

St Michael and All Angels Mill Hill



The eighth Sunday after Trinity

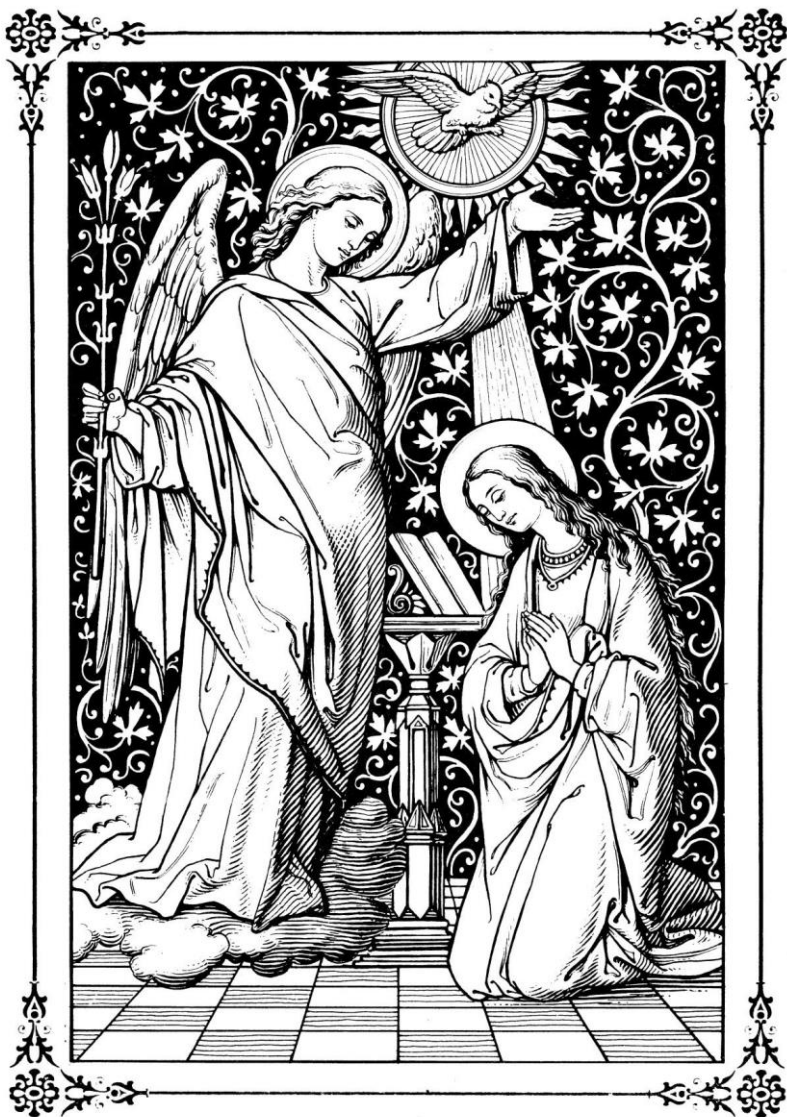


Sunday 26th July 2026

10:30am



Thursday 23rd July was the Festival of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of Divine Grace.
This is reflected in our hymns today.



The Processional Hymn (NEH 188)

Please stand

Ye who own the faith of Jesus
Sing the wonders that were done,
When the love of God the Father
O'er our sin the victory won,
When he made the Virgin Mary
Mother of his only Son.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.

2 Blessed were the chosen people
Out of whom the Lord did come,
Blessèd was the land of promise
Fashioned for his earthly home;
But more blessèd far the Mother
She who bare him in her womb.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.

3 Wherefore let all faithful people
Tell the honour of her name,
Let the Church in her foreshadowed
Part in her thanksgiving claim;
What Christ's Mother sang in gladness
Let Christ's people sing the same.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.

4 Let us weave our supplications,
She with us and we with her,
For the advancement of the faithful,
For each faithful worshipper,
For the doubting, for the sinful,
For each heedless wanderer.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.

7 Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,
Praise thy Saviour and thy Son,
Praise the everlasting Spirit,
Who hath made thee ark and throne;
O'er all creatures high exalted,
Lowly praise the Three in One.
Hail Mary, Hail Mary, Hail Mary, full of grace.

The Greeting

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

The priest introduces the service

Prayer of Preparation

**All: 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

In a moment of quietness, let us prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries by calling to mind the ways in which we have failed God and our neighbour, and then 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.

**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 us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Kyrie

Choir Lord have mer-cy. *All* Lord have mer-cy. *Choir* Christ have mer-cy.

All Christ have mer-cy. *Choir* Lord have mer-cy. *All* Lord have mer-cy.

Gloria

Glo - ry to God in the high-est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - nly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther. We

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of

God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. You are

seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the ho-ly one, you a- lone are the Lord.

You a - lone are the most high Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi-rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa-ther A - men. A - men. A - men.

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Please be seated

I Kings 3: 5-12

⁵At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' ⁶And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today.' ⁷And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this.

¹¹God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word.

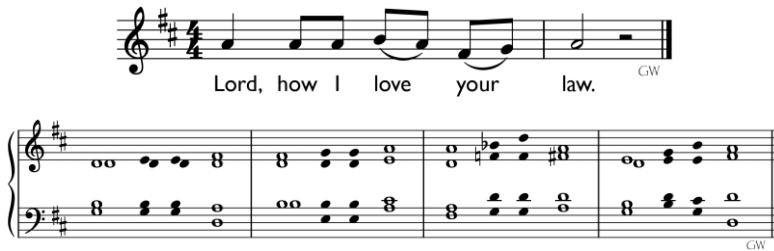
Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 119 v129-136



R Lord, how I love your law.

- ¹²⁹ Your de'crees are ' wonderful;
therefore I obey them with ' all my ' heart.
- ¹³⁰ When your word goes ' forth it · gives ' light;
it gives understanding ' to the ' simple. **R**
- ¹³¹ I open my ' mouth and ' pant;
I long for ' your com'mandments.
- ¹³² Turn to ' me in ' mercy,
as you always do to those who ' love your ' name. **R**
- ¹³³ Steady my footsteps ' in your ' word;
let no iniquity have do'minion ' over me.
- ¹³⁴ Rescue me from ' those who · op'press me,
and I will keep ' your com'mandments. **R**
- ¹³⁵ Let your countenance shine up'on your ' servant
and ' teach me · your ' statutes.
- ¹³⁶ My eyes shed ' streams of ' tears,
because the people do not ' keep your ' law. **R**

Second Reading

Romans 8: 26-39

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

'For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn (NEH 161)

Please stand

For Mary, Mother of the Lord
God's holy name be praised,
Who first the Son of God adored
As on her child she gazed.

2 The angel Gabriel brought the word
She should Christ's mother be;
Our Lady, handmaid of the Lord,
Made answer willingly.

3 The heavenly call she thus obeyed,
And so God's will was done;
The second Eve love's answer made
Which our redemption won.

4 She gave her body for God's shrine,
Her heart to piercing pain,
And knew the cost of love divine
When Jesus Christ was slain.

5 Dear Mary, from your lowliness
And home in Galilee,
There comes a joy and holiness
To every family.

6 Hail, Mary, you are full of grace,
Above all women blest;
Blest in your Son, whom your embrace
In birth and death confessed.



The Gospel



The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

³¹ He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;

³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

³³ He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.'

⁴⁴ 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵ 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷ 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹ 'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.'

⁵² And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Please be seated

The Creed

**All: 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

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ
let us make our prayer to our heavenly Father.

Lord, in your mercy or Lord, hear us

All: Hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.

Please pray for those who are sick or housebound

We remember by name:

*Anil Ameer Subryan, Anna Morison, Arlen, Ashraf Jafari, Fr Barry Wright,
Beryl, Catherine Dalgiesh, Chandralakha and Scott Singh, Christine,
Christopher Brown, Chris Robins, Claire, Clifford Brown, Crystal,
Daniel Ejelonu, Daniel Whittard, David Mulloy, Deirdre Mullooly,
Devon White, Edd Heimrich, Edna McGregor, Edward, Evelyn Semlyen,
Gail Sparrow, Helen Cloke, Iren Fabian-Toth, Janet B, Jenny Wardle,
John, Johnny, Jordan, Judi Bryant, Julian, Katherine Barker,
Laura Newbury, Lauren Reeves, Lisa Sweet, Logan, Fr Luke Demetri,
Mark, Mary, Mary Akpieyi, Mandy, Mina and Reginald Apiafi,
Muriel Doris Bloch, Nicola, Nicole, Pamela Ashcroft, Pavol Husar, Rachel,
Rahema Charles, Ray, Rella Persaud, Remi Babatunde, Richard Johnson,
Robert Winston, Saffron Leigh, Sandra, Sarah, Sebastian,
Susan and Vanessa Husarov, Susan Paterson, Taiwo Odebode,
Venita Delpino, Victoria.*

We remember those who have recently departed this life:
Olori Funmilayo Awofeso

and all whose anniversaries of death fall at this time:
*Kathleen Asquith, Hollie-Jessica Edgar, Christine Mercer,
Algernon Lewis, Hilda Russell-Walker and Barry James.*

Rest eternal grant them, O Lord;

All: And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace

All: And rise in glory. and

Merciful Father,

**All: Accept these prayers for the sake of your son
our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All may exchange a sign of peace



The Offertory Hymn (NEH 181)

Shall we not love thee, Mother dear,
Whom Jesus loves so well,
And to his glory year by year
Thy praise and honour tell?

2 Thee did he choose from whom to take
 True flesh, his flesh to be;
 In it to suffer for our sake,
 And by it make us free.

3 O wondrous depth of love divine,
 That he should bend so low;
And, Mary, O what joy was thine
 The Saviour's love to know.

4 Joy to be Mother of the Lord,
Yet thine the truer bliss,
In every thought and deed and word
To be for ever his.

5 Now in the realm of life above
Close to thy Son thou art,
While on thy soul glad streams of love
Flow from his sacred heart.

6 Jesu, the Virgin's holy Son,
Praise we thy Mother blest;
Grant when our earthly course is run,
Life with the saints at rest.

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The Preparation of the Altar

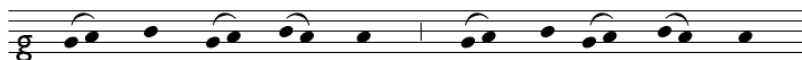
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to offer you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life

All: Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to offer you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God forever.

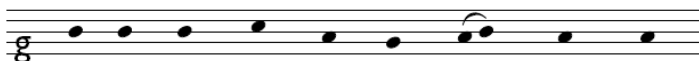
The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you **R.** and al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts. **R.** We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R. 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 singing:

Sanctus

The musical score for 'Sanctus' is written for a choir and all voices. It is in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and begins with a 6/8 time signature. The score is divided into four staves. The first staff is labeled 'Choir' and contains the lyrics 'Ho ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God - of pow - er and might.' The second staff is labeled 'All' and contains the lyrics 'Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the'. The third staff is labeled 'Choir' and contains the lyrics 'high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the'. The fourth staff is labeled 'All' and contains the lyrics 'Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The time signature changes from 6/8 to 3/4 in the second staff, and then to 2/4 in the third and fourth staves. The score ends with a double bar line.

Choir
Ho ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God - of pow - er and might.

All
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the

Choir
high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the

All
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please be seated

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.

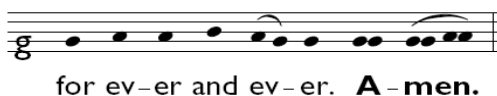
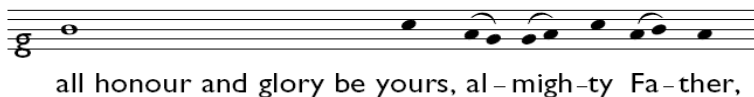
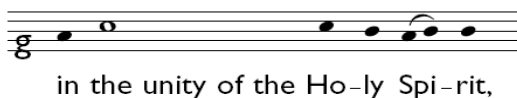
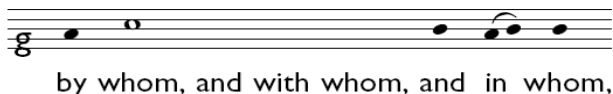
In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:



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 the Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Michael and all the angels and saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;



The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us so we pray:



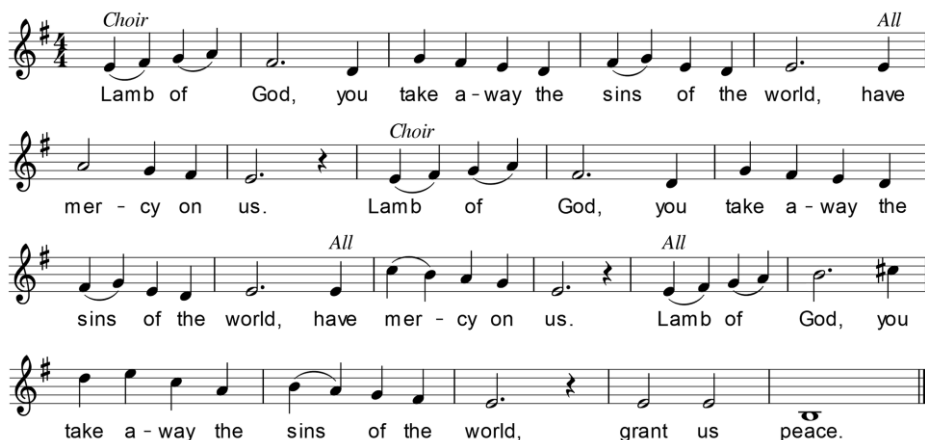
Our Fa-ther who art in hea-ven, hal-lowed be thy name; thy king-dom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.
And for-give us our tres-pas-ses, as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us.
And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion; but de-li-ver us from e-vil.
For thine is the king-dom, the power and the glo-ry, for e-ver and e-ver. A-men...

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

**All: Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei



Choir Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
Choir mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
All sins of the world, have mer-cy on us. *All* Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

The Communion

*Communicant members of all Christian Churches are
warmly welcome to receive Holy Communion.
Any member of the congregation may receive a blessing.
Those wishing to receive a blessing should please bring this
order of service with them.*

The Communion Hymns (NEH 275)

Blessed Jesu, Mary's son,
For mankind to earth thou camest,
But the saving battle won,
Now at God's right hand thou reignest:
On thy people pour thy blessing,
Gathered here, thy name confessing.

2 By this sacramental sign,
Token of the bitter passion,
Through these gifts of bread and wine
Thine own image in us fashion:
By this food thy grace doth send us
From all ills of soul defend us.

3 In this mystery of grace
Which we celebrate before thee,
Come, O Saviour, show thy face
To the faithful who adore thee:
All our sin by thee forgiven,
Grant us here the joys of heaven.

(NEH 276)

Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,
For thy flesh is meat indeed;
Ever may our souls be fed
With this true and living bread,
Day by day with strength supplied
Through the life of him who died.

2 Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies
This blest cup of sacrifice;
'Tis thy wounds our healing give;
To thy cross we look and live:
Thou our life! O let us be
Rooted, grafted, built on thee.

The Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love
shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;
glory to you for ever.

All: Amen.

**All: 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.**

Notices

The Blessing

The Lord be with you
All: And also with you.

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.

All: Amen.



The Recessional Hymn (NEH 186)

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name:
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might:
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

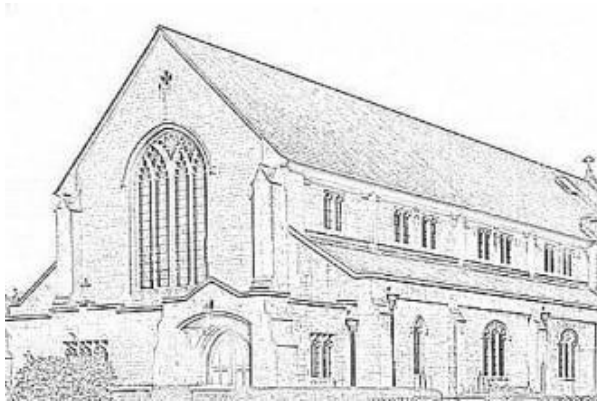
4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word:
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and for evermore.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.





Services and events this week

- **Morning Prayer - Monday to Friday**
10:00am on Zoom only
- **Sunday 2nd August – the ninth Sunday after Trinity**
8:00am said Mass in the church
10:30am Family Mass in the church
Celebrant and Preacher the Revd Andy Arnell
also streaming on Zoom

Services on Zoom

You can join any of our services which are streamed on Zoom,
including our daily Morning Prayer, using this QR code:





*My soul doth magnify the Lord
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour,
For he hath regarded
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me
and holy is his Name.*

✠ EXALTATA EST SANCTA DEI GENITRIX ✠



✠ ASSUMPTA EST MARIA IN CÆLVM ✠



✠ QVASI MYRRHA ELECTA ✠ DEDIT SUAVITATEM ✠