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.
17. Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him :
and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;
18. To deliver their soul from death :
and to feed them in the time of dearth.
19. Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord :
for he is our help, and our shield.
20. For our heart shall rejoice in him :
because we have hoped in his holy Name.
21. Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us :
like as we do put our trust in thee.

Tuesday Week B

Psalm 34

Benedicam Domino

1. I WILL always give thanks unto the Lord:
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord:
the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
3. O praise the Lord with me:
and let us magnify his Name together.
4. I sought the Lord, and he heard me:
yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.
5. They had an eye unto him, and were lightened:
and their faces were not ashamed.
6. Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him:
yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

7. The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him:
and delivereth them.
8. O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is:
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
9. O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints:
for they that fear him lack nothing.
10. The lions do lack, and suffer hunger:
but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.
11. Come, ye children, and hearken unto me:
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
12. What man is he that lusteth to live:
and would fain see good days?
13. Keep thy tongue from evil:
and thy lips, that they speak no guile.
14. Eschew evil, and do good:
seek peace, and ensue it.
15. The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous:
and his ears are open unto their prayers.
16. The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil:
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
17. The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them:
and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
18. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart:
and will save such as be of an humble spirit.
19. Great are the troubles of the righteous:
but the Lord delivereth him out of all.
20. He keepeth all his bones:
so that not one of them is broken.
21. But misfortune shall slay the ungodly:
and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.
22. The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants:
and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

Thursday Week B (See Thursday Week A)

Friday Week B

Psalm 47

Omnes gentes, plaudite

1. O CLAP your hands together, all ye people:
O sing unto God with the voice of melody.
2. For the Lord is high, and to be feared:
he is the great King upon all the earth.
3. He shall subdue the people under us:
and the nations under our feet.
4. He shall choose out an heritage for us:
even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.
5. God is gone up with a merry noise:
and the Lord with the sound of the trump.
6. O sing praises, sing praises unto our God:
O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
7. For God is the King of all the earth:
sing ye praises with understanding.
8. God reigneth over the heathen:
God sitteth upon his holy seat.
9. The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham:
for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.

Monday Week C

Psalm 48

Magnus Dominus

1. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised :
in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.
2. The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth :
upon the north-side lieth the city of the great King; God is well known in her
palaces as a sure refuge.
3. For lo, the kings of the earth :
are gathered, and gone by together.

4. They marvelled to see such things :
they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.
5. Fear came there upon them, and sorrow :
as upon a woman in her travail.
6. Thou shalt break the ships of the sea : through the east-wind.
7. Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the
city of our God :
God upholdeth the same for ever.
8. We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God :
in the midst of thy temple.
9. O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end :
thy right hand is full of righteousness.
10. Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughter of Judah be glad :
because of thy judgements.
11. Walk about Sion, and go round about her :
and tell the towers thereof.
12. Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses :
that ye may tell them that come after.
13. For this God is our God for ever and ever :
he shall be our guide unto death.

Tuesday Week C

Psalm 49

Audite haec, omnes

1. O HEAR ye this, all ye people:
ponder it with your ears, all ye that dwell in the world;
2. High and low, rich and poor:
one with another.
3. My mouth shall speak of wisdom:
and my heart shall muse of understanding.
4. I will incline mine ear to the parable:
and shew my dark speech upon the harp.
5. Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness:
and when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round about?

6. There be some that put their trust in their goods:
and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.
7. But no man may deliver his brother:
nor make agreement unto God for him;
8. For it cost more to redeem their souls:
so that he must let that alone for ever;
9. Yea, though he live long:
and see not the grave.
10. For he seeth that wise men also die, and perish together:
as well as the ignorant and foolish, and leave their riches for other.
11. And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever:
and that their dwelling-places shall endure from one generation to another;
and call the lands after their own names.
12. Nevertheless, man will not abide in honour:
seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish; this is the way of them.
13. This is their foolishness:
and their posterity praise their saying.
14. They lie in the hell like sheep, death gnaweth upon them,
and the righteous shall have domination over them in the morning:
their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre out of their dwelling.
15. But God hath delivered my soul from the place of hell:
for he shall receive me.
16. Be not thou afraid, though one be made rich:
or if the glory of his house be increased;
17. For he shall carry nothing away with him when he dieth:
neither shall his pomp follow him.
18. For while he lived, he counted himself an happy man:
and so long as thou doest well unto thyself, men will speak good of thee.
19. He shall follow the generation of his fathers:
and shall never see light.
20. Man being in honour hath no understanding:
but is compared unto the beasts that perish.

Thursday Week C (See Thursday Week A)

Friday Week C

Psalm 59

Eripe me de inimicis

1. DELIVER me from mine enemies, O God:
defend me from them that rise up against me.
2. O deliver me from the wicked doers:
and save me from the blood-thirsty men.
3. For lo, they lie waiting for my soul:
the mighty men are gathered against me, without any offence or fault of me, O Lord.
4. They run and prepare themselves without my fault:
arise thou therefore to help me, and behold.
5. Stand up, O Lord God of hosts, thou God of Israel, to visit all the heathen:
and be not merciful unto them that offend of malicious wickedness.
6. They go to and fro in the evening:
they grin like a dog, and run about through the city.
7. Behold, they speak with their mouth, and swords are in their lips:
for who doth hear?
8. But thou. O Lord, shalt have them in derision:
and thou shalt laugh all the heathen to scorn.
9. My strength will I ascribe unto thee:
for thou art the God of my refuge.
10. God sheweth me his goodness plenteously:
and God shall let me see my desire upon mine enemies.
11. Slay them not, lest my people forget it:
but scatter them abroad among the people, and put them down, O Lord, our defence.
12. For the sin of their mouth, and for the words of their lips,
they shall be taken in their pride:
and why? their preaching is of cursing and lies.
13. Consume them in thy wrath, consume them, that they may perish:
and know that it is God that ruleth in Jacob, and unto the ends of the world.

14. And in the evening they will return:
grin like a dog, and will go about the city.
15. They will run here and there for meat:
and grudge if they be not satisfied.
16. As for me, I will sing of thy power, and will praise thy mercy betimes in the morning:
for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.
17. Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing:
for thou, O God, art my refuge, and my merciful God.

Monday Week D

Psalm 60

Deus, repulisti nos

1. O God, thou hast cast us out, and scattered us abroad :
thou hast also been displeased; O turn thee unto us again.
2. Thou hast moved the land, and divided it :
heal the sores thereof, for it shaketh.
3. Thou hast shewed thy people heavy things :
thou hast given us a drink of deadly wine.
4. Thou hast given a token for such as fear thee :
that they may triumph because of the truth.
5. Therefore were thy beloved delivered :
help me with thy right hand, and hear me.
6. God hath spoken in his holiness, I will rejoice and divide Sichem :
and mete out the valley of Succoth.
7. Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine :
Ephraim also is the strength of my head; Judah is my law-giver;
8. Moab is my wash-pot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe :
Philistia, be thou glad of me.
9. Who will lead me into the strong city :
who will bring me into Edom?
10. Hast not thou cast us out, O God :
wilt not thou, O God, go out with our hosts?
11. O be thou our help in trouble : for vain is the help of man.

12. Through God will we do great acts :
for it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

Tuesday Week D

Psalm 61

Exaudi, Deus

1. Hear my crying, O God :
give ear unto my prayer.
2. From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee :
when my heart is in heaviness.
3. O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I :
for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.
4. I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever :
and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.
5. For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires :
and hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.
6. Thou shalt grant the King a long life :
that his years may endure throughout all generations.
7. He shall dwell before God for ever :
O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.
8. So will I always sing praise unto thy Name :
that I may daily perform my vows.

Thursday Week B

Psalm 78

Attendite, popule

1. Hear my law, O my people:
incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.
2. I will open my mouth in a parable:
I will declare hard sentences of old;
3. Which we have heard and known:
and such as our fathers have told us;
4. That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come:
but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

5. He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law:
which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;
6. That their posterity might know it:
and the children which were yet unborn;
7. To the intent that when they came up:
they might shew their children the same;
8. That they might put their trust in God:
and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments;
9. And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation:
a generation that set not their heart aright,
and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God;
10. Like as the children of Ephraim:
who being harnessed, and carrying bows,
turned themselves back in the day of battle.
11. They kept not the covenant of God: and would not walk in his law;
12. But forgat what he had done:
and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.
13. Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt:
even in the field of Zoan.
14. He divided the sea, and let them go through:
he made the waters to stand on an heap.
15. In the day-time also he led them with a cloud:
and all the night through with a light of fire.
16. He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness:
and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.
17. He brought waters out of the stony rock:
so that it gushed out like the rivers.
18. Yet for all this they sinned more against him:
and provoked the most Highest in the wilderness.
19. They tempted God in their hearts:
and required meat for their lust.
20. They spake against God also, saying:
Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?

21. He smote the stony rock indeed, that the waters gushed out,
and the streams flowed withal:
but can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his people?
22. When the Lord heard this, he was wroth:
so the fire was kindled in Jacob, and there came up heavy displeasure against Israel;
23. Because they believed not in God:
and put not their trust in his help.
24. So he commanded the clouds above:
and opened the doors of heaven.
25. He rained down manna also upon them for to eat:
and gave them food from heaven.
26. So man did eat angels' food:
for he sent them meat enough.
27. He caused the east-wind to blow under heaven:
and through his power he brought in the south-west-wind.
28. He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust:
and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.
29. He let it fall among their tents: even round about their habitation.
30. So they did eat and were well filled, for he gave them their own desire:
they were not disappointed of their lust.
31. But while the meat was yet in their mouths,
the heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew the wealthiest of them:
yea, and smote down the chosen men that were in Israel.
32. But for all this they sinned yet more:
and believed not his wondrous works.
33. Therefore their days did he consume in vanity:
and their years in trouble.
34. When he slew them, they sought him:
and turned them early, and inquired after God.
35. And they remembered that God was their strength:
and that the high God was their redeemer.
36. Nevertheless, they did but flatter him with their mouth:
and dissembled with him in their tongue.

37. For their heart was not whole with him:
neither continued they stedfast in his covenant.
38. But he was so merciful, that he forgave their misdeeds:
and destroyed them not.
39. Yea, many a time turned he his wrath away:
and would not suffer his whole displeasure to arise.
40. For he considered that they were but flesh:
and that they were even a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.
41. Many a time did they provoke him in the wilderness:
and grieved him in the desert.
42. They turned back, and tempted God:
and moved the Holy One in Israel.
43. They thought not of his hand:
and of the day when he delivered them from the hand of the enemy;
44. How he had wrought his miracles in Egypt:
and his wonders in the field of Zoan.
45. He turned their waters into blood:
so that they might not drink of the rivers.
46. He sent lice among them, and devoured them up:
and frogs to destroy them.
47. He gave their fruit unto the caterpillar:
and their labour unto the grasshopper.
48. He destroyed their vines with hail-stones:
and their mulberry trees with the frost.
49. He smote their cattle also with hail-stones:
and their flocks with hot thunderbolts.
50. He cast upon them the furiousness of his wrath, anger, displeasure, and trouble:
and sent evil angels among them.
51. He made a way to his indignation, and spared not their soul from death:
but gave their life over to the pestilence;
52. And smote all the first-born in Egypt:
the most principal and mightiest in the dwellings of Ham.

53. But as for his own people, he led them forth like sheep:
and carried them in the wilderness like a flock.
54. He brought them out safely, that they should not fear:
and overwhelmed their enemies with the sea.
55. And brought them within the borders of his sanctuary:
even to his mountain which he purchased with his right hand.
56. He cast out the heathen also before them:
caused their land to be divided among them for an heritage,
and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.
57. So they tempted and displeased the most high God:
and kept not his testimonies;
58. But turned their backs, and fell away like their forefathers:
starting aside like a broken bow.
59. For they grieved him with their hill-altars:
and provoked him to displeasure with their images.
60. When God heard this, he was wroth:
and took sore displeasure at Israel.
61. So that he forsook the tabernacle in Silo:
even the tent that he had pitched among men.
62. He delivered their power into captivity:
and their beauty into the enemy's hand.
63. He gave his people over also unto the sword:
and was wroth with his inheritance.
64. The fire consumed their young men:
and their maidens were not given to marriage.
65. Their priests were slain with the sword:
and there were no widows to make lamentation.
66. So the Lord awaked as one out of sleep:
and like a giant refreshed with wine.
67. He smote his enemies in the hinder parts:
and put them to a perpetual shame.
68. He refused the tabernacle of Joseph:
and chose not the tribe of Ephraim;

69. But chose the tribe of Judah:
even the hill of Sion which he loved.
70. And there he built his temple on high:
and laid the foundation of it like the ground which he hath made continually.
71. He chose David also his servant:
and took him away from the sheep-folds.
72. As he was following the ewes great with young ones he took him:
that he might feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.
73. So he fed them with a faithful and true heart:
and ruled them prudently with all his power.

Friday Week D

Psalm 130

De profundis

1. 1. Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord :
Lord, hear my voice.
2. 2. O let thine ears consider well :
the voice of my complaint.
3. 3. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss :
O Lord, who may abide it?
4. 4. For there is mercy with thee :
therefore shalt thou be feared.
5. 5. I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him :
in his word is my trust.
6. 6. My soul fleeth unto the Lord :
before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.
7. 7. O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy :
and with him is plenteous redemption.
8. 8. And he shall redeem Israel :
from all his sins.

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