



The Eucharist for All Souls

MacMillan – St Anne's Mass



Sunday 31st October 2021, 6.30pm

Welcome to this important service as we come to remember with thanksgiving before God those whom we have known and loved: those who have given us life, nurtured us in faith and enriched our very being.

The service begins in silence. Please ensure that mobile phones and electronic devices are switched to 'silent'.

Please remain seated as the procession enters the church.

The Gathering

Words of welcome are given as the President greets the people

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

We remain seated.

The Prayers of Penitence

We are invited to confess our sins:

God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge
of his glory in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels
to show that the transcendent power belongs to God alone.

As we acknowledge our human frailty,
we call to mind our sins of word, deed and omission,
and confess them before God our Father.

Silence is kept.

The choir sings:

*Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

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.

The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer.

**Everlasting God, our maker and redeemer,
grant us, with all the faithful departed,
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion
and glorious resurrection,
that, in the last day,
when you gather up all things in Christ,
we may, with them, enjoy the fullness of your promises;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from Scripture precedes the Gospel reading.

The Reading *I Peter 1: 3-9*

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading John 6: 37-40

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.

A Homily

The Lighting of Candles

The congregation are invited to light candles in remembrance of the departed, during which a soloist will sing:

*Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in every change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.*

*Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,
then you will better know his love, his heart,
who comes to soothe your sorrow, calm your fears.
Be still, my soul: your Jesus can repay
from his own fullness all he takes away.*

*Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.*

Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray to the Lord, who has conquered death.

Jesus, bread from heaven,
you satisfy the hungry with good things:
grant us a share with all the faithful departed
in the banquet of your kingdom.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, the light of the world,
you gave the man born blind the gift of sight:
open the eye of faith and bring us from darkness
to your eternal light and glory.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, Son of the living God,
you summoned your friend Lazarus from death to life:
raise us at the last to full and eternal life with you.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, crucified Saviour,
in your dying you entrusted each to the other,
Mary your mother and John your beloved disciple:
sustain and comfort all who mourn.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, our way and truth and life,
you drew your disciple Thomas from doubt to faith:
reveal the resurrection faith to the doubting and the lost.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church,
living and departed in the Lord Jesus,
to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom.
Amen.

Offertory Hymn

No collection plate will be passed around. If you would like to leave a cash donation, please take it to the offering plate on the font. Alternatively, please use our contactless card reader in the Narthex.

**The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.**

**My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.**

**My table thou hast furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint
and my cup overflows.**

**Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.**

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.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and we all sing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed 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:

Jesus Christ is Lord:
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.
Amen.**

We sit or kneel and silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven, 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.**

The president breaks the consecrated bread:

'I am the bread of life,' says the Lord;
'whoever comes to me will never hunger;
whoever believes in me will never thirst.'
I am the vine: you are the branches.'
May we live in him as he lives in us.

The Agnus Dei

The choir sings:

*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.*

The Giving of Communion

During which the choir sings the Anthem:

Justorum animae – Byrd

To indicate your wish to receive a blessing only, please hold this service sheet in your hand as you come forward.

Please stand.

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power.

**For you have created all things,
and by your will they have their being.**

You are worthy, O Lamb, for you were slain,
and by your blood you ransomed for God
saints from every tribe and language and nation.

**You have made them to be a kingdom and priests
serving our God, and they will reign with you on earth.**

The names of those to be remembered by those present are read aloud.

Names given to be remembered by members of the church community not present are brought forward and placed on the Altar in an act of remembrance.

Silence may be kept after all the names have been read.

Please be seated as the choir sings:

In Paradisum – Duruflé

*May the Angels lead you into paradise:
may the martyrs receive you at your coming,
and lead you into the holy city, Jerusalem.*

*May the choir of Angels receive you,
and with Lazarus, who once was poor,
may you have everlasting rest.*

Please stand

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with the saints:
**where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing,
but life everlasting.**

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all:
**and we are mortal, formed from the dust of the earth,
and unto earth shall we return.**

For so you ordained when you created me, saying:
'Dust you are, to dust you shall return,'
**All of us go down to the dust, yet weeping at the grave,
we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with the saints:
**where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing,
but life everlasting.**

Hear us, O merciful Father,
as we remember in love
those whom we have placed in your hands.
Acknowledge, we pray, the sheep of your own fold,
lambs of your own flock,
sinners of your own redeeming.
Enfold them in the arms of your mercy,
in the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and in the glorious company of the saints in light.
Amen.

The Blessing

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
and the blessing of God Almighty
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

The Dismissal

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

Organ Voluntary

Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659 - J. S. Bach

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