



**Perashore Abbey**  
The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross



# FESTIVAL EVENSONG

1 OCTOBER 2023

1700

PERASHORE ABBEY



## THE WELCOME by Canon Claire Lording

### INTROIT

*Locus Iste*

(Anton Bruckner, 1824-1896)

### HYMN

*All stand and sing*

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens adore him by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth,  
in tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth;  
praise him who hath brought you his grace from above,  
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;  
each jubilant chord re-echo around;  
loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone,  
and, sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song  
to him be outpoured all ages along:  
for love in creation, for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!  
(Amen, amen.)

Tune: Laudate Dominum (Parry)

Author: William Henry Baker (1821-1877)

## THE INTRODUCTION TO CONFESSION

*All kneel or sit*

## THE GENERAL CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders; spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, restore thou them that are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

## THE ABSOLUTION

### THE PRECES

(John Reading, 1645-1692)

O Lord, open thou our lips;  
And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.  
O God, make speed to save us;  
O Lord make haste to help us.

*All stand*

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.

Praise ye the Lord;  
The Lord's Name be praised.

*All sit*

## PSALM 150

(Charles Villiers Stanford, 1852-1924)

1. O praise God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.
2. Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
3. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.
4. Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.
5. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.
6. Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

*All stand for the Gloria at the end of the psalm*

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.

*All sit*

### THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 7:1-7

*read by*

*Mr John Alexander*

*All stand*

## MAGNIFICAT

Stanford in G, (Charles Villiers Stanford, 1852-1924)

My soul doth magnify the Lord :  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded :  
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth :  
all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me :  
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him :  
throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm :  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat :  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things :  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :  
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

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.

*All sit*

### THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 3:9-17

*read by*

*The Revd Jayne Parker*

*All stand*

## NUNC DIMITTIS

Stanford in G, (Charles Villiers Stanford, 1852-1924)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.  
For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation.  
Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people;  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
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.

*All remain standing*

## THE 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 living 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.

*All remain standing*

## THE VERSICLES

(John Reading, 1645-1692)

The Lord be with you;  
And with thy spirit.  
Let us pray.

*All kneel or sit*

Lord have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which 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. Amen.

### THE RESPONSES

(John Reading, 1645-1692)

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;  
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King;  
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;  
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people;  
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us;  
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

### THE COLLECTS

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.



## THE ANTHEM

The Choir will sing *Jubilate in B Flat* (Charles Villiers Stanford, 1852-1924)

*All stand*

## HYMN

1. God, that madest earth and heaven,  
darkness and light;  
who the day for toil hast given,  
for rest the night;  
may thine angel-guards defend us,  
slumber sweet thy mercy send us,  
holy dreams and hopes attend us,  
this livelong night.
2. Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,  
and, when we die,  
may we in thy mighty keeping  
all peaceful lie:  
when the last dread call shall wake us,  
do not thou our God forsake us,  
but to reign in glory take us  
with thee on high.

Tune: AR HYD Y NOS  
Author: V.1. Reginal Heber (1783-1826)  
V.2. Richard Whatley (1787-1863)

*All kneel or sit*

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## HYMN

Ye holy angels bright,  
who wait at God's right hand,  
or through the realms of light  
fly at your Lord's command,  
assist our song,  
for else the theme  
too high doth seem  
for mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest,  
who ran this earthly race,  
and now, from sin released,  
behold the Saviour's face,  
his praises sound,  
as in his sight  
with sweet delight  
ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below,  
adore your heavenly King,  
and onward as ye go  
some joyful anthem sing;  
take what he gives  
and praise him still,  
through good and ill,  
who ever lives.

My soul, bear thou thy part,  
triumph in God above,  
and with a well-tuned heart  
sing thou the songs of love;  
let all thy days  
till life shall end,  
whate'er he send,  
be filled with praise.

Tune: DARWALL'S 148th  
Author: Richard Baxter (1615-1691)  
And John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862)  
Music Melody: John Darwall (1731-1789) Harmonised by William Henry Monk (1823-1889)  
Descant by Sydney Hugo Nicolson (1875-1947)

## THE BLESSING

*Clergy and choir process out.*

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### **Organ Voluntary:**

Prelude and Fugue in G Major (541) - J S Bach (1685-1750)

**Organist: Robert Quinney**

**Musical Director: Matthew Martin**

*Please stay for refreshments*



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