

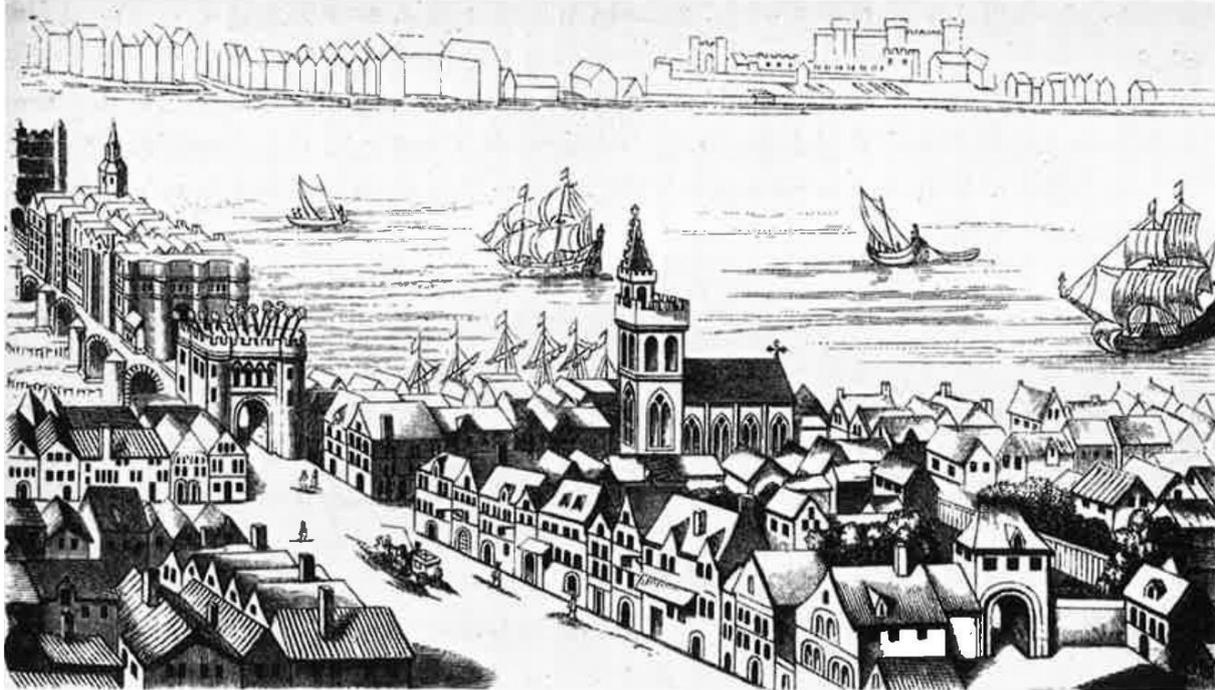
# **ST OLAVE'S AND ST SAVIOUR'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL**



## **SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION AND THANKSGIVING**

**Thursday 6th May 2021  
Recorded in the School Chapel**





1632. St. Olave's Church with ships moored alongside and St. Olave's School adjoining.  
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## ORDER OF SERVICE

Piano - Mr M G Price, MA (Cantab) Director of Music  
*Ein Feste Burg Ist Unser Gott* by J. Walther.

**Welcome** – Vice Captain Mitra Stainsbury

Welcome to our service of Commemoration

Usually, we would be at Southwark Cathedral, but the Pandemic has once again prevented that. We are here in the school Chapel to commemorate 450 years since the Royal Charter for our school. We are here to thank God for those who had the vision to begin this work and for those, who over many years, have continued to work in our school.

Let us Pray:

Lord bless this service, our Act of Commemoration and all who will be a part of this service either remotely or here with us now.

AMEN

Chaplain            The Lord be with you  
*All*                    *And also with you.*

Chaplain            Dear friends, we have come into the presence of God, to thank Him for the many blessings which our school has received at his hands, to commemorate before Him the founders and benefactors of our school, and to dedicate ourselves afresh to His way of Wisdom and Love.

Chaplain            O Lord, open our lips  
*All*                    *And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.*

Chaplain            Let us worship the Lord.  
*All*                    *Praise to His name.*

Chaplain            As Jesus taught us, so we pray:  
*All*                    *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.*

Chaplain            O God, our Father, we thank you for St Olave's School and for all who have worked to make it what it is today. Help us to build on the foundations which have been laid, so that the fruit of true learning may abound, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*All*                    *Amen.*

**The New Testament reading is taken from Acts chapter 10**  
Read by School Captains Joshua Selfridge and Rose Hind

<sup>22</sup> The visitors spoke to Peter, "We have come from Cornelius the centurion. He is a righteous and God-fearing man, who is respected by all the Jewish people. A holy angel told him to ask you to come to his house so that he could hear what you have to say."<sup>23</sup> Then Peter invited the men into the house to be his guests.

The next day Peter started out with them, and some of the believers from Joppa went along.<sup>24</sup> The following day he arrived in Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends.<sup>25</sup> As Peter entered the house, Cornelius met him and fell at his feet in reverence.<sup>26</sup> But Peter made him get up. "Stand up," he said, "I am only a man myself."

<sup>27</sup> While talking with him, Peter went inside and found a large gathering of people.<sup>28</sup> He said to them: "You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with or visit a Gentile. But God has shown me that I should not call anyone impure or unclean.<sup>29</sup> So when I was sent for, I came without raising any objection. May I ask why you sent for me?"

<sup>30</sup> Cornelius answered: "Three days ago I was in my house praying at this hour, at three in the afternoon. Suddenly a man in shining clothes stood before me<sup>31</sup> and said, 'Cornelius, God has

heard your prayer and remembered your gifts to the poor. <sup>32</sup> Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. He is a guest in the home of Simon the tanner, who lives by the sea.' <sup>33</sup> So I sent for you immediately, and it was good of you to come. Now we are all here in the presence of God to listen to everything the Lord has commanded you to tell us."

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favouritism <sup>35</sup> but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. <sup>36</sup> You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. <sup>48</sup> So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Chaplain

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Choristers            Thomas Blew   Francis Ikenye   Tom Sears   Sacha Stevens

*Lift Thine Eyes* by Mendelssohn.

Accompanied by Mr M G Price MA (Cantab) Director of Music

*Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes*

*to the mountains, whence cometh help.*

*Thy help cometh from the Lord,*

*the maker of heaven and earth.*

*He hath said, thy foot shall not be moved.*

*Thy Keeper will never slumber.*

### **The Act of Commemoration:**

Head Teacher

Let us remember before God all those who by their generosity, devotion and service have conferred great and lasting benefits upon our School. May their example serve as an inspiration to us here today and to those who follow us.

Vice Captain  
Ayomide  
Akande

For HENRY LEEKE of Southwark, who in 1560 provided in his Will for the founding of a Free Grammar School in the parish of St Olave, and also the sixteen first Governors, who, at their own expense, obtained from Queen Elizabeth a Charter dated 26<sup>th</sup> July 1571,

*All*

Father in Heaven

*We give you thanks and praise*

Vice Captain  
Sheena  
Akende

For those by whom was founded the Grammar School of the adjacent parish of St Saviour, also in Southwark, especially THOMAS CURE, Chief Mover among the six original Governors of that School; for these Benefactors, aided by JOHN BINGHAM, who planned, erected and developed that School, obtained letters patent of 4<sup>th</sup> June 1562, and drew up far-seeing Rules for the high purpose of bringing up youth in faith, learning and high moral standards,

*All*

Father in heaven,  
*We give you thanks and praise.*

Vice Captain  
Georgia Higgins

For all to whom we are indebted for our buildings and their furnishings, all who have enriched us by gifts of Lands, Houses or other Property, and all those who have given Books, endowed Lectures, or founded Exhibitions and Scholarships, especially RICHARD DOWSETT, VASSAL WEBLYNG, DAME MARGARET OSBORN, RANDALL CARTER, DOROTHY APPLEBY, WILLIAM HEBERDEN, ROBERT TYLER, OSCAR GRIDLEY and FREDERICK WILLIAM POTTO HICKS,

*All*

Father in heaven,  
*We give you thanks and praise.*

Vice Captain  
Srikar  
Namireddy

For past Pupils, Staff and Headteachers of this ancient and honourable Foundation, by whose talent, learning and devotion the welfare of this School has been fostered for the good of this country and the honour of your Name,

*All*

Father in heaven,  
*We give you thanks and praise.*

Vice Captain  
William Song

For the Governors of our Foundation, by whom the Free Grammar Schools of St Olave and St Saviour have been fostered through four and a half centuries, especially JOHN LAMB, WILLIAM BROWKER, THOMAS BULLMAN, PHILIP HENSLOWE, JOHN MARSHALL, ROBERT HARVARD, GEORGE MEGGOTT, GILES PILCHER and HUBERT SECRETAN; for all these Benefactors, and for many whose names and services have passed unrecorded, we give you thanks, rejoicing that this day we can express our thankfulness and perpetuate their Memory.

Head Teacher

We pray for the future of our School, that staff, pupils and all involved in its work may pursue and preserve for future generations its ideals, values and scholarship as our Founders intended.

*All*

Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

## Concluding Prayer:

Vice Captain  
Ishkaar Ujoodia

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father,  
Guide us with your gracious favour,  
and further us with your continual help;  
that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you,  
we may glorify your holy name,  
and by your mercy attain everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## School Prayer

We say together our school Prayer:

*Eternal God,  
Help us through our duty to you to love our neighbour,  
to care for others, to do our best for and in school, to  
work for the common good of our community, and to  
care for ourselves as we serve you. Amen*

Chaplain

### **The Blessing:**

Go forth into the world in peace;  
be of good courage;  
hold fast to that which is good;  
render to no one evil for evil;  
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;  
help the afflicted;  
honour everyone;  
love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you, and remain with you always.  
Amen.

“Great Hall Organ”

Thomas Blew

*Magnificat* by F. Guilmant

We have once again not been able to meet together for this very special service. We have recorded this shortened service in the School Chapel observing strict Social Distancing measures. We hope this service order will help you celebrate at home, remembering those who made this school possible by answering the call from God.

May God richly bless you.

Head Teacher - Mr Andrew Rees BSc

Chaplain - Reverend Dr Julie Bowen

