



# All Saints' Day

Church of the Holy Comforter – Vienna, Virginia  
The Holy Eucharist Rite II

November 1, 2020 at 9:30 A.M.

VOLUNTARY: “Nimrod” from *Enigma Variations*

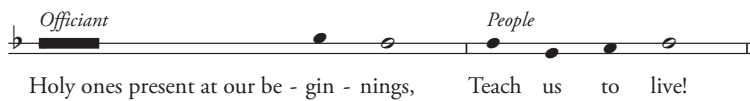
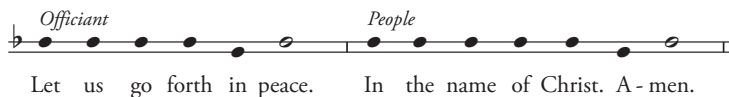
Edward Elgar

## THE ENTRANCE

LITANY OF ALL THE SAINTS

*Adapted from usage at St. Stephen and the Incarnation, Washington, D.C.*

*Sung by all as indicated, standing.*



*This same response is sung after the petitions that follow.*

*Officiant* Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Rachel and Leah, makers of the covenant, forebears of our race,

*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Elizabeth and Simeon, Joseph, Monica and Helen, exemplars in the love and care of children,

*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* John the baptizer, map-maker of the Lord's coming,

*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Holy ones who gave their lives to the care of others,

*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Louis, king of France; Margaret, queen of Scotland; Gandhi the mahatma; Dag Hammarskjold the bureaucrat; all who made governance an act of faith,

*People* **Teach us to live!**

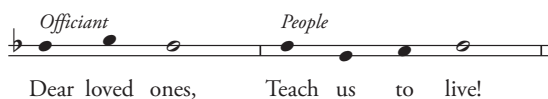
*Officiant* Mary Magdalene, anointer of the Lord's feet; Luke the physician; Francis who kissed the leper; Florence Nightingale; Albert Schweitzer; all who brought to the sick and suffering the hands of healing,

*People* **Teach us to live!**



For friends and family of our parish whom we now remember,

*The congregation is invited to speak aloud the names of those they would like to remember.*



Dear loved ones, Teach us to live!

*Officiant* Holy ones who made the proclaiming of God's love a work of art,

*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, John Merbecke, Johann Sebastian Bach, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Benjamin Britten, Duke Ellington, all who sang the Creator's praises in the language of the soul,

*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Holy ones haunted by the justice and mercy of God,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Amos of Tekoa, who held up the plumbline; John Wycliffe, who brought the Scripture to the common folk;  
 Martin Luther, who could do no other;  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Paul the apostle, transfixed by noonday light; Augustine of Hippo, lover of divine grace; Thomas Aquinas and  
 John Calvin, theologians of faith; all who saw God at work and wrote down what they saw,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* John, the seer of Patmos; Antony of Egypt; Julian, the anchoress of Norwich; Hildegarde, the sybil of the Rhine;  
 Meister Eckardt; Bernadette of Lourdes; all who were called to see the Master's face,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Holy ones who died in witness to the Christ,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Stephen the deacon, the first martyr, stoned in Jerusalem,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Perpetua and Felicity, torn by beasts in the arena at Carthage,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Thomas Cranmer, Hugh Latimer, and Nicholas Ridley, burned in Oxford,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Maximilian Kolbe, Edith Stein, and Dietrich Bonhoeffer, put to death at Auschwitz and Flossenbürg,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* James Reeb, Jonathan Daniels, Michael Schwerner, Medgar Evers, Viola Liuzzo, shot in the South,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Martin Luther King, shot in Memphis,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Oscar Romero, shot in San Salvador,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Holy ones of every time and place,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Glorious company of heaven,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* All climbers of the ladder of Paradise,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* All runners of the celestial race,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Great cloud of witnesses,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Eternal Creator, Lord of all,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Jesus our liberator, redeemer of all,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Life-giving Spirit, sanctifier of all,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

*Officiant* Holy Trinity, one God, the alpha and the omega, the beginning and the end,  
*People* **Teach us to live!**

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

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 worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor 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 center 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."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

AT THE GRADUAL, HYMN 287 (stanzas 1-4) "For all the saints, who from their labors rest"

*Sine Nomine*

*Sung by all.*



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:\_\_\_  
 3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,\_\_\_  
 4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!\_\_\_



thee\_\_\_ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;\_\_\_  
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and  
 We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O\_\_\_ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.  
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.  
 win, with\_\_\_ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.  
 all are\_\_\_ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

### THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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 the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE SERMON** The Rev. Ann Gillespie

*A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.*

**THE NICENE CREED** *[Said by 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gracious God, source of all wisdom, we seek your guidance. Regardless of how the coming election turns out, help us to not hold hate, disdain, or ridicule for those who voted differently than ourselves. Whether we are pleased or upset about the outcome, we will seek to understand the concerns and aspirations of those who voted differently and will look for opportunities to work with people with whom we disagree. We pray through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM:** “Remember your servants, Lord” Russian Orthodox Chant, arr. Richard Proulx

Remember your servants, Lord, when you come in your kingly power.

Blessèd are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessèd are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted.

Blessèd are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessèd are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be satisfied.

Blessèd are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessèd are the pure in heart; for they shall see God.

Blessèd are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessèd are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessèd are you when the world reviles you and persecutes you; and utters all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake:

Rejoice and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven.



By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People* **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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**


### INVITATION

*Under much conversation right now is the question of whether bread and wine consecrated virtually is the Sacrament of the Eucharist or Holy Communion. At the moment our Bishop and Diocese is saying we understand the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist to happen with the gathered community and the priest together in the same space. But that being said, we would say that there is a sacred presence in any act that is responsive and revealing of the love of Christ. If you break bread or say the prayer for receiving spiritual communion, hold fast to Christ's presence in you already, and let the church come to clarity over time in this conversation. If you still have questions about this, so do we. Bless you and this time. Amen.*


**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.** (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

AT THE DISTRIBUTION, HYMN 293 (stanzas 1 & 3) "I sing a song of the saints of God"  
*Sung by all.*


*Grand Isle*




1 I sing a song of the saints of God,  
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are




pa - tient and brave and true, who\_\_ toiled and\_\_ fought and\_\_  
hund - reds of thou - sands still, the\_\_ world is\_\_ bright with the




lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And\_\_  
joy - ous saints who\_\_ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -  
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the\_\_ green: they were all of them saints of\_\_  
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of\_\_ God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
folk like\_\_ me, and I mean to be one too.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *[Said by all.]*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL *[The people respond,]*

**Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY: Prelude on *Sine Nomine* (Hymn 287)

Arthur Hutchings