



Church of St. John the Evangelist

Elora, Ontario
Diocese of Niagara

November 1, 2020
11:00 am

Requiem Eucharist for All Saints and All Souls

11:00 am Holy Communion with Quartet (BCP)

MASS SETTING Requiem for 4 Voices

Victoria

Notes about your participation in this liturgy:

We ask that you wear face masks throughout the liturgy, refrain from congregational singing, and keep your physical distance.

A public washroom is available in the narthex for your use.

Our purpose is to provide a liturgical experience where you feel safe, develop a connection with others, and gain a sense of being spiritually grounded.

This liturgy is being video recorded live for those who are participating with us online from home.

Please turn off your cell phone so it does not interfere with our live stream broadcast.

All of our guidelines, approved by the diocese, are in place to express our care and commitment to one another.

If you have any questions, please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Thank you for your co-operation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

PRELUDE

Please stand as quartet and clergy enter.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Kneel as you are able.

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, it all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Celebrant: OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Quartet: Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

COLLECT FOR ALL SAINTS

Celebrant: O Almighty God,
who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical
body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all
virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou
hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Celebrant: Most merciful Father, who hast been pleased to take unto thyself our departed
loved ones: Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith,
that having served thee faithfully in this world, we may, with all faithful Christian
souls, be joined hereafter to the company of thy blessed Saints in glory; through
Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one
God, world without end.

People: **Amen.**

Be seated.

FIRST READING FROM THE BOOK OF REVELATION Revelation 7.9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Psalm 34.1-10, 22

(said responsively by verse)

I will always give thanks unto the Lord;

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord;

the humble shall hear thereof and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me;

let us magnify his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me;

yea, he delivered me out of all my fears.

O look unto him and be lightened;

and your faces shall not be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the Lord hear him;

yea, and saved him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him,

and delivereth them.

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is;

blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

O fear the Lord, ye that are that his saints,

for they that fear him lack nothing.

The lions do lack, and suffer hunger;

but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants;

and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

as it was at the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

GRADUAL - Quartet

*Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.*

*Verse: In memoria aeterna erit iustus:
ab auditione mala non timebit.*

*Give them eternal rest, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine on them.*

*The just man shall be remembered everlastingly,
he will not fear an evil hearing.*

Gospel Matthew 5.1-12

Please stand as you are able.

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel is written in the 5th chapter of the gospel according to Matthew beginning at the 1st verse.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Reader 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."

The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Celebrant: I BELIEVE in one God

People: the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; light, of light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON *The Rev'd Judy Steers*

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

While there is no offering collected, you can continue to give gifts to support the ministry of St. John's:

- Through E-transfer to treasurer.stjohnselora@gmail.com
- Online at www.niagaraanglican.ca/donate
- Through the mail slot of the Parish Centre door on Geddes Street
- In the stationary Offertory Box inside the EXIT doors of the church

"Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy" - Psalm 126:6

The Quartet will sing a hymn during the Preparation of the Gifts.

OFFERTORY - Quartet *O What Their Joy and Glory Must Be*

INTERCESSIONS

Kneel as you are able.

Celebrant: Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.
Let us pray for peace on earth and for the unity of all Christian people.
Let us pray for our all who proclaim the gospel in this community, our diocese and around the world.
Let us remember before God all of our loved ones who have departed this life and are at rest.
Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

Leader: ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: we humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Lord, in thy mercy.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant ELIZABETH our Queen, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue. Lord, in thy mercy.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Susan, our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present and all those gathered together with us online, that, with meek heart and due reverence, we may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Lord, in thy mercy.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired..... Lord, in thy mercy.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear:..... and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Lord in thy mercy.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God,

All: **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him: Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. - *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. - *John 3:16.*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. - *1 Timothy 1:15.*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any one sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. - 1 St John 2:1, 2.

THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

Quartet stands

Celebrant: The Lord be with you;

Quartet: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts;

Quartet: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

Quartet: It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Quartet

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Celebrant: BLESSING and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is

shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; and we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you;

All: And with thy Spirit.

All: WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Be seated.

COMMUNIO Quartet

*Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine,
cum sanctis tuis in aeternum,
quia pius es.*

*Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.*

*Let perpetual light shine upon them, O Lord,
with your saints for ever,
for you are merciful.*

*Grant them eternal rest, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Administration of Communion

Please stay in your seat as the sacrament will be brought to you. If you prefer not to receive the sacrament, you are invited to cross your hands over your chest to indicate that you would prefer a blessing from the priest.

When you receive the sacrament, please wait until the communion minister is beyond your two meter physical distance before removing your face mask and consuming the host (bread).

The sacrament is offered in one kind only.

The Celebrant partakes of the chalice on behalf of the entire community, gathered in person and online.

Anthem (*Quartet*) *O quam gloriosus est*
O quam gloriosum est regnum,
in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti!
Amicti stolis albis,
sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.

Victoria

O, how glorious is the kingdom,
in which all the saints rejoice with Christ!
Arrayed in white robes,
they follow the Lamb, wherever He goes.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Kneel as you are able.

Celebrant: Let us pray.
OUR Father

All: **who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of thy Son our saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

All: **And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee.**
And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Toccata*

Gigout

*To avoid congestion and maintain physical distance
please remain in your seat until a Sidesperson
gives you the signal that it is safe to leave.
Thank you for your cooperation.*

Flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of all our loved ones who have died, particularly those who died this past year, or those who we wish to remember:

I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: Even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours.

<i>David Murray</i>	<i>Peggy Robertson</i>	<i>Sheilagh Ashworth</i>
<i>Ken Coultres</i>	<i>Irene Nudyk</i>	<i>John Sealey</i>
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<i>Mary Goulding</i>	<i>Don Wilson</i>	<i>Paul Robertson</i>
<i>Regina Robertson</i>	<i>Arthur Hornett</i>	<i>Theresa Bridget Horrigan</i>
<i>Sheila Jane Murray</i>		

O Father of all, we pray to thee for those we love but see no longer. Grant them thy peace; and in thy loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of thy perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

If you would like flowers in memory of loved ones or to celebrate an occasion please contact Elaine Dightam at elaine.dightam@gmail.com

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Server	Ken Reid
Quartet	Lesley Bouza, Christina Stelmacovitch, Lanny Fleming, Alan MacDonald
Video Technicians	Rod Murray, Steve Hornett

Announcements for November 1, 2020

Notes on the Requiem Mass from John Wiens

The First of November is All Saints day, which is traditionally celebrated with a Requiem mass sung in honor of those of blessed memory. The Requiem as one of the oldest private traditions of choral music that we have, there

are examples of it from 600 years ago. The tradition of Requiems being offered as private memorial services continues across the world.

Today's Requiem is by one of the Golden Age of the Renaissance composers, Tomas Luis de Victoria. Victoria wrote a number of works that have stood the test of time, including two Requiems. His compositions are central repertoire for any choir capable of singing six or eight parts. Today you will hear his Requiem for 4 voices. Many consider Victoria's music among the most perfect music ever written, and his music certainly carries an emotional directness and an intensity of purpose. Victoria was offered several of the grandest posts available to a musician during his lifetime, but chose to remain a priest.

Coffee Time

You are invited to join in the Coffee Hour today at 1:30 on Zoom. Please ask one of the clergy for the link.

Today's Service

Today's service is livestreamed to the St. John's Elora YouTube Channel and posted on Facebook. The Order of Service, the full text of the Sermon, and a link to the video are posted on our website under "Current Sunday Service."

Attending In-Person

To satisfy the need to answer screening questions, and to help us plan, Registration is required each week to attend an in-person liturgy. Please register EARLY in the week.

You can register online at www.stjohnselora.ca before Friday at 6pm; or you can call and leave a message at the Parish Centre 519-846-5911 before Wednesday at noon. If you have any questions about your reservation, please contact Thomas at reservations.stjohnselora@gmail.com

St. John's Liturgy Online

Look for a mid week liturgy every Wednesday, alternating between Morning and Evening Prayer, and a selection of liturgical or sacred music called "**Choral Thursday**" prepared by John, Jurgen, and the members of the Parish Choir every Thursday. It is posted on the St. John's Elora YouTube and Facebook page.

Books and Calendars

Copies of the book, "Why Are We Here: Meditations on Canada" (\$12) and Canadian Church Calendars 2021 (\$5) are available at the EXIT door.

Synod Online

Saturday November 7 clergy and lay members of Synod will gather online with the Bishop and diocesan staff through Zoom to participate in the 146th session of Synod in the Diocese and the first ever online. The theme is "Seeing with the Eyes of our Hearts," inspired by Ephesians 1:15-19. The theme gives us the opportunity to give thanks for how parishes have been led with heart through the pandemic. At the same time, it also orients our Synod towards the future as we continue to live into our diocesan Mission Action Plan (MAP) and explore new and emerging avenues for mission. Pray for Paul, Judy, Thomas, and Ian as they attend on behalf of St. John's.

Pastoral Letters

If you are not receiving a copy of the Rector's Pastoral Letters emailed every Friday, please contact him at rector.stjohnselora@gmail.com and he can add you to his address list.

Choral Matins and Lessons and Carols

Modified Choral matins are scheduled for Sunday November 15 and December 13 both in-person and on livestream.

Advent Lessons and Carols will be pre-recorded and released on our YouTube Channel and Facebook page on Sunday November 29, Advent 1 at 7pm.

Christmas Lessons and Carols will be broadcast live on the diocese of Niagara YouTube Channel on Sunday December 20 at 7pm with Bishop Susan participating. Following diocesan and public health guidelines, this service will feature rotating quartets, and readers from across the diocese; but unfortunately we are unable to accommodate in-person attendance.