

**Parish Weekend Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham:** a pilgrimage has been arranged with the Shrine for the weekend of the 30th July to 1st August. We have been allotted up to 20 places. Booking forms are available in both churches. A deposit of £30.00 is required at the time of booking - which will, of course, be deducted from the full cost of the Pilgrimage Accommodation, which is £143.00 on a full board basis. Travel costs, if a coach/mini-bus is hired will be extra.



**From the Director of Music:** St Mary & St Giles, Stony Stratford, has enjoyed a rich and varied musical tradition for many years and is now seeking additional Sopranos/Altos/Tenors and Basses for the soon to be re-established Parish Church Choir in September 2021. It is hoped that this will be a group of significant musical standing in the area, and it will be affiliated to the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM).

Varied Motets, Anthems and full choral settings of the Eucharist will feature, with rehearsals held on Wednesday evenings during term time, from 7:00-8:30pm. Jonathan Kingston is the Director of Music (himself a professional musician) and aims to ensure that all singers enjoy exploring a rich variety of repertoire in a wholly positive atmosphere, while striving for high musical standards. The choir will aim to sing on the first and third Sundays at the 9:30am Choral Eucharist and in due course, concert opportunities will follow.

As the ranks are swelled, an exciting programme of choral music awaits in one of the best acoustics in the area! With new opportunities now being present, please consider coming and being a part of Stony's choral expansion - we would be delighted to see you. Interested singers should contact Jonathan Kingston directly at: jonkingston@hotmail.co.uk

**Celebrants at Mass:** A number of people have asked why I have not been celebrating at All Saints on Sundays in the last few months, although I have been doing so on Tuesdays. It is because that it was made quite clear to me that a priest should not go from one church to another immediately to help prevent any potential cross-infection. Once I have passed the two week point after my second vaccination, I would be able to. My first Sunday back at All Saints, will therefore be the 20th June.

**Thank you:** to all those of you who sent me greetings on my Birthday. It was much appreciated. Sister Janet is also grateful for the prayers and support during her second hip replacement surgery last Monday. The operation went well and she is now recuperating at home.

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**Arrangements for Banns, Holy Matrimony & Baptisms:**  
May be made by contacting Fr Ross on 01908 562148

**Confessions:** May be made after Masses or by appointment.

**Parish Website:** www.parishstonystratfordcalverton.com



**To Hire the Parish Hall:** 'phone Lesley Salter on 01908 567404



Omnia Christus est nobis!

To us Christ is all!



St Mary & St Giles with All Saints,  
Parish of Stony Stratford with Calverton

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

13th June AD 2021



Welcome to the Parish Church where, after the example of the early church, we celebrate the Eucharist: the "apostles teaching and fellowship, the breaking of bread and the prayers" (Acts 2:42)



# INFORMATION



**Safeguarding:** Our Parish Churches have adopted and follow the Diocese of Oxford's recommended policies for the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults. Details of these policies and of our Safeguarding Officers are available on the noticeboards inside each Parish Church. Should you have any safeguarding concerns then please see one of them.

## Restrictions During the Current Pandemic:

Unfortunately, we are required to observe the following restrictions:

- ◆ **FACE MASKS: MUST BE WORN** by all attending worship as required by Law, apart from the Priest and any Lay Ministers assisting him. **N.B. IF YOU CANNOT WEAR A MASK FOR MEDICAL REASONS YOU MUST WEAR A FACE SHIELD.**
- ◆ Only 3 or 4 **Church Bells** are permitted to be rung, because ringing chambers are not large enough for distancing requirements when a full team is present. The Tower Captain and Assistant must keep a record of who is present to ring on what dates and ensure that distancing is maintained on the staircase. Bell ringing practice is not permitted.
- ◆ **Entry and exit** to our Parish Churches - entry via the West (Tower) Door and exit via the Parish Hall at St Mary & St Giles - entry via the South Porch and exit via the West (Tower) Door at All Saints
- ◆ There cannot be an **social gathering** in either of our Parish Churches before or after Mass - brief social intercourse may take place in the churchyards before or after Mass.
- ◆ 'Shared' **Mass cards** are not permitted. Please do not take a copy for someone else - either retain it for your devotions at home, or place it in the bin provided at the exit points in both churches.
- ◆ Until further notice all **communal singing**, singing rehearsals and concerts are prohibited in all places of worship. It is now possible to have a small choir and Organ Music played - a recessional hymn may be sung within the churchyard.
- ◆ **Collections:** Cash donations and envelopes must be placed either in the large plinth donations box at St Mary & St Giles, or in the bowl by the south porch door at All Saints. We are not allowed to pass a collection plate/bag to one another.
- ◆ 'The Peace' may not be shared physically. We may however join our own hands and bow to each other at The Peace, whilst saying the customary greeting.
- ◆ **When going forward to receive Holy Communion** - at St Mary & St Giles please approach centre of the altar rail in single file via the main aisle, observing a two metre distance, and return to your place via the side aisle. At All Saints: again single file two metres apart but keeping to the south porch side of the main aisle on approaching the altar rail and returning to your place on the vestry side. N.B. in both churches Holy Communion must be received whilst standing and please extend your arms as far as you are able. Textile kneelers and cushions have had to be removed.
- ◆ '**Receiving Holy Communion**' is in one kind, i.e. The Host. This must be received in the palms of our hands - not on the tongue.
- ◆ **Please maintain a two metre distance** from each other on approaching the altar rails and on leaving our churches after Mass.
- ◆ **Lavatory Facilities.** Strict hand-hygiene must be observed and hand-dryers only used. In the lavatory at each church there is a spray sanitiser and single use sanitising wipes for each user to wipe the seat, flush-handle, water taps, sink and door handle. Used wipes should be placed in the waste baskets provided.

All of these restrictions, whilst not what we would wish for, do not detract from the fact that we are able to receive the Lord in his Blessed Sacrament.

**Please take this Service Sheet home with you and use as part of your devotions during the week.**

**Reflection before Mass:** We are here today, many of us, with the future on our minds. Some of us think we have it planned; some of us can't face it; more of us are not sure what it's going to be like. To face it truly we need hope in God which keeps us from despair but also from presumption. We ask God now to help us see beyond our immediate experiences to hope in the possibilities that he is creating where we least expect them.

## (STAND) THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Organ Voluntary before Mass: A seasonal Prelude is played

As the Sacristy Bell is rung we STAND; and the priest and ministers enter the Sanctuary In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The priest greets the people

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**And also with you.**

The priest says the **Antiphon:**

Hearken, O Lord \* unto my voice, when I cry unto thee; Thou hast been my succour: do not leave me; neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Ps. The Lord is my light and salvation \* whom then shall I fear.

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

So from this morning there are two types of forms to donate tiles available in church: the new 'Benefactors' Form and the ones previously issued containing space for the donation of individual tiles in memory of up to ten loved ones and the donation requested for each tile supplied and fitted is £4.99. The completed forms with cash or cheque (payable to 'The PCC of Stony Stratford with Calverton') donations can be handed to either Bob Scarff or Fr Ross. There is also the option of electronic transfer, as the PCC Bank Details are included on the form. You may also know of relations, friends and neighbours who would like to donate tiles in memory of a loved one - so please do take a form for them too. **N.B.** If you are a taxpayer you can increase the value of your donation by Gift Aiding it - please use the yellow envelopes available in church.

*Thank you.*

Once the exterior works are complete, the PCC, when funds permit, wishes to complete the desk work to the east wall of the Parish Office; comprising a taller unit for the parish photocopier - with paper kept above it - space for the filing cabinet along with an extension to the desk. The Parish Office will then gradually become the office from which Parish Administration takes place.

**Further Easing of Restrictions:** Hopefully, tomorrow we shall hear of the decision on the easing of COVID Restrictions. Therefore, the following group activities and events must be understood to be 'subject to' those restrictions being eased.

**Squeals on Wheels** - our weekly Toddler Group will resume on Monday 5th July in The Parish Hall from 9:30 - 11am. Parents/Grandparents/Carers are welcome to bring their children from birth to preschool age (and their siblings in the school holidays) to stay and play. We are a small informal group that encourages children and adults to play together and share support and friendship. Hot and cold drinks and biscuits will be served and there is no charge. We are open every Monday, except Bank Holidays. We look forward to seeing you.

**Coffee Morning** - We hope to be delighted to hold our first Coffee Morning for many months on Saturday, 3rd July. Come and join us in The Parish Hall (or Parish Church if the Hall is still needed due to the building works) from 10:00am - 12:00noon for a hot drink and delicious home-made cake and great company. Do also stop off at the High Street door to see what's on offer on our stall full of interesting items. We hope to make the first Saturday of the month coffee morning a tradition once again.

**Classic Car Festival** - Sunday, 4th July. As part of *Stony Live!* week, Stony Stratford will be full of classic cars on this day. We are planning to serve refreshments in The Parish Hall to the many visitors this event will bring. If you can make small cakes for this event or help serve on the day, please let Lesley Salter know as soon as possible (07789 898847).

*From the Rector:* During Stony Live Week we have always take the opportunity to raise money for the Restoration Fund. However, the PCC has agreed that we will now have a separate fund for Specific Projects such as the 'Greater Access Project' as well as a Fabric Fund for each of our Parish Churches. As we will have emptied the Fabric Fund to cover the cost of essential repairs to the Parish Office and Sacristy, this year monies raised in Stony Live Week will go to the Fabric Fund. It is always a good thing for such a fund to have a healthy balance in case of emergencies, and so we need to build this fund up again.

**Music** - Lunchtime Organ Recitals and Third Thursday @ Twelve-Thirty concerts will, we hope, resume very soon. They will be advertised in the weekly sheet and on posters in and outside the church.

one does two things: firstly, to have your funeral plans added to your 'Last Will and Testament,' and secondly, to let me have a copy of those wishes to keep on file. Fr Cavell kindly left such a file for me, but after 23 plus years it is now quite thin. Recent experiences have led me to draw your attention to this important matter.

Often those making bequest to the Parish Church in their 'Wills' simply leave to the 'Parish Church of .....' However, that does not guarantee that the bequest will necessarily remain with the Parish Church. It is not unknown for 'officials' in some parts of the Church to look at bequests when parish accounts are sent in annually and where possible appropriate the bequests where the wording is not legally watertight in safeguarding it for a Parish Church. Therefore, when drawing up your 'Last Will and Testament' it is important to use these words for our Parish Churches:

- For St Mary & St Giles: 'I leave the sum of £... (or property address or possessions) to be used at the sole discretion of the Incumbent and Churchwardens for the time being of the Parish Church of St Mary & St Giles, Stony Stratford with Calverton.'
- For All Saints: 'I leave the sum of £... (or property address or possessions) to be used at the sole discretion of the Incumbent and Churchwardens for the time being of the Parish Church of All Saints, Stony Stratford with Calverton.'

The phrase 'for the time being' also ensures that the Incumbent and Churchwardens at the time the bequest is received do not receive it personally, but by virtue of their Office for the benefit of the said Parish Church.

# RAISE THE ROOF

**Donate a Tile in Memory of a Loved One:** Unfortunately, it has become clear that all the roof tiles on roofs of the Sacristy and the Parish Office will need to be replaced. It is not quite clear how and when this happened, but the 'lugs' that hold the tiles on the batons have worn away and, in addition, at some point the tiles became 'fired on' - which may have happened in one of two ways. Either the fire in 1964 caused the tiles to adhere to one another, or, to reduce the cost of replacing the roof tiles after the fire, the tiles were heated so that they adhered to one another. The budget had allowed for up to 60% of the tiles to be replaced, as would normally be expected, but unfortunately none of the present tiles can be used again.

We are attempting to seek additional grants, but that may prove difficult. Therefore, it has been suggested that we seek donations per tile in memory of a loved one. The Rector will produce a list of the names so commemorated suitable to be framed and hung on a wall in the lobby outside the Parish Office for all to see.

Following the launch of this initiative on Sunday 6th June several donations have already been received. It has been suggested that we also open this initiative to a wider group who don't necessarily want to make a donation in memory of a departed loved one, but who would like to make a donation as a Benefactor. In the same way as is intended to commemorate those that tiles have been donated in memory of, it has been suggested that we create a list of Benefactors and also the Grant Making Organisations that have helped us. At the time of producing the Mass Sheet we had already received £125.00 - *Thank you.*

without end. Amen.

## Penitential Rite

(STAND)

*The priest invites the people to call to mind their sins and repent of them.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us, forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*The priest pronounces the general 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 Kyries:

Kyrie, eleison.

**Kyrie, eleison.**

Christe, eleison.

**Christe, eleison.**

Kyrie, eleison.

**Kyrie, eleison.**

*The Gloria in excelsis is said:*

**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 priest pronounces the general 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

Let us pray.

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, 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** (SIT)

## The First Reading

Ezekiel 17: 22-24

*(Old Testament Page 706 in the Bibles) the messianic kingdom is compared to the growth of a tree. All the nations shall*

come to benefit from it. The Lord always chooses the lowly rather than the lofty for his purpose.

**The Responsorial Psalm** (from Psalm 92)

**R/. It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night. ®

The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. ®

Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. ®

**The Second Reading** 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10

(New Testament Page 152 in the Bibles) outlines the attitude of St Paul towards death. His desire is to be with God at home in heaven. While we are away from this home, we prepare by a worthy life for the judgement.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** The seed is the word of God, the sower is Christ; all who come to him will live for ever. **Alleluia!**

**The Gospel** Mark 4: 26-34

(New Testament Page 33 in the Bibles) contains two parables which illustrate the divine dynamism which ensures the growth of the kingdom, and the magnitude of that growth from very small beginnings. These stories are geared towards his listeners' ability to understand God's way of salvation.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

As the Gospel is announced the people respond:

✠ ✠ ✠ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel Reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**The Homily**

**The Nicene Creed** (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 men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,**

*(all bow during the next three lines)*

**by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.**

and the grain has been hammered into bread for us. Jesus was the Word of God sown as a seed, fallen in the world to die and produce the risen grain the bread of life - the bread that has been broken for us once again. This word is planted now in our hearts, so that we too can die with it and be buried away from our desires for power and pleasure. As we let him grow within us hidden, we too grow mysteriously in a way that we cannot measure because we are no longer concerned to measure ourselves, consider ourselves.

Lord help us to grow and be broken again so that others may receive of your life from us.

## THIS WEEK'S PARISH DIARY

<b>TODAY:</b> <b>9:30am</b> <b>11:15am</b> Intention:	<b>THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>PARISH MASS</b> at <i>St Mary &amp; St Giles</i> <b>Family Mass</b> at <i>All Saints</i> <i>The Parish</i>
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>10:30am</b> Intention:	<b>Feria</b> <b>Mass</b> at <i>All Saints</i> <i>For Victims of Libel, Slander and Gossip</i>
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>6:00pm</b> 6:45pm Intention:	<b>St Richard of Chichester, Bishop</b> <small>Sussex Day</small> <b>Mass</b> at <i>St Mary &amp; St Giles</i> Rector available in the Parish Office to arrange the Occasional Offices & Parish Business <i>The Bishop &amp; Diocese of Chichester</i>
<b>Thursday</b> 6:45pm 7:30pm Please pray for:	<b>Feria</b> Handbell Ringing Practice at <i>All Saints</i> The Band - Practice at <i>All Saints</i> <i>Those seeking Baptism for their Children</i>
<b>Friday</b> <b>12:00noon</b> Intention:	<b>Feria</b> <b>Angelus &amp; Mass</b> at <i>St Mary &amp; St Giles</i> <i>For Fidelity to Christ and His Gospel</i>
<b>Next Sunday:</b> <b>9:30am</b> <b>11:15am</b> Intention:	<b>THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>PARISH MASS</b> at <i>St Mary &amp; St Giles</i> <b>Family Mass</b> at <i>All Saints</i> <i>The Parish</i>

## PARISH NOTICES

**The Sick List & Anniversaries of Death:** I would be grateful if I could have an update on the condition of all those we are praying for on the Sick List, so that I am able to keep it as accurate as possible.

I shall be updating the Memorial Registers in both churches at the end of this month. If you desire that names be added, so that loved ones can be prayed for on the Anniversary of their Deaths do please let me know their full name and the date of their deaths. Thank you. *Fr Ross*

**The Reception of Holy Communion at Home:** A number of our regular worshippers receive the Blessed Sacrament at home due to been unable to get to Mass because of long-term illness or issues regarding personal mobility. Since March 23rd last year, they have been unable to receive visits from me due to the Restrictions. However, now that I have been double-vaccinated and passed the period to make it fully effective, and with the current Step 3 in place, they will be able to receive the Blessed Sacrament for the first time in almost 15 months. This week I intend to arrange for them to receive Holy Communion as soon as possible. Please pray for them, and also for those in Care Homes across Milton Keynes that I take Holy Communion to so as to maintain their links with our parish - something that they value immensely.

**Funeral Arrangements & Making a Bequest in your 'Last Will & Testament:** I am convinced that all of you have got a lot of living to do yet! However, it is not unknown that regular worshippers in parishes are denied the Funeral Service that they would want for themselves, as families or executors do what they would 'like' to happen. All priests can tell you of examples, some quite distressing, where the known funeral wishes of a regular worshipper have been completely ignored. Therefore, it is my strong advice that every-



Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;  
blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

V/. Behold the handmaid of the Lord;  
R/. **Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;  
blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

V/. And the Word was made flesh;  
R/. **And dwelt among us.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;  
blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

V/. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.  
R/. **That we may be made worthy  
of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray.

We beseech thee, O Lord,  
to pour thy grace into our hearts;  
that as we have known  
the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ  
by the message of an angel,  
so by his ✠ Cross and Passion,  
we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection.  
Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Concluding voluntary on the Handbells - the congregation are asked to remain seated: Peal of Bells**

*Once concluded, leave the Parish Church of St Mary & St Giles via the Parish Hall; and at All Saints via the south door, where Fr Tunji will lead the singing of:*

**Thou, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and, where the Gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!**

**Thou who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
heal to the sick in mind,  
sight to the in-ly blind,  
O now to all mankind,  
let there be light!**

**Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight!  
Move on the waters' face  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and, in earth's darkest place,  
let there be light!**

**Holy and blessed Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might;  
boundless as ocean's tide,  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the world far and wide,  
let there be light!**

**Reflection after Mass:**

*The seed was sown and buried in the earth; it produced the grain*

**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.**

**The Prayer of the Faithful** (STAND)

*Priest:* My brothers and sisters, as a great tree with flourishing branches or as seed quietly growing, so the kingdom of God increases. Let us join our prayers to this loving plan of divine providence..

*Intercessor:* For the Church militant here in earth, that it may share in the Lord's continuing mission of redemption from sin and death, and promote unity and peace among all peoples....

V/. Lord, hear us.  
R/. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who are called to work in ministries of finance throughout the world, that their plans may be so guided by the Holy Spirit as to benefit all mankind....

For those who make plans for communities, who develop the land, and who work in agriculture; that in seeking to make the earth more productive, they may also show reverence the natural order created by God....

For our families and friends, and all who live in our parish, that we may with them grow in grace, and live in faith, hope and love....

For the sick and suffering; those in hospital, in residential care or convalescent at home; and by name we are asked to pray for...Malcolm, Shirley, Cecilia, Christel, Joan Carrigan, Margaret DeSousa, Richard Desousa, Ronnie DeSousa, Rene Hazlewood, Fr Joseph, Lilith, Lorna, Sr Janet, James, Peter, Rosie, Susie, Dee, Stacey, Wendy, Janet, Adam Viard, Eric, Jasmine, Davida Wiseman...May they know your presence with them to lift from them all anxiety and be granted the peace that you alone can give...

For the souls of the departed, especially...Margaret Barker, Freda Douglas... *and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time...***13th** Raymond Martin; **14th** William West; **15th** John Williams, Freda Smith, Edward Walker; **16th** Harry Rose, Leonard Fairclough; **19th** Anthony Cave, Philip Stock, David Chittenden... that they may live for ever in the courts of our God...

✠ Rest eternal, grant to them, O Lord.  
**And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Priest:* Almighty God, you are the source of all goodness and grace. Hear these prayers that we offer as our intercession for the increase of kingdom of justice, love and peace, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*The Gifts of Bread and Wine are placed upon the altar, as the priest says the **Offertory Antiphon:***

I will thank the Lord \* for giving me a warning; I have set God before me always; because on my right hand is he; therefore I shall not fall.

*Then priest says the Offertory Prayers to which the people respond:*  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

(STAND) Pray brethren that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

*The priest says the Prayer over the Offerings:*

O God, who in the offerings presented here provide for the twofold needs of human nature, nourishing us with food

and renewing us with your Sacrament, grant, we pray, that the sustenance they provide may not fail us in body or spirit. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **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 him thanks and praise.**

*The priest sings a Eucharistic Preface appropriate to the celebration, after which all join in the acclamation:* (KNEEL)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,  
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 priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer of thanksgiving, recalling the command of Jesus Christ, 'Do this in memory of me.'*

Priest: The mystery of faith:

**All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues with the priest interceding for the Church, the world, all those present at this celebration, and the Faithful Departed. At the Doxology at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer all join in the Great Amen.*

Priest: .....for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## **THE COMMUNION RITE**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*The priest introduces the Lord's Prayer.* (STAND)

**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.**

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

### **The Agnus Dei** (KNEEL)

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

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have mercy on us.**

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

*The priest shows the consecrated Host to the people, saying:*

Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called  
to the supper of the Lamb.

**✠ Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*The Communion Antiphon is said by the priest after which the people come forward to receive the Blessed Sacrament.*

One thing have I asked \* of the Lord, which I require; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

1. That I may behold the beauty of the Lord \*  
and enquire in his temple.
2. In time of trouble he shall hide me \*  
he shall set me upon a rock.
3. Though my father and mother forsake me \*  
yet shall the Lord take me up.
4. Teach me thy way, O Lord \*  
and lead me in a plain way.
5. Wait on the Lord and be of good courage \*  
and he shall strengthen thy heart.

**An Organ Voluntary is played during the Distribution of Holy Communion.**

*It is customary to kneel throughout the distribution of Holy Communion except when going forward to receive the Blessed Sacrament and upon returning to your place.*

### **Prayer after Communion** (STAND)

Let us pray.

*And all pray in silence with the Priest for a while, unless the silence has just been observed.*

At this reception of your Holy Communion, O Lord, foreshadows the union of the faithful in you, so may it bring about unity in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All then pray:*

**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.**

## (STAND) THE CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Bow down for the blessing.

God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ, keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, and the Son ✠, and the Holy Spirit come down upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE ANGELUS

*Traditionally in the morning, at noon, and in the evening in memory of the Incarnation of the Son of God, the faithful say the following prayers, outside of Eastertide:*

- V/. The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary;  
R/. **And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.**