

THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS,  
NORTH HILLINGDON UB10 9BT  
+  
~SERVING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY~  
+  
THE 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
(YEAR A)  
& 'THIRD' SUNDAY  
+  
18 OCTOBER 2020

*Please remember that we all need to take care of ourselves and one another in church and to make our way carefully into the building and out of it at the end of our time of worship together.*

***You must, please, wear a face-covering in church (unless you have a good reason for not wearing one).***



### **Reflection for this Sunday:**

Everyone on this earth belongs to God. All are made in his image. Therefore it is right that all men and women, *from the rising to the setting of the sun*, should know the God, to whom they belong. The only desire of our God is that all should know and love him and find in him the fulfilment that they seek. Even a pagan king, like Cyrus (of Persia), is used to further this knowledge of God. Just as Jesus uses Caesar's head to make the point again: all belong to God and the mission of all who acknowledge that belonging is to help others to find it. This is exactly what we see Paul, Silvanus and Timothy doing as they write to the people of Thessalonica (in Greece), to whom they carried the Good News of Jesus Christ. *And that is what we are called to do in our own day, here in North Hillingdon.*

**Introit:** I call upon you, God, for you will answer me; bend your ear and hear my prayer. Guard me as the pupil of your eye; hide me in the shade of your wings.

**Collect:** Let us pray (*for the gift of simplicity and joy in our service of God and man*): Almighty and ever-living God, our source of power and inspiration, give us strength and joy in serving you as followers of Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **TO-DAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah (45:1 & 4-6):** *I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue the nations before him.*

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him, and making kings run in his service, opening doors before him and leaving the gates unbarred: For the sake of Jacob, my servant, of Israel, my chosen one, I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not. I am the Lord and there is no other, there is no God besides me. It is I who arm you, though you know me not, so that

toward the rising and the setting of the sun people may know that there is none besides me. I am the Lord, there is no other. *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**At 8 o'clock** the response in the Psalm (95/96) is: ***Give the Lord glory and power!***

**A reading from letter of S Paul to the Thessalonians (1:1-5):** *We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope.*

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy to the Church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labour of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our Gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction. *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. ***Alleluia!***

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (22:15-21):** *Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.*

The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?' Knowing their malice, Jesus said, 'Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax.' Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them: 'Whose image is this and whose inscription?' They replied, 'Caesar's.' At that he said to them, 'Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.'



### **AT THE INTERCESSIONS**

Intercessor: Lord God, Maker of heaven and earth:  
**All: in your love, hear us.**

**We pray:** for our parish and for its needs; for the spread of the Gospel in our own parish & country; for members of the Church Army; for our GP; for

artists in Hillingdon; for local lawyers; for members of the Armed Forces based in Uxbridge.

**We commend** to God our Father:

**the sick, the housebound & others in trouble or need:** Michael Bedford (*priest*), Peter Bennett, Kath Bridgen, Helen Dey, Brian Measures, Phil Parris, Stephen Patrick, Rob Scoates, Barbara Skelton & Sarah Turk.

**the recently departed:** Andrew John Cecil.

**those whose anniversary falls at about this time:** Julie Adamson, Katrina Bijowski, Jean Birch, Paul Buckingham, Maudie Cole, Roy Clive Hollis, Peter Laurence Homewood (*priest*), Enid Johnson, Marion Lane, Frances Longley, Archibald Russell, Eric Wright & Eileen Young **May they rest in peace and rise in glory!**



We commend all that we have just prayed for, our families, our friends & those we love to the intercession of Mary (the mother of Jesus), S Joseph (her spouse), S Luke (evangelist & physician), S Paul (of the Cross), S John (of Capistrano) & all the saints. *Hail, Mary...*

#### **FATHER DESMOND'S NOTES THIS WEEK**

1. *For your own sake and the sake of all of us, you must not come into church*, if you have (or have had within the last 14 days) any symptoms of COVID-19. If you have been exposed (or think you may have been exposed) within the last fourteen days, you must also stay away from church, even if you have no symptoms.

2. We are very pleased to welcome Father Bernard Dagnall and Jenny (from Oxford) to All Saints' at 10 o'clock this morning.
3. Holy Communion is currently administered under one kind only. If you feel unsure about receiving Holy Communion, please do not feel inhibited. *What matters is that you are here!*
4. At the end of our time together in church, there is some cleaning to be done; please volunteer. We are very grateful for your help.
5. A final reminder that there are some really good photographs of our recent Harvest Thanksgiving Eucharist on the Parish Website. Have a look.

#### **6. The Eucharist in the week at ASH:**

Wednesday, 21/10; 1000: Weekday in Ordinary Time

7. Friday, 23/10: Half Term Week in Hillingdon begins.
8. Items for the November edition of *Saints Alive!* are due in by **Saturday, 24 October**, please.
9. Saturday, 24/10: No Vestry Hour to-day. (Normal service resumes on 31/10.)

10. Remember to put your clocks **back** by one hour before you retire on Saturday, 24/10.

#### **11. NEXT SUNDAY; 25/10: the 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

- a. 0800: Said Eucharist
- b. 1000: Parish Eucharist.

12. Wednesday, 28/10; 1300: Funeral Liturgy of Andrew John Cecil at All Saints', followed by his burial at Northwood Cemetery.

13. Sunday, 1/11: **Solemnity of All Saints** & our Patronal Festival: the Eucharist will be celebrated at 0800 & 1000 as usual. (*There will be no Evening Service that night, as we are currently not allowed to sing in church.*)

14. Monday, 2/11: **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed** (All Souls' Day): the Eucharist will be celebrated (as usual) both at 1200 and at 1930. The customary lists will be put into church next Sunday.

15. Sunday, 8/11 will be kept as *Remembrance Sunday*.

16. We are, as far as possible, currently planning the shape of **Covid-19 Christmas in 2020**. Details will be published in good time, so that we all have the opportunity to note, mark and inwardly digest them. What seems clear is that we shall have to ask you to book your seat in church in advance this year. While this goes *very much* against the grain, there seems to be no other option, given that seating and safe space are limited at the present time.

17. **PAUSE FOR THOUGHT:** Pray regularly, for it is far easier to keep a fire burning than to start a new one.

#### **Parish Priest:**

##### **Father Desmond Banister SSC**

All Saints' Vicarage, Ryefield Avenue,  
North Hillingdon, Middlesex UB10 9BT  
Telephone: (01895) 239457;  
e-mail: [ppasnh@gmail.com](mailto:ppasnh@gmail.com)

#### **Assistant Curate (SSM):**

##### **Father Diognisius Antony**

10 Queen's Road,  
Uxbridge, Middlesex UB8 2NN  
Telephone: 07775 503510  
e-mail: [dinysca@yahoo.com](mailto:dinysca@yahoo.com)



*To enquire about **Banns of Marriage, Weddings, Baptisms or other items of parish business**, please come to Vestry Hour at 0930 on a Saturday. No appointment is needed. You can also e-mail or telephone Father Desmond at the Vicarage to arrange an alternative time.*

*Parish Website:*

[www.allsaintsnorthhilligdon.co.uk](http://www.allsaintsnorthhilligdon.co.uk)

*Facebook:* [www.facebook.com/ASHillingdon](https://www.facebook.com/ASHillingdon)

*Twitter:* @ASHillingdon