

**Second Sunday Before Lent
Sunday 23rd February 2025
Parish Eucharist
A People's Eucharist - Greening**

Processional Hymn

**All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluya, alleluya!**

**Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam:**

*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!*

**Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, Alleluya!**

**Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice:**

**Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluya, Alleluya!**

**Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest man both warmth and light:**

**Dear mother earth, who day by day
Unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, Alleluya!**

**The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
Let them his glory also show:**

**Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluya!**

**Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in One:**

Introduction

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,
Amen.

The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

The congregation sits and the president introduces the theme of the service.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

introduced by the Deacon

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's
commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

*Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.*

Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you
in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria

please stand

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the most high Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit
reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading *Revelation 4*

Gradual Hymn

**Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.**

Refrain:

***O Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love with all my soul.***

**Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, let me bring your light;
And where there's sadness, ever joy.**

**Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
In giving to all people, we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.**

Gospel Reading **Luke 8: 22-25**

*We all stand and turn to face the Deacon as they prepare to read the Gospel.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.*

*A sentence from scripture is sung and then we respond singing:
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon *please sit*

The Creed *please stand*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped
and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. **Amen.****

Prayers of Intercession *please sit*

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

At the end:

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace *please stand*

The children return and gather at the Chancel steps. The president introduces the peace with a sentence followed by:

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

A collection plate will be passed around if you would like to leave a cash donation. Alternatively, please use our contactless card reader in the entrance lobby.

**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 or 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 heir,
Be thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care.**

**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 high tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not, nor all the world's praise,
Be thou my inheritance through all my days,
Be thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**High King of heaven, when battle is done,
O grant heaven's joy to me, bright heaven's sun
O Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.**

The president takes the bread and wine and says:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread and wine to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. They will become for us the bread of life and cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest,
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The president recalls the Last Supper, and we use this acclamation:

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

At the end of the prayer of consecration we all respond:

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer *please sit*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever.

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body,

because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

Giving of Communion

The president says an invitation to Communion:

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Communion

If you would like to receive Communion you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not normally have communion but you would like a blessing, please come to the altar holding this service book as a sign. A sidesperson will show you when to come up.

Anthem

please sit

My soul, there is a country - Parry

Prayer after Communion

silence is kept.

God our creator, by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and
enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.

The Notices and Banns of Marriage

The Blessing

please stand

....and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn

**Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.**

**Come almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.**

**Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Fantasia in D minor - Byrd

Please stay and join us for refreshments!