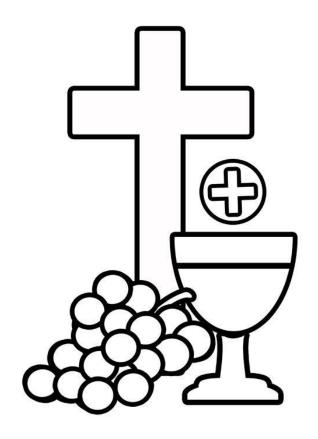


Welcome to Holy Communion



Sunday at 8am

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The Gathering

The clergy and servers process in with the Gospel book.

The Greeting

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

The Lord be with you and with thy spirit.

From Easter Day to Pentecost this acclamation follows:

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Welcome

Some words of welcome or introduction may be given by the president.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Confession

We are invited to confess our sins with these or other suitable words:

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.

We say together:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against thee and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life to the glory of thy name.

Amen.

Absolution

The president says:

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.

In Advent and Lent, the Kyrie is used instead of the Gloria:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria

We proclaim God's glory:

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art the Most High, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

The president introduces the Collect and then says 'Let us pray'. Please join in with the words that are printed in the newsletter; at the end we all say: Amen.
The Liturgy of the Word
Reading
We hear a reading from scripture.
At the end, the reader says:
This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
The Gospel
Please stand for the Gospel reading.
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N. Glory be to thee, O Lord.
At the end:
This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to thee, O Christ.
Talk
Please sit.

We declare our faith in the words of the creed:

I believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven. and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.

And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

After each prayer, this or another response is used:

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our Prayer.**

Then, 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.

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross; we meet in his name, and we share in his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and with thy spirit.

Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace.

We share with each other a sign of Christ's peace.

Preparation of the Altar

The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Thine O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the splendour and the majesty. For everything in heaven and earth is thine. All things come from thee and of thine own do we give thee.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you and with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God. It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord.

(A seasonal preface may be used)

For he is thy living Word:

Through him thou hast created all things from the beginning, and fashioned us in thine own image.

Through him thou didst redeem us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman, to die upon the cross, and to rise again for us.

Through him thou hast made us a people for thine own possession, exalting him to thy right hand on high, and sending forth through him thy holy and life-giving Spirit.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of thy Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us his body and his blood †

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

'Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to thee, he gave it to them, saying:

'Drink ye all of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of his kingdom and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ thy Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again. Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of thy divine majesty, renew us by thy Holy Spirit, inspire us with thy love, and unite us in the body of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father almighty, world without end.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

Our 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.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the bread and says:

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.

We say together:

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Invitation to Communion

The president gives the following 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.

You may wish to use the following prayer for your own personal preparation:

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Communion

All are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion.

If you would rather receive a blessing, please keep your hands down and your head bowed.

After Communion

We pray together:

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 Dismissal

The Blessing

This or another blessing is used:

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

We are sent out into the world:

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

or

Go in the light and peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

From Easter Day to Pentecost, we add: Alleluia, alleluia!

The clergy and servers depart.

A Prayer

In this Holy Sacrifice, may we be redeemed by the precious Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ; may our lives be made new in him. In this Holy Eucharist, in humble thanksgiving for the life, suffering and resurrection of our Lord, may we offer to him, ourselves, our souls and bodies. In this Holy Communion, may we be united in loving fellowship with our Lord, his saints in heaven, and our fellow Christians everywhere. In this Holy Communion, may we be one with all humanity; may we offer the joy and sorrow, the good and evil of all creation. In this Holy Memorial of the Last Supper, may we remember with penitence and joy his great love for us sinners; may we offer to him our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. In this Holy Mystery, may we abide in him and he in us. Amen.

(Bishop Peter Nott)

