

The Roughton Benefice

Sunday

10 November 2019 3RD before Advent

Collect

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars
shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace
of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading: Job 19:23-27a

²³ 'O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!

²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!

²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon
the earth; ²⁶ and after my skin has been
thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall
see God, ²⁷ whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not
another.

Psalm 17:1-9

¹ Hear a just cause, O LORD; attend to my
cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free
of deceit.

² From you let my vindication come; let
your eyes see the right.

³ If you try my heart, if you visit me by
night, if you test me, you will find no
wickedness in me; my mouth does not
transgress.

⁴ As for what others do, by the word of
your lips I have avoided the ways of the
violent.

⁵ My steps have held fast to your paths;
my feet have not slipped.

⁶ I call upon you, for you will answer me,
O God; incline your ear to me, hear my
words.

⁷ Wondrously show your steadfast love,
O saviour of those who seek refuge from
their adversaries at your right hand.

⁸ Guard me as the apple of the eye; hide
me in the shadow of your wings,

⁹ from the wicked who despoil me, my
deadly enemies who surround me.

Second Reading

2 Thess 2:1-5, 13-end

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the
Thessalonian Christians*

² As to the coming of our Lord Jesus
Christ and our being gathered together
to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters,
² not to be quickly shaken in mind or
alarmed, either by spirit or by word or
by letter, as though from us, to the
effect that the day of the Lord is already
here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any
way; for that day will not come unless
the rebellion comes first and the lawless
one is revealed, the one destined for
destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts
himself above every so-called god or
object of worship, so that he takes his
seat in the temple of God, declaring
himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not
remember that I told you these things
when I was still with you?

¹³ But we must always give thanks to
God for you, brothers and sisters
beloved by the Lord, because God chose
you as the first fruits for salvation
through sanctification by the Spirit and
through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this
purpose he called you through our
proclamation of the good news, so that
you may obtain the glory of our Lord
Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and
sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the
traditions that you were taught by us,
either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself
and God our Father, who loved us and
through grace gave us eternal comfort
and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts
and strengthen them in every good
work and word.

Gospel Luke 20:27-38

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke*

²⁷ Some Sadducees, those who say there
is no resurrection, came to him ²⁸ and
asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses
wrote for us that if a man's brother dies,
leaving a wife but no children, the man
shall marry the widow and raise up
children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there
were seven brothers; the first married,
and died childless; ³⁰ then the second
³¹ and the third married her, and so in
the same way all seven died childless.
³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ In the
resurrection, therefore, whose wife will
the woman be? For the seven had
married her.'

³⁴ Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong
to this age marry and are given in
marriage; ³⁵ but those who are
considered worthy of a place in that age
and in the resurrection from the dead
neither marry nor are given in marriage.
³⁶ Indeed they cannot die any more,
because they are like angels and are
children of God, being children of the
resurrection. ³⁷ And the fact that the
dead are raised Moses himself showed,
in the story about the bush, where he
speaks of the Lord as the God of
Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God
of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is God not of the
dead, but of the living; for to him all of
them are alive.'

Post Communion

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ
proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to
wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the
anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and
nations;
through our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ.