

The Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday 13 March 2022



**Southwell
Minster**
THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

3.30pm Evensong

Organ Prelude: *O Gott, du frommer Gott*, Op. 122, No 7 Johannes Brahms (1833-97)

Preces and Responses: Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656)

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis: *Second Service*, William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

INTROIT *sung by the choir from the North Transept*

Jesu, dulcis memoria,
dans vera cordi gaudia;
sed super mel et omnia
ejus dulcis praesentia.

*O Jesu, the sweet thought of you
gives true joy to the heart,
but above that of honey or of any thing
is the sweetness of your presence.*

Durae premunt angustiae,
exaudi preces supplicum;
fluunt amarae lacrymae;
exaudi vota pauperum.

*Cruel straights hem us in,
hear the prayers of those who entreat you;
our tears flow bitter;
hear the prayers of the poor.*

Words: Latin, 12th century

Music: Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

OFFICE HYMN: O kind creator, bow thine ear (*page 11 in Evensong booklet*)

PSALM 135

O praise the Lord, laud ye the Name of the Lord:
praise it, O ye servants of the Lord;
Ye that stand in the house of the Lord:
in the courts of the house of our God.
O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious:
O sing praises unto his Name, for it is lovely.
For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself:
and Israel for his own possession.

For I know that the Lord is great:
and that our Lord is above all gods.
Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth:
and in the sea, and in all deep places.
He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world:
and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the winds out of
his treasures.
He smote the first-born of Egypt:
both of man and beast.
He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou land
of Egypt:
upon Pharaoh, and all his servants.
He smote divers nations:
and slew mighty kings;
Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan:
and all the kingdoms of Canaan;
And gave their land to be an heritage:
even an heritage unto Israel his people.
Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever:
so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.
For the Lord will avenge his people:
and be gracious unto his servants.
As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver and gold:
the work of men's hands.
They have mouths, and speak not:
eyes have they, but they see not.
They have ears, and yet they hear not:
neither is there any breath in their mouths.
They that make them are like unto them:
and so are all they that put their trust in them.
Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel:
praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.
Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi:
ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.
Praised be the Lord out of Sion:
who dwelleth at Jerusalem.

*Chants: John Jones (1728-96), Charles Harford Lloyd (1849-1919)
and Robert Ashfield (1911-2006)*

FIRST READING

Genesis 1: 1–5 ,2: 4–9 and 3: 22–24

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Then the Lord God said, 'See, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever' — therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken. He drove out the man; and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim, and a sword flaming and turning to guard the way to the tree of life.

SECOND READING

Luke 14: 27–33

Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty God,
who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves;
Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM *sung by the choir*

Ne irascaris Domine satis, et ne ultra memineris iniquitatis nostrae. Ecce, respice, populus tuus omnes nos.	<i>Do not let your anger pass all bounds, Lord, and do not remember our iniquity for ever; behold and look upon us; we are your people.</i>
Civitas sancti tui, facta est deserta. Sion deserta facta est. Jerusalem desolata est.	<i>Your holy cities are a wilderness, Zion a wilderness, Jerusalem desolate.</i>

Words: Isaiah 64: 9-10

Music: William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

HOMILY *given by the Revd Paul Rattigan, Canon Missioner*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *led by the Very Revd Nicola Sullivan, Dean of Southwell*

HYMN: Take up thy cross, the Saviour said (NEH 76)

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Tocatta and Fugue in D minor, BWV 565

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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