

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.

For the dismissal, the Priest faces the people and blesses them using a form appropriate to the Season:

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

The Priest and ministers face the Shrine of Our Lady and we join in 'The Angelus' (The Memorial of the Incarnation):

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

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.**

Please remain seated until the Recessional Music has ceased, and leave the Parish Church at St Mary & St Giles via the Parish Hall; and at All Saints via the west (Tower) door. The Priest will be outside in the churchyard to greet you.

Weekday Masses this week:

Wednesday	Feria		
	18:00	Mass	at St Mary & St Giles
Thursday	St Augustine Zhao Rong & Comp, Martyrs		
	10:30am	Mass	at All Saints
Friday	Feria		
	12:00n	The Angelus & Mass	at St Mary & St Giles

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

**THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

5th July AD 2020

"Come to
me, all you
who are
weary and
burdened,
and I will
give you
rest."

Matthew 11:28

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)

The yoke of Christ is not really a yoke but a bond of love, which joins us to Him, and through Him, to our loving Father in heaven. The rule of life which He asks us to keep, if we are loyal followers of His, is not a series of prohibitions and don'ts. It is rather a succession of sign-posts on the straight road to heaven, making our journey easier and safer. He does ask us to carry our cross daily, that is, to bear the burden of each day's duty, but once the cross is grasped firmly and lovingly it ceases to be a burden.

Ours is a world which is in an all-out search for new idols. It is a world which has left the path marked out by Christ, and forgotten or tried to forget, that man's life does not end with death. To be a Christian and to have the light of faith to guide our steps in this neo-pagan darkness, is surely a gift, and a blessing from God, for which we can never thank Him enough. Thank you, God, for this gift. Please give us the grace and the courage to live up to it and to die in the certainty that we shall hear, as we shut our eyes on the light of this world, the consoling words, "come you blessed of my Father, possess the kingdom prepared for you."

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, there are certain restrictions that we are required to observe for some time. I am sure that you will understand that whilst these are requirements placed upon us, they have been done so for good reason.

- ◆ 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 must be via separate doors - 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 a social gathering in either of our Parish Churches before or after Mass - social intercourse may take place in the churchyards before or after Mass. Please allow the priest time to take off his vestments and move to the churchyard before leaving either of our churches yourselves.
- ◆ Only one Priest will Celebrate Mass observing the necessary hygiene before, during and after Mass.
- ◆ There will be no 'shared' Mass cards. Instead each week new Orders of Mass will be printed with the full text of the Mass printed upon them. 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.
- ◆ The First and Second Readings may be read by Sister Janet from the Legilium which will be placed inside the Sanctuary at St Mary & St Giles. The Nave Lectern and the Pulpit will not be in use as we would have to sanitise it after each person has used it. When Fr Tunji is celebrating if the Rector is away, then he will read the First & Second Readings.
- ◆ Until further notice all singing, singing rehearsals and concerts are prohibited in all places of worship. Within a week or two the Rector & our Director of Music will have planned 'Organ Masses' - these are where incidental music is played on the organ at certain parts of the Mass. But such incidental music will not be accompanied by singing.
- ◆ 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 hands and bow to each other at The Peace.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ 'Holy Communion' may only be received in one kind, i.e. The Host. This must be received in the palms of our hands and 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. A surprise guideline from the Government does allow for lavatories to be used - which may come as a relief! However, this guideline comes with very strict hygiene regulations. Only the larger of the two lavatories only will be open at SMSG (at All Saints there is only one). Strict hand-hygiene must be observed and hand-dryers only used. In the lavatory at each church there will be 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 once more we shall be 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.

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, we pray, 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.**

**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.**

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 following antiphon is recited after the Priest has received Holy Communion by all present:

**Come to me, all who labour and are burdened,
and I will refresh you, says the Lord.**

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. Then the priest, with hands extended, says the Prayer after Communion; at the end of which the people acclaim: **Amen.**

All then pray:

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the
body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through**

ith, Peter, Rosie, Eileen Scarff, Stacey, Isa, Wendy, Janet, Gren, David, Adam Viard...

For those who have been called through death to eternal rest, especially...Beau Brandie (*Priest*), Mike, Andy, Bill Barrett, Ethel Blake, Phyllis Burnett, Betty Green, Alan Goodridge, Doreen Hart, Bet Jones, Joyce Gunstone, Ivy MacFarlane, Florence Ononeme, John Pendlington, Detcho Stoyanov, Jonny Thorp, Irwin Walker, Paul Woodfield...and for those whose anniversaries of death occur during this week, amongst them...**5th** George Lovell, Edith Goodridge, Lionel Stobie; **6th** Billy Pickering, Patricia Doolan; **7th** Robert Vincent, Alice Read; **9th** Trevor Brown, Violet Hanrahan; **10th** Mary Bull...

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

Priest: Lord of heaven and of earth, gathered in obedience to your Son's command, we beseech you to accept our prayers. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Gifts of Bread and Wine are placed upon the altar. 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 Gifts to which all respond:
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 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 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.

Prayer Thought

God's rule and kingdom are established on Christ, the gentle and humble Messiah King. God furthers his providential plan not by human force and power but by the humanity of Christ and the power of his Spirit. Through our faith we are privileged to see God's ways of acting. Let us open ourselves to him and his kingdom in this Mass.

(*STAND*) **THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

As the Sacristy Bell is rung we STAND to say the Introit Antiphon:

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

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.

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:

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

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord 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 Zechariah 9: 9-10

(Old Testament Page 797 in the Bibles) God, through the words of a prophet, calls on the holy city, Jerusalem, to rejoice in God, her saviour.

The Responsorial Psalm (from Psalm 145)

**R/. I will bless your name for ever,
O God my King.**

I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. ®

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. ®

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. ®

The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. ®

The Second Reading Romans 8: 9, 11-13

(New Testament Page 131 in the Bibles) St Paul reminds us that the Holy Spirit dwells in us The Holy Spirit constantly inspires us to live true Christian lives and gives us the power to do so.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
that you have revealed to little ones
the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

The Gospel Matthew 11: 25-30

(New Testament Page 10 in the Bibles) we hear Jesus thank his heavenly Father for the graces he has bestowed on us Christians. He calls on us all to come to

him for comfort and peace of soul.

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.

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, the Father reveals the mysteries of the kingdom to the little ones. Let us pray to our God who shows such love for those whom society thinks common and contemptible.

Intercessor: For the Church in her work of charity for the poor and the overburdened....

V/. Let us pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Lord to raise up leaders of the nations who will listen to even the humblest citizens....

For unspiritual people who have shut God out of their lives....

For the children that they may learn of God in our community....

For all those who are in pain or suffering at this time, either in hospital or at home, especially.....Jane, Cecilia, Joan Carrigan, Rene Hazlewood, Jean, Fr Joseph, Lil-