

# **CANON FRANCIS O'SULLIVAN**



WEDNESDAY, 20TH JANUARY 2021 12 NOON ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, PURLEY, SURREY

#### **CELEBRANT**

THE MOST REVEREND JOHN WILSON, ARCHBISHOP OF SOUTHWARK

# **ENTRANCE PROCESSION**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty (Instrumental)

# THE WELCOME

# PENITENTIAL RITE

**OPENING PRAYER** 

## FIRST READING

Timothy Wood A Reading from the Book of Revelation 14:13

I John, heard a voice from heaven say to me: `Write down:

Happy are those who die in the Lord! Happy indeed, the Spirit says; now they can rest for ever after their work, since their good deeds go with them.'

The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM**

Sung by Cantor
The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want,
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green, he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake. Yea though I walk in death's dark vale,

yet will I fear none ill.

For thou art with me and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes, my head thou dost with oil anoint and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me. And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

#### SECOND READING

David O'Sullivan
A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (8: 14-23)

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, `Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children, we are heirs as well: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole of creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons.

From the beginning until now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the First-born from the dead,

To him be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia!

## THE GOSPEL

Deacon Philip: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit

Deacon Philip: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to

John (17:24-26)

People: Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: `Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me because you loved mf before the foundation of the world. Father, Righteous One, the world has not known you, but I have known you, and these have known that you have sent me. I have made your name known to them and will continue to make it known so that the love with which you have me may be in them, and so that I may be in them

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### HOMILY

Canon Jim Pannett

## **INTERCESSIONS**

Read by Geoff and Gina Poulter and Brian and Maureen Devine After each intercession:

Reader: Lord in your mercy **People: Hear our prayer.** 

# **OFFERTORY HYMN**

In bread we bring you, Lord, our bodies' labour. (Instrumental only)

# **COMMUNION HYMN**

O Jesus Christ, remember, when thou shalt come again. (*Instrumental only*)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

# AN APPRECIATION OF THE LIFE OF CANON FRANK

Andrew Wood

# FINAL COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

# **FINAL HYMN**

Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord! (*Instrumental only*)

