



Saint Matthew's Church  
Big Lamp ~ Summerhill Street  
Newcastle

**Text of the Mass for Christ the King, 24<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

*As the priest enters the church, the following is sung:*

1. At the Name of Jesus  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess Him  
King of glory now;  
'Tis the Father's pleasure  
We should call Him Lord,  
Who from the beginning  
Was the mighty Word.  
Who from the beginning  
Was the mighty Word.

2. At His voice creation  
Sprang at once to sight,  
All the angel faces  
All the hosts of light,  
Thrones and dominations,  
Stars upon their way,  
All the heavenly orders,  
In their great array.  
All the heavenly orders,  
In their great array.

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3. Humbled for a season,  
To receive a Name,  
From the lips of sinners  
Unto whom He came,  
Faithfully He bore it  
Spotless to the last,  
Brought it back victorious  
When from death He passed.  
Brought it back victorious  
When from death He passed:

The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our God and of His Christ.

[And He shall reign for ever and ever: King of kings and Lord of Lords.](#)

Let us pray:

Eternal Father, Whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the Throne of Heaven that He might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at His feet, Who lives and reigns, now and for ever.

[Amen.](#)

4. Bore it up triumphant  
With its human light,  
Through all ranks of creatures,  
To the central height,  
To the throne of Godhead,  
To the Father's breast;  
Filled it with the glory  
Of that perfect rest.  
Filled it with the glory  
Of that perfect rest.

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5. In your hearts enthrone Him;  
There let Him subdue  
All that is not holy,  
All that is not true:  
He is God the Saviour,  
He is Christ the Lord,  
Ever to be worshipped,  
Trusted and adored.  
Ever to be worshipped,  
Trusted and adored.

6. Brothers, this Lord Jesus  
Shall return again,  
With the Father's glory,  
With His angel train;  
For all wreaths of empire  
Meet upon His brow,  
And our hearts confess Him  
King of glory now.  
And our hearts confess Him  
King of glory now.

Words: Caroline Noel 1817 - 77  
Music: Land of Hope and Glory  
Edward Elgar arr Jim Paterson

+ The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.  
[And with thy spirit.](#)

Jesus says, 'Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

We have sinned through our thoughts and through our thoughtlessness:  
Kyrie eleison.  
[Kyrie eleison.](#)

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We have sinned through our words and through our silence: Christe eleison.

Christe eleison.

We have sinned through our deeds and through our inaction: Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison

Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. *Ps.* Have mercy upon me, O God: after thy great goodness. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

The Lamb Who was slain is worthy to receive strength and divinity, wisdom and power and honour: to Him be glory for ever and ever. Endow the king with Your judgement, O Lord: and the king's son with Your righteousness. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Lamb Who was slain &c

*During the Gloria in excelsis, the Altar, the symbol of God's Presence, may be honoured with incense.*

Glory be to God on high.

And in earth peace, goodwill towards men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee,

we worship Thee, we glorify Thee,

we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King,

God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ:

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right

hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy, Thou only art the Lord;

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high,

+ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Let us pray:

Almighty and eternal God, to Jesus Christ, the First-born from the dead, You have granted everlasting dominion and a kingship that shall not pass away. Remove from us every desire for privilege and power, that we may imitate the sacrificial love of Christ our King and, as a royal and priestly people, serve You humbly in our brothers and sisters; in and through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, Who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, throughout all ages world without end.

Amen.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel.

I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Lord is king and has put on glorious apparel; ♦ the Lord has put on his glory and girded himself with strength.

He has made the whole world so sure ♦ that it cannot be moved.

Your throne has been established from of old; ♦ you are from everlasting.

Your testimonies are very sure; ♦ holiness adorns your house, O Lord, for ever.

A Reading from the Book of the Apocalypse.

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the first-born of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, every one who pierced him; and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*The Gospel book is carried to the Lectern:*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on Him, Who comes in the Name of the Lord: blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Christ's Presence in the words of the Gospel may be honoured with incense.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Pilate entered the praetorium again and called Jesus, and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me; what have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingship is not of this world; if my kingship were of this world, my servants would fight, that I might not be handed over to the Jews; but my kingship is not from the world." Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*A homily may follow.*

We believe in one God,  
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 His Father before all worlds.

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God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten not made;  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by Whom all things were made;  
Who for us men 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 in glory  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
Whose Kingdom shall have no end.  
And we 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 we believe  
one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church,  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.  
And we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
+ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

My sisters and brothers, as we proclaim that Christ is King, in His Name, we ask the Lord for all the graces we need to make His Kingdom come:

Let us ask the Lord to look on the needs of the Church:

[Petitions]

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King of all, guide Your Church along the right path that, as You are true to Your Name, we might be true to You: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to look on the needs of the world:

[Petitions]

King of all, establish the fullness of Your reign over all the earth and give us Your gift of true and eternal peace: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to look on the needs of the people we meet:

[Petitions]

King of all, may our communities be places of goodness and kindness that we may all find contentment and flourishing one with another: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to look on the needs of those who suffer:

[Petitions]

King of all, hear our prayers for the hungry, the thirsty and all who suffer; lead them by restful waters and revive their drooping spirits: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to look on the needs of all who have died:

[Petitions]

King of all, grant to those who have died a place at the Banquet You have prepared that they may dwell in Your own house for ever and ever: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

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Let us ask the Lord to look on the needs of others and of ourselves known privately to us: ... Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

In union with our Lady, Saint Matthew, Saint Philip, Saint Andrew, Saint Augustine, and all the saints, this we ask of You, Father almighty, Who has chosen us as Your royal priesthood, conscious of the victory that is ours through, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

[Amen.](#)

To crown all things there must be love; to bind together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

[And with thy spirit.](#)

*As the bread and wine are brought to the Altar and prepared for the Mass, the following is sung:*

[Ask of Me and shall give you the nations as your inheritance: and the utmost parts of the earth as your possession.](#)

Here, while the Cherubim within the veil, adore the blest, life-giving Trinity, we in earth's worship echoing their part, hymn the thrice-holy in their company. So let all earthly cares be laid aside, that we may welcome Him Who draweth nigh, the King of Glory entering His courts, girt by the hidden armies of the sky. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*The preparation of the Altar continues; incense may be used to honour the place where Christ will become present.*

How shall I sing that majesty  
Which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
Thy throne, O God most high;  
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
Thy praise; but who am I?

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Thy brightness unto them appears,  
Whilst I Thy footsteps trace;  
A sound of God comes to my ears,  
But they behold Thy Face.  
They sing because Thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
For where heav'n is once begun  
There alleluyas be.

Enlighten with Faith's light my heart,  
Inflame it with love's fire;  
Then shall I sing and bear a part  
With that celestial choir.  
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold  
With all my fire and light;  
Yet when Thou dost accept their gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is Thine,  
Which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
To sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
A Sun without a sphere;  
Thy time is now and evermore,  
Thy place is everywhere.

Words: John Mason c1645 - 1694  
Music: Third Mode Melody  
Thomas Tallis 1515 - 85

*At the end:*

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty. All that is in Heaven and earth is Thine:

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own do we give Thee.

Eternal God, by Your grace You have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer You this day, and lead us in those good works for which You have created us; in and through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*The priest begins the great prayer of thanksgiving:*

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts;

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with the oil of gladness

you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,  
to be our great high priest and king of all creation.

As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross  
and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.

As king he claims dominion over all your creatures,  
that he may bring before your infinite majesty  
a kingdom of truth and life,

a kingdom of holiness and grace,

a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

And so with angels and archangels

and all the heavenly host,

we proclaim your glory

and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high.

+ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his Apostles  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

*The priest holds up the consecrated Host for the people to see.*

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
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.

*The priest holds up the chalice of consecrated wine for the people to see.*

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.  
Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with [*N and*] all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
By Whom and with Whom and in Whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

*Amen.*

Instructed by saving precepts and taught by divine example, we are bold  
to say:

Our Father,  
*Who art in Heaven,  
hallowed by 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.*

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.  
Though we are many, we are one Body, because we all share in one  
Bread.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

*The priest holds up the consecrated elements and invites people to receive Holy Communion:*

+ Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him, Who takes away the sin of the world; happy are they who are called to His Supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive You; but only say the Word and my soul will be healed.

Come, O blessed of my Father: inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world.

*Holy Communion follows.*

O Jesu, King most wonderful,  
Thou Conqueror renowned,  
Thou sweetness most ineffable,  
In Whom all joys are found!

When once Thou visitest the heart,  
Then Truth begins to shine;  
Then earthly vanities depart;  
Then kindles love divine.

O Jesu, Light of all below,  
Thou Fount of life and fire,  
Surpassing all the joys we know,  
And all we can desire.

May every heart confess Thy Name,  
And ever Thee adore;  
And, seeking Thee, itself inflame  
To seek Thee more and more.

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Thee may our tongues for ever bless,  
Thee may we love alone;  
And ever in our lives express  
The image of Thine own.

Words: C12 Latin  
Tr Edward Caswall 1814 - 78  
Music: Westminster  
James Turle 1802 - 82

*After Holy Communion:*

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever: and He shall give His people the gift of peace.

Let us pray:

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by You be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

*Notices may follow.*

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do His Will, that you may reign with Him in glory; and the + blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*Amen.*

The Mass is ended. Go in the Peace of Christ.

*Thanks be to God.*

The Angel of Lord brought the tidings to Mary;  
and she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee:

Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of  
our death. Amen.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord;  
be it unto my according to Thy Word.

Hail Mary &c

The Word was made flesh;

and dwelt among us.

Hail Mary &c

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God;

that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Pour forth Your Grace into our hearts, we beseech You O Lord, that  
as we have known the Incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the  
message of an angel, so by His + Cross and Passion, we may be  
brought to the glory of His Resurrection; in and through the same  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

O worship the King

All glorious above;

O gratefully sing

His power and His love:

Our Shield and Defender,

The Ancient of days,

Pavilioned in splendour,

And girded with praise.

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O tell of His might,  
O sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light,  
Whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath  
The deep thunder-clouds form,  
And dark is His path  
On the wings of the storm.

This earth, with its store  
Of wonders untold,  
Almighty Thy power  
Hath founded of old:  
Hath stablished it fast  
By a changeless decree,  
And round it hath cast,  
Like a mantle the sea.

Thy bountiful care  
What tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air,  
It shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills,  
It descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distils  
In the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust,  
And feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust,  
Nor find Thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender!  
How firm to the end!  
Our Maker, Defender,  
Redeemer and Friend.

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O measureless Might,  
Ineffable Love,  
While angels delight  
To hymn Thee above,  
Thy humbler creation,  
Though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration  
Shall sing to Thy praise.

Words: Robert Grant 1779 - 1838

Music: Hanover

Melody and bass by William Croft 1678 - 1727

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