

Christ the King
Sunday 21st November 2021
Parish Eucharist
Thorne – Mass of St Thomas

Processional Hymn

**Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark! how the heavenly anthem
drowns
all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of love!
Behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified:**

**no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
Glassed in a sea of light,
where everlasting waves
reflect his throne—the Infinite!
who lives—and loves—and saves.**

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 sit 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.

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

The choir sings:

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

Absolution

May almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life.
Amen.

The Gloria

please stand

The children gather at the Chancel steps as we all sing:

Refrain: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

**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.
Refrain**

**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.
Refrain**

**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.
Refrain**

The Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; 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

The Reading *Revelation 1: 4b-8*

Gradual Hymn

**Rejoice! the Lord is King.
Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

**Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

**He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

Gospel Reading *John 18: 33-37*

*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*

These responses may be used:

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.

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

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

The children invite us to share a sign of peace:

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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.

**Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown,
when thou camest to earth for me;
but in Bethlehem's home there was found no room
for thy holy nativity:**

**○ come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
there is room in my heart for thee.**

**Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,
proclaiming thy royal degree;
but in lowly birth didst thou come to earth,
and in great humility:**

○ come to my heart ...

**Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word
that should set thy people free;
but with mocking scorn and with crown of thorn
they bore thee to Calvary:**

O come to my heart ...

**When all heaven shall ring, and her choirs shall sing,
at thy coming to victory,
let thy voice call me home, saying, Yet there is room,
there is room at my side for thee:**

**O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
there is room in my heart for thee.**

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, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

Christ is the bread of life.

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come again.**

....in songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. 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

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again.

Agnus Dei *The choir sings:*

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

Giving of Communion

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying 'Alleluia'
The Lord our God has entered into his Kingdom.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

The Communion

Please wait to be called by a sidesperson. You will be guided to follow the walking route of the church.

Anthem *please sit*

*During the distribution of communion the choir sings an anthem:
Above all praise - Mendelssohn*

Prayer after Communion *Silence is kept.*

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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 *please sit*

The Blessing *please stand*

God give to you and to all those whom you love
his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy,
in this world and the next;
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

**Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The heavens are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!**

**Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The Church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but above all, the heart
must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.

Amen.