

# The Parish Church of St. Mary, Shortlands



## Order of Service for Holy Communion

23<sup>rd</sup> August 2020

## **Hymn – *Through all the Changing Scenes of Life***

Through all the changing scenes of life,  
in trouble and in joy,  
the praises of my God shall still  
my heart and tongue employ.

Of his deliverance I will boast,  
till all that are distressed  
from my example comfort take  
and charm their griefs to rest.

O magnify the Lord with me,  
with me exalt his name;  
when in distress to him I called  
he to my rescue came.

Fear him, ye saints, and you will then,  
have nothing else to fear;  
make you his service your delight  
your wants shall be his care.

Nahum Tate 1652-1715; and Nicholas Brady 1659-1726  
(*Songs of Praise, 2014*)

## **The Greeting**

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.**

## **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**

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 then confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

**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.**

*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.**

**Gloria in Excelsis** *singing led by St. Mary's Choir*

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, p  
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, you declare your almighty power  
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:  
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,  
that we, running the way of your commandments,  
may receive your gracious promises,  
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
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**

**New Testament Reading** – *read by Michelle Doa Duque*

### **Romans 12: 1-8**

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **Matthew 16: 13-20**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Address**

## **The Creed**

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

*Prayers led by Glo Sherman*

*This response may be used*

Lord, hear the prayers of our hearts.

***pause...allow the Spirit for you and to you in your individual prayers***

*And 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

Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God

in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**and also with you.**

Let us acknowledge one another with a sign of peace.

### **Anthem:** My Eyes for Beauty Pine

*Birmingham Conservatoire Chamber Choir*



## **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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ,  
your living word, through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our saviour.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.  
Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious  
name for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body  
and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
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.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you  
for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.  
Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we in the company of St. Mary and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honour be yours,  
almighty father,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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**

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.**

*The Agnus Dei – singing led by St. Mary's Choir*

**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**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The body of Christ  
**Amen**  
The blood of Christ  
**Amen**

## **Prayer after Communion**

Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:  
by our communion  
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **NOTICES**

### **The Dismissal**

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.**

## **Hymn – Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us**

Holy Spirit, come, confirm us  
in the truth that Christ makes known;  
we have faith and understanding  
through your helping gifts alone.

Holy Spirit, come, console us,  
come as advocate to plead;  
loving Spirit from the Father,  
grant in Christ the help we need.

Holy Spirit, come, renew us,  
come yourself to make us live;  
holy through your loving presence,  
holy through the gifts you give.

Holy Spirit, come, possess us,  
you the love of Three in One;  
Holy Spirit of the Father,  
Holy Spirit of the Son.

Brian Foley 1919-2000  
*(Sheffield Cathedral Choir, 2015)*

## Regular Services

### Morning Prayer

Monday-Saturday, 9am

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### Holy Communion

(live-streamed)

Every Sunday, 10.30am

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## Special Events & Services

### Church Opening

The church will be open on the following days:

Monday / Wednesday / Saturday – 10am-3pm

The opening of the church will be for personal prayer and reflection only.

### Church Services

St. Mary's will be holding Communion Services:

**from Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September,**

**8am** – live-streamed via Facebook and accessible through the St. Mary's website:

Please note that this is a non-congregational service.

**10.30am** – service held in church

**from Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

**10.30am** – service held in church

These will be Communion services with strict guidelines in place.

### Coffee Morning

There will be a coffee morning held in the church on:

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August, 10.30am – 1pm**

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