ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL CHURCH, NAIROBI

THE ORDER FOR

Morning Prayer

On 15th November 2026

At 11:30 am

THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

TODAY'S TOPIC: REST AT LAST

Leader: **Assistant Provost**

Assisted by: **Samson Dere**

Preacher: **Rev'd Geoffrey Njenga**

Live Stream by ASC: Facebook and YouTube

THEME FOR THE YEAR: God Never Fails (Joshua 21:45)

ORDER OF THE SERVICE

NOTES

I. *This service flows as provided in the programme without announcements***.**

II. *Families are encouraged to use this liturgy to follow the live stream service and respond according*

III. *The service program is found on the Cathedral Website www.allsaintsnairobi.org*

[People Stand during the procession]

1. WELCOME REMARKS

2. OPENING HYMN: *This is the day the Lord hath made*

This is the day the Lord hath made,
He calls the hours his own;
Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad,
And praise surround the throne.

To-day he rose and left the dead,
And Satan's empire fell;
To-day the saints his triumphs spread,
And all his wonders tell.

Hosanna to the anointed King,
To David's holy Son!
O help us, Lord, descend and bring
Salvation from thy throne.

Blest be the Lord, who comes to men,
With messages of grace;
Who comes, in God his Father's name,
To save our sinful race.

Hosanna in the highest strains
The Church on earth can raise;
The highest heavens in which he reigns
Shall give him nobler praise.

(People remain standing)

3. CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you**

Leader: We have come together, the people of God, drawn by his spirit, longing for his word, to praise the holy name of the Lord, to share his glorious news of grace, to pray for our needs and the pain of the world, to rejoice in his love and be sent in his peace.

Leader: We are heirs of the Father;
People: **joint heirs with the son,**

Leader: Renewed in the Spirit,
People: **together we are one**

4. CONFESSION

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and there is no truth in us. If we confess our sins, in repentance and trust, God is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins. So let us confess them to our Father

(People Kneel/Sit)

All: **Eternal Father, God of our ancestors, before your power all things tremble but through your son, we approach your throne. We have done wrong and neglected to do right; our sins weigh heavily on our hearts: Lord have mercy, count them not against us. Grant us the joy of forgiveness and lighten our hearts with the glory of Christ, who died and rose again for us. Amen.**

5. ABSOLUTION

Minister: The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ rejoices at repentance and declares his acceptance. The dead are alive, the lost are found.

His goodness and mercy will follow you all the days of our life, and you will live in the house of the Lord for ever. **Amen.**

6. RESPONSES (sung)

Leader: Blessed are those who live in your house:
People: **They will be always singing your praise.**

Leader: Praise the Lord.
People: **The name of the Lord be praised.**

(People Stand)

Leader: Glory to the Father to whom all things began,
All: **Glory to the Son who became the Son of Man, Glory to the Spirit who inspires and renews, The Lord Our God for ever! Alleluia!**

(*People remain standing)*

(Then the Psalm is sung)

7. PSALM 108 *(Paratum cor meum)*

1 O God my heart is ready, my ' heart is ' ready : I will sing and give praise with the best ' member ' that I ' have.

2 Awake thou ' lute and ' harp : I myself ' will a'wake right ' early.

3 I will give thanks unto thee O Lord a'mong the ' people : I will sing praises unto ' thee a'mong the ' nations.

4 For thy mercy is greater ' than the ' heavens : and thy truth ' reacheth ' unto the ' clouds.

5 Set up thyself O God a'bove the ' heavens : and thy glory a'bove ' all the ' earth.

6 That thy beloved may ' be de'livered : let thy right hand save ' them and ' hear thou ' me.

7 God hath spoken ' in his ' holiness : I will rejoice therefore and divide Sichem, and mete ' out the ' valley of ' Succoth.

8 Gilead is mine and Ma'nasses is ' mine : Ephraim also is the ' strength of ' my ' head.

9 Judah is my law-giver, Moab ' is my ' wash-pot : over Edom will I cast out my shoe, upon Phi'listia ' will I ' triumph.

10 Who will lead me into the ' strong ' city : and who will ' bring me ' into ' Edom?

11 Hast not thou forsaken ' us O ' God : and wilt not thou O ' God go ' forth with our ' hosts?

12 O help us a'gainst the ' enemy : for vain is the ' help of ' man.

13 Through God we shall ' do great ' acts : and it is he that ' shall tread ' down our ' enemies.

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. ' A'men.

(People Sit)

8. FIRST READING: Joshua 21:1-8, 43 – 45 ***Patrick Lumumba***

9. SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:5-6 ***Christine Lorna***

(People Stand)

10. THE SONG ZECHARIAH (Benedictus)

(Luke 1:68-79)

1. Blessed be the Lord ' God of ' Israel : for he has come to his ' people and ' set them ' free.
2. He has raised up for us a ' mighty ' saviour : born of the ' house of his ' servant ' David.

3. Through his holy prophets he ' promised of ' old : that he would save us from our enemies, from the ' hands of ' all that ' hate us.
4. He promised to show mercy ' to our ' fathers : and to re'member his ' holy covenant.
5. This was the oath he swore to our ' father ' Abraham : to set us ' free from the ' hands of our ' enemies,
6. Free to worship him with'out ' fear : holy and righteous in his ' sight all the ' days of our ' life.
7. You my child shall be called the prophet of the ' Most ' High : for you will go before the ' Lord . to pre'pare his ' way,
8. To give his people ' knowledge of sal'vation by the for'giveness of ' all their ' sins.
9. In the tender com'passion of our ' God : the dawn from on ' high shall ' break up'on us,
10. To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the ' shadow of ' death : and to guide our feet ' into the ' way of ' peace.

Glory ' to the Father, to the ' Son and to the ' Holy ' Spirit;

As it was in the be'ginning is ' now, and ever ' shall be. ' A'men.

11. THE APOSTLES' CREED

Leader: We stand with Christians throughout the centuries and throughout the world today, to affirm our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

All: ***I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness***

of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

12. PRAYERS

Leader: The Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray

(People kneel and sing)

All: **Ask and it shall be given unto you,**
Seek and you shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia

Leader: As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

13. THE LORD'S PRAYER – (Sung) (arr. Chilcot)

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.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power and the glory,
For ever and ever, Amen.

Leader: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People: **and grant us your salvation.**

Leader: O Lord, guide our President;
People: **and give him your wisdom and justice.**

Leader: May your ministers serve you faithfully;
People: **and your royal people joyfully.**

Leader: In the valley of the shadow of death;
People: **protect us with your rod and staff.**

Leader: Like trees planted by the waterside;
People: **grant us the fruit of your Spirit.**

Leader: Send us out as the salt of the earth;
People: **and as the light of the world.**

Leader: May the earth be filled with your glory;
People: **as the waters cover the sea.**

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All: **Heavenly Father, Your Son and our Saviour Jesus came to weed out Satan's works from the world. Enable us in the power of the Holy Spirit to work alongside our Saviour in weeding out the injustices and corruption in our society, thus producing the fruit of righteousness, that Christ may be manifested in both our talk and our walk. To the glory of our Saviour Jesus Christ, the righteous. *Amen***

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Leader: Almighty and everlasting God, Father of the Prince of peace, in returning and rest we are saved, in quietness and trust is our strength. Grant us the blessing of making peace and the joy of seeking justice. Take from our souls all strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess, the beauty of your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER FOR GRACE

Leader: Almighty God, you have been our guard through the night, keep us in your care through the day; walking in the light, bearing witness to your way, seeking first your kingdom and seeing you in everyone; guide us in the footsteps of your Son, and lead us on the path to your everlasting Day: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER FOR THE NATION

Leader: Almighty God, You rule all nations and direct them according to Your will. We pray that You will guide our president and all leaders of our country, So that they may always use the authority, Which You have given them for the peace of the world, the benefit, honour and development of our nation, and the good of Your holy Church; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Leader: Almighty and eternal God the only source of power. Grant to our bishops, pastors and all the people of our churches Your health giving Spirit of Grace; And, in order that they may truly please you pour on them the continual dew of Your blessing; Grant this for the sake of our advocate and Mediator Jesus Christ. **Amen**

A GENERAL INTERCESSION

Leader: O God, the creator and preserver of mankind, we commend to your care our families, our neighbours, friends and all the people of all nations. Enable us by your Holy Spirit to live in love for You and for one another. Comfort and heal all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other trouble. Give them a firm trust in your goodness; help those who

minister to them; and bring us all into the joy of your salvation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

All: **Almighty God, by your grace we have come together at this time to bring our united prayers to you; and you have promised by your Son Jesus Christ, that when two or three are gathered in his name he will be in the midst of them. Fulfil now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

14. CHOIR ANTHEM: O Lord, my God *(Samuel S. Wesley)*

(King Solomon's prayer – 1 Kings 8)

O Lord, my God, O Lord, my God,
Hear thou the prayer thy servant prayeth,
Have thou respect unto his prayer,
Respect unto his prayer.
Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place,
And when thou hearest, Lord, forgive,
Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place,
And when thou hearest, Lord, forgive,
And when thou hearest, Lord, forgive.
Forgive, forgive
And when thou hearest, Lord forgive,
Forgive, forgive
And when thou hearest, Lord, forgive.

15. SHARING OF PEACE

(People Stand)

16. HYMN: *There is a Redeemer*

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

Thank You, O my Father,
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit till
The work on earth is done.

Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.
Thank You, O my Father,

When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King for ever,
In that Holy Place.
Thank You, O my Father,

17. SERMON: *Revd. Geoffrey Njenga*

18. OFFERTORY

[The Minister invites people to offer their gifts by using the details displayed on the screens and on the last page of the service programme]

Paybill no. 303036 for offertory, tithes, Organ Fund

Paybill no. 303035 for Children and Teens Centre (CTC) Project.

Airtel Paybill 303035: Indicate what you are giving for

19. OFFERTORY HYMN: *I cannot tell*

I cannot tell why He, whom angels worship,
Should set His love upon the sons of men,
Or why, as Shepherd, He should seek the wand'rers,
To bring them back, they know not how or when.
But this I know, that He was born of Mary,
When Bethl'hem's manger was His only home,
And that He lived at Nazareth and laboured,
And so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.

I cannot tell how silently he suffered,
As with His peace He graced this place of tears,
Or how His heart upon the cross was broken,
The crown of pain to three-and-thirty years,
But this I know, He heals the broken-hearted,
And stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
And lifts the burden from the heavy-laden,
For yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.

I cannot tell how He will win the nations,
How He will claim His earthly heritage,
How satisfy the needs and aspirations
Of East and West, of sinner and of sage
But this I know, all flesh shall see His glory,
And He shall reap the harvest He has sown,
And some glad day His sun shall shine in splendour,
When He the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is known.

I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
When, at His bidding, every storm is stilled,
Or who can say how great the jubilation
When all the hearts of men with love are filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
And myriad, myriad human voices sing,
And earth to heaven, and heaven to earth, will answer:
'At last the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King!'

Leader: All things come from you O Lord.

People: **And of your own have we given.**

The Minister blesses the offertory/ tithes and gifts received.

20. WELCOMING VISITORS

21. NOTICES

22. THE BLESSING

Minister: Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

23. RECESSIONAL HYMN: *Praise Him, praise Him!*

Praise Him, praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer;
Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim!
Hail Him, hail Him! highest archangels in glory,
Strength and honour give to His holy name.
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children,
In His arms He carries them all day long;
O ye saints that dwell in the mountains of Zion,
Praise Him, praise Him! ever in joyful song.

Praise Him, praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer;
For our sins He suffered and bled and died.
He, our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation,
Hail Him, hail Him! Jesus the Crucified.
Loving Saviour, meekly enduring sorrow,
Crowned with thorns that cruelly pierced His brow;
Once for us rejected, despised, and forsaken,
Prince of glory, ever triumphant now.

Praise Him, praise Him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer;
Heavenly portals loud with hosannas ring!
Jesus, Saviour, reigneth for ever and ever,
Crown Him, crown Him! Prophet and Priest and King!
Death is vanquished, tell it with joy, ye faithful!
Where is now thy victory, boasting grave?
Jesus lives, no longer thy portals are cheerless;
Jesus lives, the mighty and strong to save.

NOTICES

CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK (16th November to 21st November)

i. Morning Holy Communion Service (Monday to Friday) from 7.00am to 7.45am.

ii. Senior Citizens H/C Service: On Wednesdays at 10:00am in the Main Sanctuary.

iii. Lunch Hour Services: On Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:00pm to

a) Banns of marriage between

1) Webster Mukunya Mwangi & Nativity L. Mwimah both of All Saints' Cathedral Church Nairobi
2) Vitalis Okeyo Ochieng of St. Michael the Arch Angel Catholic Parish

   Langata & Ursula Emma Mugabe of All Saints' Cathedral Church, Nairobi

This is the First time of announcing

3) Kelvin Muchiri Mubari and Esther Wambui Wangari both of All Saints' Cathedral Church, Nairobi
4) Edwin Machoka and Elsie Anyango both of All Saints' Cathedral Church, Nairobi

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If anyone knows any just cause or impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony; you are to declare it to the Provost.

b) PRAYER MINISTRY

I. Prayer & Healing Service on Wednesdays at 5:30p.m in the Main Sanctuary.

II. Virtual Prayers: Please join us for the morning virtual prayers on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 5:00am to 5:30am through the link provided on our website

c) FAMILY THANKSGIVING SERVICES:

We welcome you to the Family Thanksgiving Services on Sunday, 6th December 2026 across all services to celebrate God's goodness to us this year. We welcome you to bring your thanksgiving gifts as a family, individual, company or as a group.

d) ADVENT CAROL SERVICE WITH PROCESSION, LESSONS AND CAROLS

Will be held on Sunday 29th November at 6:00pm. We warmly welcome you together with your families and friends to the service as we mark the beginning of the Advent and Christmas Seasons. Please be seated by 5:30pm.

e) SENIOR CITIZENS

Will visit Kariobangi Cheshire Home for the Aged on 19th November 2026. We welcome donations of dry foods, cooking oil, cereals, washing detergents and clothes to support them. Food items can be delivered during the week at the vestry Tent.

f) CHILDREN & TEENS DIALOGUE:

All Saints' Cathedral (ASC), in partnership with the State Department for Children Services, has organized a Dialogue on Monday 23rd November 2026 starting at 9am to 12 noon at the Auditorium. The dialogue will provide children and teens with an opportunity to engage directly with the State Department on issues affecting their social and economic well-being and to seek Government commitments towards addressing the matters raised. Parents are kindly encouraged to bring their children and teenagers to participate in this important engagement and have their voices heard. Refreshments will be served.

g) THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Invites parents to register their children for Children's Home visit at (SCHOM Rongai) on Thursday 19th November 2026 at 9:00am. We welcome donations of

dry foods, clothes and other essentials items for support. Food items can be delivered during the week at the vestry.

h) THE CHILDREN AND TEENS MINISTRY

Warmly invites parents to join us for our Family Service on 29th November 2026 at St. Nicholas Chapel during both the 9:30am and 11:30am services.

i) THE CATHEDRAL ICT PROFESSIONALS

Will be hosting a webinar on Thursday, November 19th, 2026 from 7:30pm on Cybersecurity 101: The Dos and Don'ts." The speaker is Shiphrah Wairima - CEO, Founders Haus Africa. To register please visit the Cathedral website or use the QR Code at the Information Tent.

j) WOMEN'S END YEAR THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP

Will be held on 28th November 2026 at 10:00am in the Main Sanctuary. The Theme is: Remembering God's Faithfulness. Please register on the website or at the Information Tent.

k) VOLUNTEERS DINNER 2026

Will take place on Friday, 4th December 2026, from 6:00pm at the Auditorium. All volunteers serving in the various ministries are warmly invited to attend. Kindly register through the link provided on the Cathedral website or by scanning the QR code available at the Information tent.

l) CATHEDRAL BUSINESS EXHIBITION:

The Cathedral Professionals Fellowship will host a Business Exhibition on 5th and 6th December 2026 at the Cathedral. This is great opportunity for congregants who own or run businesses to showcase and sell their products and services. Exhibition fee: Cathedral Members Ksh 5000, Non – members Ksh.

10,000. Interested Exhibitors are invited to register through the Cathedral website or by scanning the QR code at the Information Tent.

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ABSA Bank, Queensway Branch A/C No. 0941048099

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Bank A/C Name: All Saints Cathedral CTC
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