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.**

We remain STANDING to sing the following hymn as the priest leaves the sanctuary:

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small; In all life Thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, And wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight; All laud we would render, O help us to see: 'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

Communion Reflection:

Lord Jesus, Lamb of God, we are privileged to be present at your supper. We are not worthy to receive you this morning because we have often failed to receive you as you came to us in the needs of our neighbours. Help us to recognize you not only in the breaking of bread, but in the brokenness of our neighbour. Make us awake to your daily comings into our lives. Guide us safely through our pilgrimage of faith so that we may come to rejoice forever at your banquet of life.

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SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Remembrance Sunday)

09:30 THE PARISH MASS 10:30 SMSG open for Private Prayer

Tuesday 10th November - *St Leo the Great*,

Pope & Doctor of the Church12:00nThe Angelus & Mass18:00Sorrowful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary

Wednesday 11th November – *St Martin of Tours, Bishop* 18:00 The Angelus & Mass

Friday 13th November - *Feria*

12:00n The Angelus & Mass

SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

09:30 THE PARISH MASS 10:30 SMSG open for Private Prayer

N.B. Due to the ongoing works at All Saints, all Masses scheduled above will be live-streamed from St Mary & St Giles. Tuesday's Rosary will be live-streamed from the Rectory.



THE 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8th November AD 2020



The ten bridesmaids, or maidens, in the parable represent all Christians. On receiving the sacrament of baptism, the Christian starts on the road to heaven; he gets his invitation to the heavenly nuptials but this is only the beginning. From the moment he comes to the use of reason he is expected to prepare himself, by living according to the law of God, for the great moment when the call will go forth: Behold the bridegroom! Come to meet him. This moment will be, first, at the hour of death for each individual when each one's eternal fate will be decided, and again at the general judgment of the human race. During their lifetime all are invited to the heavenly wedding, and all have the necessary means to get ready. But, like the foolish bridesmaids, many will fail to make use of these means and will realize their folly when it is too late. Sad, but true.

A certain number of those for whom Christ died on the cross, and to whom he gave the gift of his revelation and offered all the helps they needed, will never reach heaven because they exchanged their heavenly birthright for a mess of earthly pottage. That the foolish bridesmaids in the parable lost a golden opportunity through their negligence is evident and we can all sympathize with them up to a point, but the thoughts of very few will turn to the bride and groom who were so seriously insulted by this act of negligence on the part of chosen friends.

So too, every Christian lost is a grievous insult to the God who created and redeemed him. Christians have received the fullness of God's revelation, and have been offered a special place in his marriage festival; they have received a privileged invitation not given to others. Is it not a serious and deliberate insult to God not to comply with the conditions of that generous offer?

<u>Prayer Thought</u>

The Mass is the bridge between this world and the eternal world. All healing and renewal come from the eternal world. Let each of us for a moment in silence focus on the special hunger that is in our hearts today. Let us bring that hunger to the altar so that it can be met and satisfied.

<u>Introit Hymn</u>

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art-thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight, thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

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

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

May almighty God have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Kyrie, eleison, Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie eleison, eleison

Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe eleison, eleison

Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie elison, eleison.

The Gloria in excelsis

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,

Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me; and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever..

Prayer after Communion

(STAND)

THE CONCLUDING RITE

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.**

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 Lord be with you.

And also with you.

For the dismissal, the Priest faces the people and uses a form of blessing appropriate to the season.

.....; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, and the Son, $\mathbf{\Phi}$ and the Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

Before we conclude with the Recessional Hymn we recite 'The Angelus' (The Memorial of the Incarnation).

The Angelus

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 done to 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.

The Priest says the Eucharistic Prayer of Thanksgiving, recalling the command of the Lord Jesus, '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 Priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer thanking God for all he has done for us in Jesus Christ. At the end of the Doxology, all join in the Great Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE

<u>The Lord's Prayer</u> 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.

<u>The Agnus Dei</u>

(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 sins 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.

An antiphon and/or hymns may be sung quietly as the people reverently receive Holy Communion.

<u>Communion Hymn</u>

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never. I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth; and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth. we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. you are seated at the right hand, the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will. Amen. Amen.

<u>The Collect</u>

Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; 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)

<u> The First Reading</u>

RZ.

Wisdom 6: 12-16

(from Psalm 63)

(Old Testament Page 526 in the Bibles) tells us that the wisdom that comes from God is attractive and desirable. It is a sure guide to life.

<u>The Responsorial Psalm</u>

For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. ®

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. ®

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. ®

On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. ®

<u>The Second Reading</u>

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

(New Testament Page 172 in the Bibles) Paul reminds the Thessalonians that their belief in Christ's resurrection is a source of hope for them. After death they will share in Christ's

risen glory.

Gospel Acclamation

(STAND)

Alleluia, alleluia! Watch, therefore, and be ready; the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect. Alleluia!

<u>The Gospel</u>

Matthew 25: 1-13

(New Testament Page 24 in the Bibles) points out the need for constant alertness in the Christian life. We do not know when the moment of judgment will arrive for us.

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

Priest: My brothers and sisters, the Gospel message reminds us to be wise and vigilant. Christ will come again. As we wait for him, we pray for the world that he has redeemed.

Intercessor: For the Church that she may read the signs of the times, and always be prepared for her Lord's return by fidelity to his commands.....

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the Lord.

For the nations where Christ's voice is unknown, not heard, or ignored, that the leaders of the nations may serve the people they are called to govern; mindful of their own need to give an account of their stewardship to the Creator of all.....

For all those who are seeking the truth; for universities and other institutes of learning that they may be centres of wisdom amidst the follies of this world.... For our parish and the strengthening of our common life, that we may be truly committed to the Faith and eagerly share it with others....

For all those who are in pain or suffering at this time, either in hospital or at home, especially....Jane, Cecilia, Christel, Joan Carrigan, Rene Hazlewood, Fr Joseph, Lilith, Lorna, James, Peter, Rosie, Fr Francis Rodriguez-Veglio, Susie, Dee, Stacey, Isa, Wendy, Janet, David, Adam Viard, Eric...

That those who have died will be with the Lord for ever, especially...Carl Done, Dale Marshall, Bob Wain, Gren Wiseman...and for those whose anniversaries of death occur during this week, amongst them...**8th** Horace Smith, Jean Hollamby, Rex Mortimer, Aran Gardner; **9th** Kate Barlow, John Richards (bishop), Dorothy Halliwell; **10th** Martha Teagle, Sarah Read; **11th** Marjorie Adams, John Hill; **13th** Bill Gibbs; **14th** Joyce Young, Robert Read, Peter Bucknell...

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

Priest: Father of time and eternity, grant the petitions we make, as we wait for the coming of Christ, your gift of eternal Wisdom, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Offertory Hymn

O', God, you search me, and you know me All my thoughts lie open to your gaze When I walk or lie down, you are before me 'Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising You discern my purpose from afar And with love everlasting, you besiege me In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord You have known its meaning through and through You are with me beyond my understanding God of my present, my past and future, too

Although your Spirit is upon me Still I search for shelter from your light There is nowhere on Earth I can escape you Even the darkness is radiant in your sight

For you created me and shaped me Gave me life within my mother's womb For the wonder of who I am, I praise you Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

(STAND)

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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 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 the Preface, at the end of which the People <u>KNEEL</u>... all join in the acclamation:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes,

who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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