

# CHORAL EVENSONG

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## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TE RĀTAPU TUAONO O HE WĀ NOA

16 February 2025, 5.00 pm

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### Introit

*Blest are the pure in heart*, Henry Walford Davies

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God: the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode. Still to the lowly soul he doth himself impart, and for his cradle and his throne chooseth the pure in heart.

*Please stand when the ambulatory bell is rung as the Dean and Choir process.*

*The Dean welcomes the congregation and makes any announcements.*

### Sentence

Be to me a rock of refuge: a stronghold to keep me safe. You are to me a rock and a fortress: for your name's sake lead me and guide me.

*Psalm 31:3-4*

**Shorter Prayer Book**      *page 15*

**Preces**      Bernard Rose

*Please sit.*

**Psalms 5,6**      *page 146*

*Please stand for Gloria and then sit for the reading.*

**First Reading**      Hosea 10:1-8,12

*After the reading, please stand.*

### Office Hymn

1

O thou who camest from above  
the fire celestial to impart,  
kindle a flame of sacred love  
on the mean altar of my heart!

2

There let it for thy glory burn  
with inextinguishable blaze,  
and trembling to its source return  
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

3

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire  
to work, and speak, and think for thee;  
still let me guard the holy fire,  
and still stir up the gift in me.

4

Ready for all thy perfect will,  
my acts of faith and love repeat;  
till death thy endless mercies seal,  
and make the sacrifice complete.

*Text: C. Wesley*

*Tune: Hereford, AM 258*

**Magnificat** *Evening Service in E minor, Heathcote Statham*

*Please sit.*

**Second Reading** Galatians 4:8-20

*Please stand.*

**Nunc Dimittis** *Evening Service in E minor, Heathcote Statham*

**Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

**Responses** Bernard Rose

*Please sit or kneel after "Let us pray."*

**Collect for Day**

O Lord, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

**Evening Collects** *page 22*

*Please sit.*

**Anthem** *Forget me not, Johann Sebastian Bach*

Forget me not! Then shall I not permit thee to be forgot, oh holy stem of Jesse. Within my heart I will remember thee and all the countless joy and loving kindness which thou unsought, hast shown despite my sin and blindness. Whate'er my lack, whate'er my lot, forget me not! Safe from all harms, my shepherd and my master, within thine arms thou bearest me to pasture. Oh lose me not, my shepherd, from thy care but with thy tender love and wise affection let me beside thee walk in thy divine protection. Oh guide me with thy staff, forget me not!

**Homily** Dean Anne Mills

**Prayers** *(please sit or kneel)*

***Concluding with The Grace***

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

*Please stand.*

**Hymn - during which a collection will be taken.**

**1**

Of the Father's love begotten  
ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega,  
he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been,  
and that future years shall see,  
evermore and evermore!

**2**

O that birth forever blessed,  
when the Virgin, full of grace,  
by the Spirit's power conceiving,  
bore the Saviour of our race;  
and the babe, the world's Redeemer,  
first revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore!

**3**

This is he whom seers and sages  
sang of old with one accord,  
whom the voices of the prophets  
promised in their faithful word;  
now he shines, the long-expected;  
let creation praise its Lord,  
evermore and evermore!

**4**

In the heights of heaven adore him,  
angel hosts his praises sing,  
all dominions bow before him  
and extol our God and King;  
let no tongue on earth be silent,  
every voice together sing,  
evermore and evermore!

**5**

O Light of all the earth,  
thy children wait for thee:  
come to thy temples here,  
that we, from sin set free,  
before thy Father's face  
may all presented be.

*Text: A. C. Prudentius (adapted)*

*Tune: Divinum Mysterium, AM 80*

**Blessing**

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with divine grace to trust God's promises and obey God's will; and the blessing of God the Creator, Jesus the Christ and the Holy Spirit be with you now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**Final Responses**

*Festal Responses, Edward Naylor*

**Organ Sortie**

*played by the Organist*

*You are warmly invited to remain for the Organ Sortie, to pray and reflect.*

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**Cathedral Organist: Dr Philip Smith**

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