



St. Anne's Church, Chingford

Easter 7 21st May 2023

Informal Eucharist 10.00

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We welcome Philip Leonidas Davidzo Jackson-Mitropoulos into the community of the Church through baptism. A warm welcome to his family and friends.

- Welcomers:** Phillip Hallsworth, Jenny Miller
- Server:** Alan Pearson
- Chalice:** Jenny Scotchmer
- Lessons:** Joy Ventour
- Celebrant:** Jude Bullock
- Music:** Peter Stannard



HYMN 33 Alleluia sing to Jesus

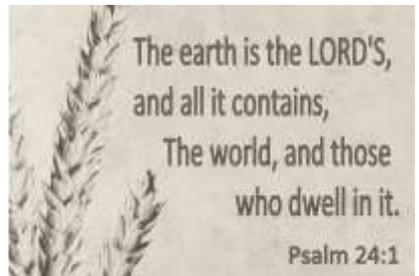
GATHERING

Alleluia Christ is risen

He is risen indeed Alleluia

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS AND BLESSING OF WATER



The earth is the LORD'S,
and all it contains,
The world, and those
who dwell in it.

Psalm 24:1

<i>This week</i>	Wednesday 24th May	11.30	Bible study
	Friday 26th May	10.00	Eucharist
	Sunday 28th May	10.00	Parish Eucharist

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

God our Father, Your gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth; in baptism it is a sign of the washing away of our sins and the gift of life eternal. Sanctify this water, we pray. Renew the living spring of your life within us, that we may be free from sin and filled with your saving health; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



GLORIA

**Glory in the highest to the God of heaven;
Peace to all your people through the Earth be given.
Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring,
Sing Alleluia to our heavenly King**

**Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son;
With the Holy Spirit, you are Lord alone.
Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear,
Show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer.**

**Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy one,
Seated now and reigning from your Father's throne:**

**Lord and God, we praise you! Highest heaven adores:
In the Father's Glory, all the praise be yours!**

COLLECT

Let us pray

Heavenly Father, By the power of your Holy Spirit
you give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism.
Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,
that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow
into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit
now and for ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING

The First Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' 7He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' 9When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. 11They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.' 12Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. 13When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. 14All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

This is the word of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God Alleluia, Alleluia.

HYMN 105 Christ whose glory fills the sky

Gospel John 17.1-11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Alleluia, Alleluia.

All Glory to you, O Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, 2since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 3And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. 4I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. 6'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. 10All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. 11And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia

All Praise to you, O Christ Alleluia, Alleluia.

REFLECTION

HYMN 479 Lord the light of your love is shining

The candidate for Baptism is anointed with oil of catechumens

Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

May the love of Christ guide you every day of your life.

May almighty God restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and service of Christ.

Baptism and Renewal of Baptismal promises

As we celebrate the resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, we remember that through the paschal mystery we have died and been buried with him in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life within the family of his Church. Now we renew the promises made at our baptism, affirming our allegiance to Christ, and our rejection of all that is evil. Therefore I ask these questions:

Do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?

I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil.

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of creation,
and sustain and renew the life of the earth?

With the help of God I will

And now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which you were baptized, and into which Phillip will be baptized. The faith in which you live and grow. Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?

I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ
who redeemed humankind?

I believe and trust in him.



Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

Philip is then brought to the font and water is poured over his head 3
times

Philip Leonidas Davidzo Jackson-Mitropoulos I baptize you
in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayer of blessing for the newly baptised

May your days be long on this rich earth

May you know health, peace and justice

May your life be filled with laughter and fun

May you be surrounded with good friends

May you know what it is to love and be loved.

May your footing be sure and your pathway clear

May the road rise to meet you

May the wind be always at your back

May the sun shine warm upon your face

May the rains fall softly on your head

And may God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit hold you in the hollow of
his hand and may his rich blessing be upon you today and for ever more.

Amen



INTERCESSIONS

In the silence of our hearts, let us pray for those who need to be remembered: For those who have made the headlines today because of what they have done or said:

for those who care for us and for those we care for:

For Philip who today has received new life in baptism

For those who are sick or in trouble:

For those whom the words 'Peace and Justice' bring to mind:

For those for whom we have a special concern.

For our precious mother, the earth, that we learn to care for her and reverse the damage we, the human family, have caused.

For those who have died and those we remember with love and affection.

Finally we pray for ourselves.

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SIGN OF PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

Let us offer to each other a sign of peace

HYMN 277 Hail the day that sees him rise

During this hymn, the gifts are brought to the table

**As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now united on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth**

into your kingdom.

Amen.

The Lord is here.

His spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Almighty God, good Father to us all,
your face is turned towards your world.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son
to rescue us from sin and death.
Your Word goes out to call us home
to the city where angels sing your praise.
We join with them in heaven's song:

Father of all, we give you thanks
for every gift that comes from heaven.
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.
With signs of faith and words of hope
he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.
This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.
On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends
to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:

This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;

he took the cup, gave it and said:

This is my blood, shed for you all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

This is his story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and

this cup

we celebrate the cross

on which he died to set us free.

Defying death he rose again

and is alive with you to plead for us and

all the world.

This is our story.

This is our song:

Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now

that by these gifts we may feed on Christ

with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food

offer ourselves to live for you

and be welcomed at your feast in heaven

where all creation worships you,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessing and honour and glory and power

be yours for ever and ever.

Amen.

And now, as Jesus taught us so we pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.



**Your Kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours.
Now and for 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.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your Peace.**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

Distribution of Holy Communion

Silence is kept.

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen.**

Presentation of the Baptism candle

Through his death and resurrection Jesus has brought the light of hope
into the world. Phillip you have received today the light of Christ; the
light no darkness can overcome. Walk in this light all the days of your

life.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

BLESSING OF PHILIP'S PARENTS, GODPARENTS, FAMILY AND ALL WHO WILL CARE FOR HIM

Faithful and loving God, bless Jason and Natasha, Philip's parents and all those who will care for him. and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith. Pour upon them your healing and reconciling love, and protect their homes from all evil.

Fill them with the light of your presence and establish them in the joy of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Notices

BLESSING

God, who in his Christ gives us a spring of water welling up to eternal life, perfect in you the image of his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

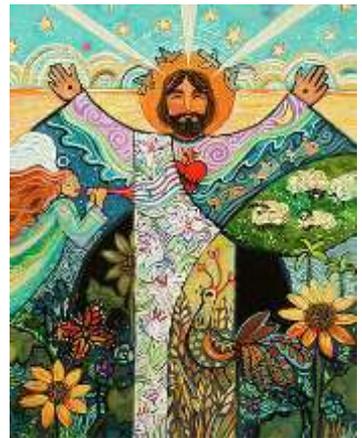
DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord alleluia, alleluia.

In the name of Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia

HYMN 211 From the very depths of darkness



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We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.



A huge thank you to everyone who organized, helped prepare and participated in yesterday's wonderful celebration of our 70th Anniversary.

Ukraine and Eat or Heat - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

JUNE

3rd Open PCC meeting 10.00 am All welcome more info to follow. The meeting will last till about midday and it is an opportunity to discuss the future of our parish, focusing on particular themes which will be announced next week.

11th Songs of praise 5.30pm A service of hymns chosen by you. Hymns are already coming in—thank you for this, keep them coming. Remember it is not only the favourite hymns, but those whose words speak to you.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Anniversaries for May. 2nd Eric Norton, 6th Kathleen Rickard, 12th Lillian Fisher, 18th Michael Tucker, Edna Mortimer, 21st Pauline Warner, 23rd Joan Pinder, 26th Winton Scotchmer, Doris Smy, 30th Winifred Sherman, Peter Potter.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen