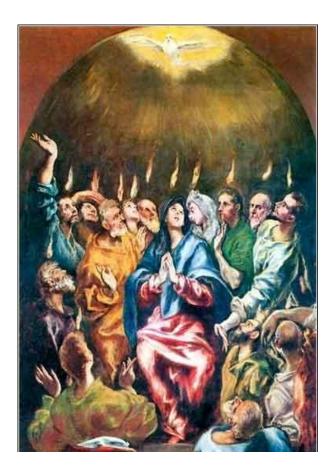
## GONVILLE & CAIUS COLLEGE CHAPEL

## Easter Term 2021

# **VESPERS** for **PENTECOST**



Vespers is the sixth of the seven prayer services of the Christian day. Its name comes from the Latin *vespera*, which means 'evening.' When Thomas Cranmer created the English Prayer Book in 1549 and 1552 he combined Vespers with the night service (compline) into the service we know as Evensong. Magnificat is the Gospel Canticle of Vespers, as Nunc Dimittis is the Gospel Canticle of Compline. The service ends with a traditional antiphon (a special seasonal text, from which comes our modern word 'anthem') in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

For this service, all persons present worship as a single body. Please sit, stand, and kneel with the Dean, except for the Little Chapter, Reflection and Prayers, when you remain seated (with the choir)

## Sunday 23rd May

## LUCERNARIUM (The Lighting of the Lamps)

Thy word is a lantern unto my feet and a light unto my paths.

Thou also shalt light my candle the Lord my God shall make my darkness to be light.

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you **and with thy spirit**.

*Light Prayer* Blessed art thou, Sovereign Lord, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to thee be glory and praise for ever. Thou hast called us out of darkness into thy marvellous light that our lives may reflect thy glory and our lips repeat thy song: **Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.** 

#### HYMN

LUCIS Creator optime	O BLEST Creator of the light,
lucem dierum proferens,	who mak'st the day with radiance bright,
primordiis lucis novae,	and o'er the forming world didst call
mundi parans originem:	the light from chaos first of all;
Qui mane iunctum vesperi	Whose wisdom joined in meet array
diem vocari praecipis:	the morn and eve, and named them Day:
taetrum chaos illabitur,	night comes with all its darkling fears;
audi preces cum fletibus.	regard Thy people's prayers and tears.
Praesta, Pater piissime,	O Father, that we ask be done,
Patrique compar Unice,	through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son;
cum Spiritu Paraclito	who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee
regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.	doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

### VESPERS

℣ O God make speed to save us.ℜ O Lord, make haste to help us.

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. Alleluia.

#### PSALMODY

#### Psalm 104

Antiphon (*repeated after the psalm*)*Dum complerentur dies Pentecostes, erant omnes pariter dicentes, alleluia.*When the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all together, saying: Alleluia

- 24 O Lord, how manifold are thy works in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.
- 25 So is the great and wide sea also wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.
- 26 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.
- 27 These wait all upon thee that thou mayest give them meat in due season.
- 28 When thou givest it them they gather it and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.
- 29 When thou hidest thy face they are troubled when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.
- 30 When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

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. To mark our celebration of the Easter season in Chapel, this canticle is sung

#### Apocalypse Canticle

#### Antiphon

*Laudem dicite Deo nostro, omnes servieius, pusilli et magni, alleluia* Praise our God, all his servants, both small and great, alleluia

Alleluia. Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God. Alleluia. For true and righteous are his judgements. Alleluia. Praise our God, all ye his servants. Alleluia. And ye that fear him, both small and great. Alleluia. For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Alleluia. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him. Alleluia For the marriage of the Lamb is come. Alleluia. And his wife hath made herself ready. Alleluia. Glory be to the Father and to the Son. Alleluia. And to the Holy Ghost. Alleluia. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: Alleluia. World without end. Amen. Alleluia.

#### LITTLE CHAPTER Isaiah 11.1-2

And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD.

#### REFLECTION

#### **HYMN** Veni, creator Spiritus

Veni, creator Spiritus, mentes tuorum visita, imple superna gratia, quae tu creasti, pectora.

Qui diceris Paraclitus, donum Dei altissimi, fons vivus, ignis, caritas, et spiritalis unctio.

Tu septiformis munere, dextrae Dei tu digitus, tu rite promissum Patris, sermone ditans guttura.

Accende lumen sensibus, infunde amorem cordibus, infirma nostri corporis virtute firmans perpeti.

Hostem repellas longius pacemque dones protinus; ductore sic te praevio vitemus omne noxium.

Per te sciamus da Patrem noscamus atque Filium, te utriusque Spiritum credamus omni tempore. COME holy ghost eternall God proceedinge from above, Both from the father and the sonne, the God of peace and love: Vysyte oure myndes, and into us, thy heavenly grace inspyre; That in all trueth and godlynesse, we may have true desyre. Thou art the very comforter, in al woe and distresse: The heavenly gyfte of God moste highe, whych no tongue can expresse. The fountayne and the lively springe, of joye celestiall: The fyre so brighte, the love so clere, and Unction spirituall. Thou in thy gyftes arte manifolde, whereby Christes Churche doeth stande: In faythfull heartes wrytinge thy lawe, the fynger of Goddes hande. According to thy promes made, thou gevest speache of grace; That throughe thy helpe, the prayse of God, may sounde in every place. O holy ghoste, into oure wittes, sende downe thyne heavenly lyght; Kyndle our heartes wyth fervent love, to serve God daye and nyght. Strength and stablishe all oure weakenes, so feble and so frayle: That neyther fleshe, the worlde, nor devyl, agaynste us do prevayle. Put backe oure enemie farre from us, and graunte us to obtayne: Peace in our heartes with God and man, withoute grudge or disdayne. And graunt O Lorde that thou beyng, oure leader and oure guyde; We may eschewe the snares of synne, and from thee never slyde. To us such plentie of thy grace, good Lord graunt we thee praye: That thou mayest bee oure comforter, at the laste dreadfull daye. Of all stryfe and dissencion, O Lorde, dissolve the bandes: And make the knottes of peace and love, throughoute all Christien landes. Graunte us O Lorde, throughe thee to knowe the father most of myght; That of hys deare beloved sonne we may attayne the syght. And that wyth perfect fayth also, we may acknowledge thee; The Spirite of them both alwaye, one God in persones three. Laude and prayse be to the father, and to the sonne equall: And to the holy spyryte also, one God coeternall. And praye we that the onely sonne, vouchesafe hys spyryte to sende; To all that do professe hys name, unto the worldes ende. Amen.

*This free adaptation of the Latin hymn comes from the second Prayer Book of Edward VI (1552)* 

℣ The Spirit of God moves upon the face of the waters, alleluia.
ℜ The breath of the Almighty has given us life, alleluia.

#### MAGNIFICAT St John's Evening Service Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Antiphon §i

*Hodie completi sunt dies Pentecostes, alleluia; hodie Spiritus Sanctus in igne discipulis apparuit, et tribuit eis charismatum dona (i)* 

This day the fifty days are fulfilled, alleluia; this day the Holy Spirit appeared in flame to the disciples, and bestowed on them gifts of graces.

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden. 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 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.

Antiphon §ii

*Misi eos in universum mundum praedicare et testificari, qui crediderit, et baptizatus fuerit, salvus erit, alleluia (ii)* 

I sent them into all the world to preach and bear witness, so that anyone who believes and is baptised will be saved, Alleluia.

#### **PRAYERS** These end with the following

The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

*The Collect for the day* 

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

#### **MOTET** *Repleti sunt omnes spiritu sancto*

Dominique Phinot (1510-56)

Repléti sunt ómnes Spíritu sáncto, et coepérunt lóqui, próut Spíritus sanctus dábat elóqui íllis, et convénit multitúdo dicéntium: allelúya. All were filled with the Holy Spirit, and they began to speak, just as the holy Spirit gave them utterance, and there gathered a multitude saying: Alleluia.

#### CONCLUSION

Dominus vobiscum	The Lord be with you
Et cum spiritu tuo	And with thy spirit
Benedicamus Domino	Let us bless the Lord
Deo gratias	Thanks be to God.

*Defunctorum animae per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace.* May the souls of the departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

#### **REGINA CAELI**

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia;	Queen of heaven, rejoice,
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,	For the one you were worthy to bear
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:	Has risen, as he promised:
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.	Pray for us to God.
Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia.	Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary
Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.	For the Lord has risen indeed.

#### DR CAIUS'S PRAYER for daily use in the College

*Deus pacis et dilectionis maneat semper nobiscum.* The God of peace and love remain with us always.

#### ORGAN POSTLUDE

Veni Creator: Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux (de Grigny) Nicolas de Grigny (1672-1703)

Remain seated at the end of the Postlude until the Dean has said a concluding prayer.