

The Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday 5 March 2023



3.30pm Evensong

Preces and Responses: Richard Shephard (1949-2021)

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis: *Second Service*, Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

ORGAN PRELUDE

Petit Canon (from Trois Improvisations)

Nadia Boulanger (1887-1979)

INTROIT *sung by the choir from the North Transept*

Now is the healing time decreed
For sins of heart and word and deed,
When we in humble fear record
The wrong that we have done the Lord.

We pray thee, holy Trinity,
One God, unchanging Unity,
That we from this our abstinence
May reap the fruits of penitence. Amen.

Words: Latin, before 12th century
trans. T.A. Lacey (1853-1931)

Tune: ECCE TEMPUS NEH 59 (t. i)
Mode iii

PRECES (*see page 4 of Evensong booklet*)

OFFICE HYMN

O kind Creator, bow thine ear

(page 10 in the Office Hymn booklet)

PSALMODY

Psalm 135

(page 521 in the Book of Common Prayer)

FIRST READING

Numbers 21: 4–9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

MAGNIFICAT (*see page 5 of Evensong booklet*)

SECOND READING

Luke 14: 27–33

Jesus said to the crowds travelling with him, '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.'

NUNC DIMITTIS (*see page 6 of Evensong booklet*)

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*see page 6 of Evensong booklet*)

LESSER LITANY, LORD'S PRAYER AND RESPONSES (*see page 7 of Evensong booklet*)

including

COLLECT FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

THE COLLECT FOR LENT

Almighty and everlasting God,
who hatest nothing that thou hast made,
and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent;
Create and make in us new and contrite hearts,
that we worthily lamenting our sins,
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

ANTHEM *sung by the choir*

Nolo mortem peccatoris,
haec sunt verba salvatoris.

*I do not desire the death of a sinner.
These are the words of the Saviour.*

Father, I am thine only Son, sent
down from heaven mankind to save;
Father, all things fulfilled and done
according to thy will I have.
Father, my will now all is this:
Nolo mortem peccatoris.

Father, behold my painful smart,
taken for man on every side,
e'en from my birth to death most
tart, no kind of pain have I denied,
but suffered all, and all for this:
Nolo mortem peccatoris.

Words: John Redford (d. 1547)

Music: Thomas Morley (c. 1557-1602)

HOMILY *given by the Revd Erika Kirk, Priest Vicar*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *led by the Revd Paul Rattigan, Canon Missioner*

OFFERTORY HYMN *during which a collection is taken for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral*

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

THE BLESSING AND THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Preludio (from Symphony No 2)

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

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