

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

SUNDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2023

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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.

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ And they cried out in a loud voice: 'Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.'
¹¹ All the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, ¹² saying: 'Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honour and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!'
¹³ Then one of the elders asked me, 'These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?'
¹⁴ I answered, 'Sir, you know.' And he said, 'These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ Therefore, 'they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶ "Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them," nor any scorching heat.
¹⁷ For the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd; "he will lead them to springs of living water."
"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Psalm 34:1-10

I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.
² I will glory in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
³ Glorify the Lord with me: let us exalt his name together.
⁴ I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.
⁵ Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.
⁶ This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.
⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.
⁸ Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
⁹ Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing.
¹⁰ The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

1 John 3:1-3

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³ All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Matthew 5:1-12

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.

He said:

- ³ 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
⁴ Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
⁵ Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
⁷ Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
¹¹ 'Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.
¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE WEEKLY MESSENGER
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH, STONEBRIDGE

This Week's Service Schedule

- **Sunday 5th November:** Parish Eucharist at 10am celebrating the Feast of St Michael and All Angels; Church on the Phone at 1:30pm
- **Morning Prayer:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:15am on Zoom
- **Tuesday 7th November:** Holy Communion at the Victoria Care Centre 2pm
- **Wednesday 8th November:** Prayer Fellowship at 10am.
- **Saturday 11th November:** Praise and Worship with Holy Communion at 5pm. We shall be keeping **All Souls Day**, so please let us know the names of everyone you would like to be remembered at this service.
- **Sunday 12th November:** Parish Eucharist at 10am with the Bible readings as below; **Church on the Phone** at 1:30pm

Hymns for 10:00am service

Introit hymn

No 734: We really want to thank you, Lord

Gradual hymn:

Printed: When All The Saints Go Marching In

Offertory hymn:

No 783: Ye holy angels bright

Hymn during communion:

No 382: Jesus, take me as I am

Recessional hymn:

No 809: Blessed be the name of the Lord

Bible Readings Remembrance Sunday 12th November

Readings	Sunday
1 st : Hebrew Scripture	Amos 5.18-24
2 nd : Psalm	Psalm 70
3 rd : Epistle	1 Thessalonians 4.13-18
Gospel	Matthew 25.1-13

How to connect:

Telephone service Sundays at 1:30pm: call the conference line 0333 0164 757. When it answers, key in the conference number 68971667# and then the PIN 9651#.

Zoom services: all prayer services on Zoom use the same meeting code as follows: either enter the Meeting ID manually - 881 6923 2299 or use the quick link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88169232299>
For audio only from any phone, please dial 0203 481 5237 and enter the Meeting ID.

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Diary Dates

11th November: All Souls' Day kept at Saturday 5pm service

12th November: Remembrance Sunday

3rd December: Advent Sunday

17th December: Carol Service

25th December: Christmas Day this year falls on a Monday.

WHEN ALL THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN

Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in

Oh, when the drums begin to bang
Oh, when the drums begin to bang

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Oh, when the stars fall from the sky
Oh, when the stars fall from the sky

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Oh, when the moon turns red with blood
Oh, when the moon turns red with blood

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Oh, when the trumpet sounds its call
Oh, when the trumpet sounds its call

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Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in.