

THE BLESSING

May God who kindled the fire of love in the heart of Blessed Martin and all the Saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace. May he give you peace in their fellowship and a share in their eternal joy. The blessing of God almighty, the Father and the Son + and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 478

THE ANGELUS

THE DISMISSAL

The Mass is ended, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen

The Patronal Festival

Today we give thanks to almighty God that the grace of Holy Baptism yielded such fruit in the life of Blessed Martin, the Church in his day and in later generations; had great cause to honour this servant of God as we do today.

Through Holy Baptism we are all made one with Christ and with his Holy Catholic Church in every place and time.

We pray today for this parish that following the example of St. Martin. encouraged by his prayer for us, we may live more faithfully the vocation to which Holy Baptism has called us.

**Saint Martin of Tours
Pray for us**

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SOLEMN HIGH MASS

IN HONOUR OF OUR
PATRON
SAINT MARTIN
OF TOURS

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2014

The Sermon

The Revd. Fr. Michael Gollop
The Vicar of St Arvans, Chepstow

St Martin Liturgical Choir

Mass Setting *Howells* Missa Brevis

This Missa Brevis sung today for the first time, was composed in 2014, is a reflection on the composer's love for choral music.

It is written for mixed-voice choir, organ and two sets of tubular bells.

Beth Howells read Music at Cardiff and obtained a

First Class Degree last year. Beth was one of our Choral Scholars and is currently continuing her studies at Bristol.

Organ Postlude *Vierne, Les Cloches de Hinckley*

Director of Music at St Martin Timothy Hill
Hon Assistant Organist Philip Aspden



SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS - PATRON OF THIS PARISH

Born in about the year 316 in Pannonia (in modern-day Hungary), Martin was a soldier in the Roman army and a Christian. He found the two rôles conflicted and, under the influence of Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, he founded a monastery in Hilary's diocese in the year 360, the first such foundation in Gaul. The religious house was a centre for missionary work in the local countryside, setting a new example where, previously, all Christian activity had been centred in cities and undertaken from the cathedral there. In 372, Martin was elected Bishop of Tours by popular acclaim and he continued his monastic lifestyle as a bishop, remaining in that ministry until his death in the year 397. His great popularity as a saint was promoted largely by the biography of him, written by his friend Sulpicius Severus.



Today, his mortal remains are buried beneath the Basilica in Tours. 2016 will be the 1700 anniversary of his birth. Fr. Hamer is intent on leading a pilgrimage to Tours in France next year to mark that occasion.

INTROIT *Gregorian* Gaudeamus Omnes

Gaudeamus omnes in Domino diem festum celebrantes
sub honore Sancti Martini:
de quorum solemnitate gaudent angeli, et collaudant Filium Dei.

*Let us all rejoice in the Lord celebrating the feast
in honour of Saint Martin,
in which solemnity the angels rejoice, while the Archangels praise the Son of God.*

DURING THE HOLY COMMUNION

O Bread of Heaven, beneath this veil
Thou dost my very God conceal:
My Jesus, dearest treasure, hail!
I love Thee and, adoring, kneel;
Each loving soul by Thee is fed
With Thine own Self in form of Bread.

O food of life, Thou Who dost give
The pledge of immortality;
I live, no 'tis not I that live;
God gives me life, God lives in me:
He feeds my soul, He guides my ways,
And every grief with joy repays.

O Bond of love that dost unite
The servant to his living Lord;
Could I dare live and not requite
Such love - then death were meet reward:
I cannot live unless to prove
Some love for such unmeasured love.

Beloved Lord, in Heaven above
There, Jesus, Thou awaitest me,
To gaze on Thee with endless love;
Yes, thus I hope, thus shall it be:
For how can He deny me Heaven,
Who here on earth Himself hath given?

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Father, we thank you for your servant Martin in whom we see the loving service of Christ. May we who receive these holy mysteries be faithful in the ministries to which you call us, and come at last with Martin and all the Saints to the eternal banquet of your Son. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest Let us pray in confidence to the Father,
in the words our Saviour gave us.

**Our Father, who 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.
For thine is the kingdom
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ
Though we are many, we are one body, for we all share in one bread

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed

The Choir sing: **Agnus Dei**

Howells Missa Brevis

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.



ENTRANCE HYMN 205

Veneration of the Icon of Saint Martin

**A PRAYER TO OUR PATRON BY CARDINAL JEAN HONORÉ,
ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS OF TOURS**

Blessed Martin, we come to you. Soldier of God, Apostle of Christ.
Witness of his Gospel and pastor of his Church,
We ask your intercession.
You were in God's presence in the great silence of solitary nights.
Give us the strength to remain faithful in faith and in prayer.
Catechumen, you gave to the beggar half of your coat.
Help us to share with our brothers and sisters in need.
In the fields and the woods, you defied the devil and cast down his idols.
Be with us and protect us from evil.
In the evening of your life you carried still the weight of the days and labour.
Make us meek before our Father's will. In glorious heaven,
you enjoy your rest in the house of God.
Place in our hearts the desire to join you and to know by your side,
the joy of blessed eternity.

Saint Martin of Tours **Pray for us**

+ In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

Brothers and sisters that we may worthily celebrate this Mass and so enter into the realms of grace and light with Bl Martin and all Saints - let us look toward the Lord seeking his mercy as we acknowledge our own sins.

Kyrie eleison

Howells Missa Brevis

Heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and have failed to do what we ought to have done.
We are sorry and truly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and lead us in his way
to walk as children of light. Amen

The priest gives the Absolution

GLORIA

Howells Missa Brevis

Gloria in excelsis Deo
Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te.
Benedicimus te.
Adoramus te.
Glorificamus te.
Gratiam agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus.
Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

COLLECT

Almighty God who called St Martin from the armies of this world to be a faithful
soldier of Christ:
give us grace to follow him in his love and compassion for the needy, and enable your
Church to claim for all people their inheritance as the children of God;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Invitation to Prayer

Pray my brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the
almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

The Prayer over the Gifts

Lord God, bless these gifts which your people bring on this feast of Martin of Tours.
May our participation in this Mass help us to follow his example in the Church today.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise

The Preface of Saints

Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we proclaim you
great and glorious name for ever praising you and saying:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Howells Missa Brevis

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE PEACE

THE OFFERTORY

NEH 295



GIFT DAY

*Have you made you extra special gift marking the Patronal Feast?
We are all invited to make that extra financial gift today
supporting the work and ministry of this Church
Thank You*

LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the Book Deuteronomy.

If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the Lord your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbour. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, "Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbour in your land."

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 88 (89)



I will sing for ever of your love O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **R/**

I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: I will establish your dynasty for ever and set up your throne through all ages. **R/**

I have found David my servant and with my holy oil anointed him. My hand shall always be with him and my arm shall make him strong. **R/**

My truth and my love shall be with him; by my name his might shall be exalted. He will say to me: "You are my father, my God, the rock who saves me." **R/**

A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you

like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God



I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you, says the Lord.

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you
And also with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord

The king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

THE SERMON

The Revd Fr Michael Gollop

The Vicar of St Arvans, Chepstow

THE NICENE CREED

Credo III (De Angelis)

Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem,
factorem coeli et terrae, visibilium omnium et invisibilium.
Et in unum Dominum Jesum Christum, Filium Dei unigenitum.

Et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula.

Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Deum verum de Deo vero.

Genitum, non factum, consubstantialem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt.

Qui propter nos homines, et propter nostram salutem descendit de coelis. (*All Kneel*)

Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine:

ET HOMO FACTUS EST. (*All Rise*)

Crucifixus etiam pro nobis; sub Pontio Pilato passus, et sepultus est.

Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas.

Et ascendit in coelum: sedet ad dexteram Patris.

Et iterum venturus est cum gloria judicare vivos et mortuos cujus regni non erit finis.

Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem: qui ex Patre Filioque procedit.

Qui cum Patre, et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur: qui locutus est per Prophetas.

Et unam, sanctam, catholicam et apostolicam Ecclesiam.

Confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum.

Et exspecto resurrectionem mortuorum.

Et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen.