

ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE
BOSTON ROAD, HANWELL, W7 2AD



24th August 2025

Feast of S. Bartholomew

Parish Mass

The Reverend Dr. Margaret Joachim MBE (St Peter's, North Ealing)

Welcome to St Thomas the Apostle Church, Hanwell for our Parish Mass.



We hope you enjoy your time with us.

Do join us for refreshments in the Church Hall afterwards.

The hymns are in the Green New English Hymnal Books.

The Mass Setting for this Service is A New Peoples Mass by Andrew Gregory Murray.

Please do take this Service Booklet away with you for your own prayers & reflections this coming week.

The Gathering & Welcome

Please **Stand** (if you are able) as the Choir and Altar party enter.

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

First Hymn: 197 For all the saints.

The Prayer of Preparation

**All: Almighty God to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit;
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Invitation to Confession

We run the race set before us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Therefore let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely, bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith.

**All: Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
Amen.**

We **Sing** together the Kyrie Eleison.

**All: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

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

All: Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Please **Stand** as we **Sing** together **The Gloria**.

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**

Amen.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading: Isaiah 43. 8-13. *(Reading is read by Sue Cunningham)*

Bring forth the people who are blind, yet have eyes, who are deaf, yet have ears! Let all the nations gather together, and let the peoples assemble. Who among them declared this, and foretold to us the former things? Let them bring their witnesses to justify them, and let them hear and say, It is true. You are my witnesses, says the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me. I, I am the Lord, and besides me there is no saviour. I declared and saved and proclaimed, when there was no strange god among you; and you are my witnesses, says the Lord. I am God, and also henceforth I am He; there is no one who can deliver from my hand; I work and who can hinder it?

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Please **Stand** as we **Say** together Psalm 145. 1-7.

1. **I will exalt you, O God my King, • and bless your name for ever and ever.**
2. **Every day will I bless you • and praise your name for ever and ever.**
3. **Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; • his greatness is beyond all searching out.**
4. **One generation shall praise your works to another • and declare your mighty acts.**
5. **They shall speak of the majesty of your glory, • and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.**
6. **They shall speak of the might of your marvellous acts, • and I will also tell of your greatness.**
7. **They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness • and joyfully sing of your righteousness.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.

The Second Reading: Acts 5.12-16. *(Reading is read by Steve Purcell)*

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomons Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peters shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: 374 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds.

The Gospel

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: "I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last. *(John 15.16)*

All: Alleluia.

The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **S. Luke 22. 24-30.**

All ☩☩☩ Glory to you, O Lord.

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For

who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon or Homily *is given.*

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*The **Motet** is sung.*

The Nicene Creed

**All: We believe in one God the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Please **Kneel or Sit for the Prayers of Intercession.** *(Led by Charlotte Carotenuto)*

And at the end.

Lord in your mercy.

Merciful Father,

All: Hear our prayer.

**All: Accept these prayers for the sake of your
Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near. (*Ephesians 2.19,17*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. *All may exchange a sign of peace.*

Offertory Hymn: Brother Sister Let me Serve you.

1. Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

3. I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

5. When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

2. We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

4. I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow,
till we've seen this journey through.

6. Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Father, accept all we bring before you this day. Guide us with your love and feed us at your table as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostles. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All: His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good that we should give you thanks, praise and glory, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For after his resurrection he sent out his apostles and evangelists to preach the gospel to all nations and lead us in the way of truth.

Himself the chief cornerstone, he founded his Church upon the apostles firmly to stand for ever as a sign of your holiness upon earth and a living witness to all of the way that leads to heaven.

And so with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we lift our voices and join in their unending hymn of praise:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord. God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

✠ Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Congregation kneel or sit.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke 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. ✠

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. ✠

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, St Thomas the Apostle and our Patron, St Bartholomew and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen. ✠

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All: Our Father, 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 those who 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

✠ We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Invitation to Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, 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.

The Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) is sung

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Priest, Altar Party, Choir and the People all receive communion.

If you are baptised and receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to receive communion here.

You are welcome to receive a blessing instead of communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.

Communion Hymn: 341 Blessed are the pure in heart.

Prayers after Communion

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

**All: Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,**

so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Parish Notices are given.

Final Hymn: *By all the saints still striving* (Tune 7676D #453 'Morning Light')

1. By all your saints still striving,
for all your saints at rest,
your holy Name, O Jesus,
for evermore be blessed.
You rose, our King victorious,
that they might wear the crown
and ever shine in splendour
reflected from your throne.

2. Bartholomew apostle,
Who with the noble throng
Now wears a spotless raiment,
And raises ceaseless song.
For his others' witness,
directed unto you
by walking in his footsteps,
we give you praise anew.

3. Then let us praise the Father
and worship God the Son
and sing to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One.
Till all the ransomed number
who stand before the throne
ascribe all pow'r and glory
and praise to God alone.

The Blessing

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

6:30pm: Book of Common Prayer Service of Evening Prayer - Led by: Steve Purcell.

Psalm(s): 86 (pg. 455), Epistle: Ecclesiasticus 39. 1-10, Gospel: S. Matthew 10. 1-22.

Services This Week

Throughout the week, The Offices of **Morning Prayer** (Common Worship) is observed in Church and is live-streamed on Facebook at 9am (*8.30am on Fridays).

Led on Mondays by The Reverend Julia Palmer. | On Tuesdays & Fridays by Stephen Brooks.

On Wednesdays and Thursdays, The Office is said in-person in the Lady Chapel by The Reverend Julia Palmer.

Tuesday 26th August 2025: 12(Noon) MASS in the Lady Chapel

Sunday 31st August 2025: The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Ecclesiasticus 10. 12-18, Psalm 112, Hebrews 13. 1-8, 15-16, S. Luke 14. 1, 7-14.

Readers: Bess Hulme & Pauline Britton | Intercessor(s): Stephen Brooks

Chalice: Sue Cunningham & Andrew Lumsden.




Parish prayers – The Wider Church: especially; **Bishop George Dawson-Ahmoah** and for the Churches of Nkoranza, Ghana. **Pfr. Jens Oehme** and for the people of the L  therkirche, Hartau in Chemnitz, Germany. **Rev. Canon Clement Francis M.P.S. (Emeritus)** and for the people of Christ the King, Hillsborough, Carriacou, Grenada. **The Church of England & Wider Anglican Communion:** for wisdom and discernment

for all in the appointment of the next Spiritual Head of the Church of England. **This Diocese:** especially; **+Sarah**, Bishop of London, **+Lusa**, Bishop of Willesden, **The Venerable Catherine**, The Archdeacon of Northolt.

The Cathedral Church of S. Paul the Apostle: our London Diocesan Mother Church and for all who work and worship there. **Our Church:** especially; for Reverend Julia, together with Adrianna, Mark, Sairose, and Jude, as they rejoice in the safe arrival of baby Thomasina Mabel into their lives.. We pray for our Wardens, PCC, and all who serve in our Church. Bless our young people, their leaders, and all who make use of the Parish Hall. Strengthen our ministries and guide us as we grow in grace, serving others in truth and love. **We pray for a deepening of love and community in our Parish, in Hanwell and beyond.** Bless our local schools—Oaklands, St. Mark's, Elthorne and also New Level Academy especially in its work with marginalised youth. Be with all who live, work, and enrich our community. **The World:** especially; The Holy Land, Palestine, Gaza, the Middle East, India & Pakistan, Myanmar, Syria, Sudan, DR Congo and Ukraine. **We pray for the housebound, the sick, and all in hospital or care. For those in any need or distress, and all who have asked for our prayers for them:** especially; John Ball, Ben Blavo, John Brake & Family, Nigel & Davina Brooks, Bryn, Ivan Carter, Noel Chardon, Elaine Cole, Patrick Dennerly, Daphne Dorival, Leo & Estriana Douglas, Merfyn Edwards, Darren Hancock, Brian Hunt, Ian King, Jaxon Prentice, Nick Lunn, Rufus Mansley, George Lewis Law & Family, Alan McDougall, Arda & Joe Metcalf, Alison Montgomery, Stuart Minty, Owen, Nicholas Robinson, Sarah, Julia Schumman, Gill Shaw, Keith & Sara Spillet, Colin Spooner, John Tozer and Kris Wilson. **The recently departed:** especially, Elsie Buchanan & Susan Cross.

Those whose years mind falls at this time: especially; Veronica Matthews, Norman Dorival, Kofi Adjei, Marcia Isaacs, Elvin Giraldu Lloyd, Robbie Robertson, John Alexis, Louisa Calder and Ann Simon.

✠ May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and rise in glory.

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PARISH FAMILY MASS

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SEPTEMBER 2025: FEAST OF
S. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS AT 10AM**



**LOOK FORWARD TO OUR
FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT
CELEBRATIONS DURING
OUR PARISH FAMILY MASS
FOR HARVEST FESTIVAL
ON SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2025 AT
10AM**

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Beginning

Wednesday 10th September

In The Lady Chapel at St Thomas'

Join us as we begin a new Reflection & Bible Study series exploring the Gospel of Matthew in a welcoming and prayerful setting.

Afternoon Session

⌚ 2.00 – 3.30pm

With tea and biscuits

Evening Session

⌚ 7.00 – 9.30pm

With tea and biscuits

Concludes with Compline

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