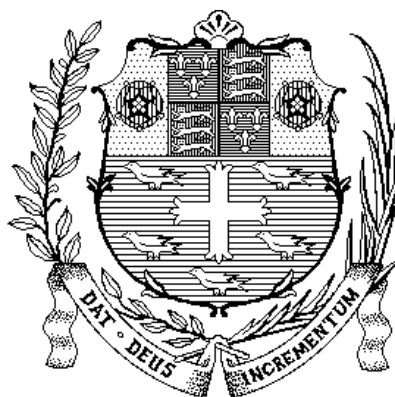


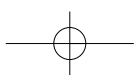
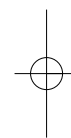
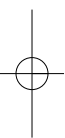
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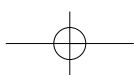
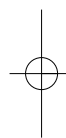
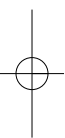
Thursday 5 July 2007

6:30 pm



*Music before the service*

*Simon McGregor*



## ORDER OF SERVICE

*All stand for the processional hymn*

DEAR Lord and Father of mankind,  
 Forgive our foolish ways!  
 Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
 In purer lives thy service find,  
 In deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
 Beside the Syrian sea,  
 The gracious calling of the Lord,  
 Let us, like them, without a word  
 Rise up and follow thee.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
 Till all our strivings cease;  
 Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
 And let our ordered lives confess  
 The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
 Thy coolness and thy balm;  
 Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
 Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
 O still small voice of calm!

*John Whittier (1807-92)*

*C Hubert H Parry (1848-1918)*

*All remain standing. The Very Revd John Hall, Dean of Westminster, says*

WELCOME to Westminster Abbey, which has for almost four hundred years nurtured the spirits of countless Westminsters, and for many centuries before that been the spiritual home of all those being educated within the Abbey precincts.

We meet in the presence of almighty God to give thanks for all that we have given and received at Westminster School over the past years. We come with many memories, with much for which to give thanks and perhaps a little to regret.

Above all, as we reflect on how the School has helped us become what we are, let us commit ourselves today to framing our lives around what we have received: the priority of truth and justice, the importance of charity and respect for others, the value of community and of service.

Let us ask for God's blessing on each one who is leaving. Let us take a moment in silence to summon the memories and to focus the mind and heart.

*A short period of silence is kept.*

**T**HE Lord enrich you with his grace, and nourish you with his blessing; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve your offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

*All* O Lord, open thou our lips  
**and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

*All* O God, make speed to save us.  
**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*All* 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. Amen.**

*All* Praise ye the Lord.  
**The Lord's name be praised.**

*All sit for*

#### THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 55. 1-3, 6-7

*Read by Felix Mitchell  
Head Boy*

'Ho, every one who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Hearken diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in fatness.

Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near;

let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.'

*All remain seated for the Remove Choir to sing*

MANY waters cannot quench Love,  
Neither can the floods drown it.  
Love is strong as death.  
Greater love hath no man than this,  
That a man lay down his life for his friends

Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the  
tree,  
That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed,  
Ye are sanctified,  
Ye are justified,  
In the Name of the Lord Jesus;  
Ye are a chosen generation,  
A royal priesthood a holy nation,  
That ye should shew forth the praises of Him  
Who hath called you out of darkness  
Into His marvellous light.

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God  
That ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice,  
Holy, acceptable unto God,  
Which is your reasonable service.

*Words Selected from Scripture*

*John Ireland (1879-1962)*

*All remain seated for*

THE SECOND READING

Luke 15. 11-32

*Read by Anna Croall and Michael Theodosiou  
Head Girl and Captain of the Queen's Scholars*

Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of property that falls to me."

And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.'"

And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son."

But the father said to his servants, "Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found."

And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound."

But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, "Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!"

And he said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found."



*All stand to sing*

BE thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art  
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,  
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,  
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,  
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Be thou my inheritance now and always,  
Be thou and thou only the first in my heart,  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won,  
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Irish c 8th century*

*Tr Mary Byrne (1880-1931)*

*Versified Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)*

*Traditional Irish melody*

*Harmony by Erik Routley (1917-82)*

*All sit for*

THE ADDRESS

*Given by the Chaplain*

*All remain seated while the Remove Choir sings*

GOD be in my head, and in my understanding;  
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;  
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;  
God be at mine end, and at my departing.

*Horae BVM (Sarum) 1514*

*H Walford-Davies (1869-1941)*

The Lord be with you.  
*All* **And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*All* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

*All say together*

**O**UR 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.

*All* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
**And grant us thy salvation.**  
 O Lord, save the Queen.  
*All* **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**  
 Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
*All* **And make thy chosen people joyful.**  
 O Lord, save thy people.  
*All* **And bless thy inheritance.**  
 Give peace in our time O Lord.  
*All* **Because there is none other that fighteth for us,**  
**but only thou O God.**  
 O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
*All* **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

**A**Lmighty God, who has so richly blessed us: Make this school as a field  
 which yields an abundant harvest; that whatsoever things are true and pure,  
 lovely and of good report, may here abound and flourish. We ask this through  
 the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

**W**E commend to thy fatherly care, O Lord, those who are about to leave  
 this school, both staff and pupils. May thy goodness and mercy follow  
 them throughout their lives. Guard them in danger and keep them from evil;  
 guide them continually in the right way; and assist them in every good work;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Head Master says the School Prayer*

**W**E yield Thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father for our Foundress,  
Queen Elizabeth the First, and all other our benefactors, whose bounty  
Thou hast given us to enjoy.

Grant us, we beseech Thee, grace so to use Thy manifold blessings in our life  
here, that becoming profitable members of this church and nation, we may  
glorify Thy holy name, and finally by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through  
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us commend ourselves, one another, and all for whom we pray, to God the  
Holy and Undivided Trinity, saying together:

**T**HE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all evermore.  
**Amen.**

*All stand to sing*

**A**ND did those feet in ancient time  
Walk upon England's mountains green?  
And was the Holy Lamb of God  
On England's pleasant pastures seen?  
And did the countenance divine  
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?  
And was Jerusalem builded here  
Among these dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!  
Bring me my arrows of desire!  
Bring me my spear! O clouds unfold!  
Bring me my chariot of fire!  
I will not cease from mental fight  
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand  
Till we have built Jerusalem  
In England's green and pleasant land.

*William Blake (1757-1827)*

*C Hubert H Parry (1848-1918)*

*All remain standing. The Dean gives*

THE BLESSING

UNTTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you, and give you His peace. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Music after the service

*Sonata No 3 in A major Op 65 (First movement) Felix Mendelssohn-Bartoldy (1809-47)*

## Valete

David Ader	Adhiraj Gupta	Jessel Patel
Usman Ahmedani	Oliver Hamilton	Hugo Pedder
Nathalie Alfandary	William Harris	Zuleika Penniman
Dominic Allen	Julian Harvard-Barnes	Claire Petros
Neil Amin-Smith	Matilda Hay	William Porter
Kugan Amliwalla	Pany Heliotis	Alexander Rakic
Eugenia Andersson	Tom Henderson	James Read
Vicky Andrews	Adam Hines-Green	Anne Rogers
Kobbina Arthur	Alex Ho	Adrien Roux dit Buisson
Ben Astaire	Max Hoehn	Katherine Rubner
Farah Azmil-Vaikunthan	Rachel Holt	Zoe Rutter-Locher
Amisha Bagri	Victoria Homsy	Saajid Sahabdeen
Joseph Bakes	Suzanne Huldt	Benjamin Samuel
George Barton	Adil Jackson	Thomas Samuel
Max Barton	Tom Jelly	Ankur Sancheti
Natasha Bell	Misha Kaletsky	Cato Sandford
Daniel Berrill	Adil Karim	Joe Scantlebury
William Blake	Bernard Keegan-Fischer	Shiv Shah
Thomas Boles	Nicholas Keller	James Shaw
Benjamin Bonnerjea	Alexandra Kelsall	Natalie Shina
Hugo Brent	Cem Kemahli	Alex Shindler-Kelly
Eleanor Brooke	Oliver Kember	Joseph Smith
Thomas Brutton	Soumaya Keynes	Nicholas Smith
Maximilian Bryant	Alex Khalemskiy	Henrietta Southby
George Burnett	Shahrazad Khan	Katherine Spence
Benjamin Cagan	Jeehae Kim Goddard	Thea Stanton
Simon Cahill	Grace Kim	Eloise Stevens
Arthur Campbell	Katy King	Jamie Stoker
Emma Cannon	Rebecca King	Navid Tafreshi
Alexander Cardona	Lottie Kirk	Adam Tanaka
Zara Carey	Vikesh Kirpalani	Cicely Taube
Gabriel Chipperfield	Alexei Knights	Harry Taylor
David Clare	Edmund Knox	Robert Taylor
Sophie Clarke	Alicia Koenig	Imogen Tedbury
Harriet Cleal	Krystyna Kosciuszko	Michael Theodosiou
Emma Cohen	Niels Larsen	Jamie Thetford
Cecily Cole	Tripp Leavitt	Toby Thomas
Stephen Conyers	Alexander Leese	Henry Thorogood
Charles Cosser	Benjy Leibowitz	Frederick Tickell
Philip Crandall	Natasha Lloyd-Owen	Rachel Tocknell
Alexander Critchley	Imogen Lloyd-Thomas	Miranda Townsend
Anna Croall	Hugh Logan Ellis	Thomas Tredinnick
Oliver David	Kevin Loke	Eleanor Turner-Moss
Timothee de Faramond	Jackson Lu	Felix Tusa
Alessia de Quincey	Cyrus Lyons	Thomas Tyerman
Alexander Dibb	Karnig Manoukian	Ruth Wainwright
Alexander Digby	Ted Marcus	James Wan
Edmund Digby-Jones	Richard Marina	Meng-Yun Wang
Christopher Donovan	Rawad Marrouche	Edmund Wareham
Thomas Dub	Andrew Marshall	Jessica Webber
David Ellard	Felix Mason	Freddie Weyman
Thomas Elworthy	Basil McDonald	Edward Winters Ronaldson
Alfred Enoch	Robin McPherson	Dan Wong
Rupert Eyles	Felix Mitchell	Edward Wormington
Carlos Fain-Binda	Oscar Mitchell	Li Wu
Sam Field	Emeric Monfront	Max Ziemer
Hugo Flaux	Alexander Morris	Sergei Zolotarev
Sarah Ford	Eduardo Musciacco	James Zucker
Josephine Forster	Eugene Nam	
Olivia Franklin	Simon Nathan	
David Gabriele	Julian Newman	Daniel Gelderd
Simon Garbutt	Poppy North	Claudia Harrison
Adrian Garcia-Miller	Abdul Odud	Nick Hinze
Olivia Goldhill	Byron Orme	Carol Jacobi
Daniel Grant Smith	Takaki Oshima	Tom Kennedy
Matthew Greer	Julie Park	Nick Maloney
James Grover	Josie Parker	Lucienne Sumner-Ferguson
Felix Grovit	Charlie Parkyn	John Vincent

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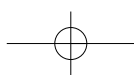
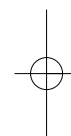
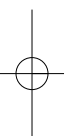
### **Westminster House Youth Club**

Westminster School has a longstanding association with Westminster House Youth Club in Nunhead Grove, Peckham, and three of our current leavers have been regular volunteers at the club over the past two years. Our pupils have been active in the twice-weekly homework club, supporting pre-teens and younger teenagers with their school work. As well as offering assistance to younger people, our volunteers have been well-supported by the club's permanent staff and have enhanced their own life-skills as a result. The club desperately needs our financial support if it is to continue its outstanding services to young people in a challenging area of South London. In particular, this summer an exchange is planned to enable thirteen young people to research gangs and gun culture in the north-west USA. None of them are able to meet the whole cost of this life-changing trip, although all have made a contribution. Any help we can give would be much appreciated.

### **Schools in Kenya**

One of our retiring staff, John Vincent, is currently working as a volunteer on several projects in Kenya for a number of months. Having only just arrived, he has been overwhelmed by the poverty across much of the country and the need for food, basic school equipment and uniforms, especially for disabled children. He writes, 'The Likoni school for blind children in Mombasa needs to refurbish the dining room - the formica is peeling off the tables and the chairs are unsafe, which is particularly dangerous for blind children. Also many of the children do not have shoes, which cost about 300-500 *Kenya Sh* - three to five pounds. The Joyland Primary School for children with physical disabilities in Kisumu, western Kenya, needs refurbishment, including money for paint, some furniture and other decoration. Ideally it needs permanent dormitories for the children. The Kibos school for blind children, again in Kisumu needs school uniforms, shoes and a grant for food. The Salvation Army previously received a donation for food, but this has expired so there is a lack of funds for food for this school for this year.' We will ask John to select one of these projects to support from today's donations, but we also hope that we can support the other projects at another time in the next school year.

*You are warmly invited to drinks on Green (in Dean's Yard) after the service where the Head Master will say a few words of farewell.*



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