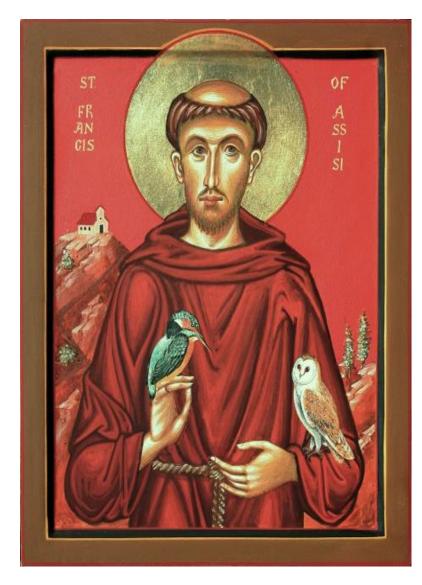
# Feast of St Francis: Pet Service 2021



The Priest says: The Words of Welcome and the

## **Opening Prayer:**

Heavenly Father, as we today give thanks for the Patron Saint of animals, St Francis of Assisi, who lovingly cared for animals, so may we, following his example, also appreciate, care for and look after all animals but particularly the pets you have given us; we ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen** 

# Hymn: 26 - All things bright and Beautiful

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, Each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colours, He made their tiny wings. All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

The purple-headed mountain, The river running by, The sunset and the morning, That brightens up the sky; refrain

The cold wind in the winter, The pleasant summer sun, The ripe fruits in the garden, He made them every one; refrain

He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell How great is God Almighty, Who has made all things well. *refrain* 

# The Reading from the Bible: Some verses from Psalm 104:

Praise the LORD, my soul! O LORD, my God, how great you are! You are clothed with majesty and glory; 2 you cover yourself with light. You have spread out the heavens like a tent 3 and built your home on the waters above.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>11</sup>The springs provide water for the wild animals; there the wild donkeys guench their thirst. <sup>12</sup> In the trees near by, the birds make their nests and sing. <sup>13</sup> From the sky you send rain on the hills, and the earth is filled with your blessings. <sup>14</sup> You make grass grow for the cattle and plants for us to use, so that we can grow our crops 15 and produce wine to make us happy, olive oil to make us cheerful. and bread to give us strength.

- <sup>16</sup> The cedars of Lebanon get plenty of rain the LORD's own trees, which he planted.
- <sup>17</sup> There the birds build their nests; the storks nest in the fir trees.
- <sup>18</sup> The wild goats live in the high mountains, and the rock badgers hide in the cliffs.
- <sup>19</sup> You created the moon to mark the months; the sun knows the time to set.
- <sup>20</sup> You made the night, and in the darkness all the wild animals come out.
- <sup>21</sup> The young lions roar while they hunt, looking for the food that God provides.
- <sup>22</sup> When the sun rises, they go back and lie down in their dens.
- <sup>23</sup> Then people go out to do their work and keep working until evening.
- <sup>24</sup> LORD, you have made so many things!
  How wisely you made them all!
  The earth is filled with your creatures.
- <sup>31</sup> May the glory of the LORD last forever! May the LORD be happy with what he has made!
- <sup>33</sup> I will sing to the LORD all my life;
  as long as I live I will sing praises to my God.
  Praise the LORD, my soul!

# Hymn: 736 - Who put the colours in the rainbow?

Who put the colours in the rainbow?, Who put the salt into the sea?, Who put the old into the snowflake?, Who made you and me? Who put the hump upon the camel?, Who put the neck upon the Giraffe?, Who put the tail upon the monkey?, Who made hyeanas laugh?, Who made wails and snail quails?, Who made hogs and dogs and frogs?, Who made mats and rats and cats?, Who made everything? Who put the gold into the sunshine?, Who put the sparkle in the stars?, Who put the silver in the moonlight?, Who made Earth and Mars?, Who put the scent into the roses?, Who taught the honey bee to dance?, Who put the tree inside the acorn?, It surely can't be chance?, Who made seas and leaves and trees?, Who made snow and winds that blow?, Who made streams and rivers flow?, God made all of these!

#### Sermon

#### Hymn: 167 - For the beauty of the earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies, *Refrain: Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

Refrain:

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and brain's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

Refrain:

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

# Refrain:

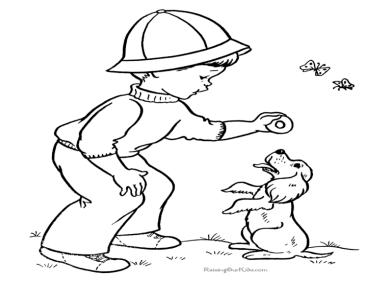
*Refrain:* 

## The Prayers:

Heavenly Father, we thank you ... Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

Father, our pets give us... Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

Father, help us .... Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer



Heavenly Father, we offer all these prayers in honour of St Francis and do so to your praise and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

## The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 6 – 'All creatures of our God and king' - based on the words of St Francis of Assisi

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beams, thou silver moon that gently gleams, *O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*  Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O praise him, Alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia, alleluia! Thou fire so masterful and bright, that givest man both warmth and light, *O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* 

Dear mother earth, who day by day unfoldest blessings on our way, O praise him, Alleluia! The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, let them his glory also show: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Blessing------

CHURCH PILGRIMAGE RETREAT FOR ST LUKE'S AND ST PETER'S LAITY to Walsingham 08-11 Oct 2021. Father Michael who is Co-Leader of this with Father Nick, will therefore be away on the 10 Oct. On 10 Oct <u>there will not be an 0800</u> Mass. The 1030 Service on 10 Oct for TRINITY 19, will be 'Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament with Sermon', led by Lay Reader Mrs Angela Le Sueur. My thanks to Angela.

TODAY'S TEAM at 1030: Almoner-Jean V; Welcomer-Howard B; Lector-Geoffrey G; Flowers-Jean V.