

THE EUCHARIST

ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 6 March 2022 at 11.00am

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on the First Sunday of Lent. We welcome those live-streaming from home, who share this service with those present in the Minster.

Today's services are sung by the Choir of York Minster. The setting of the Eucharist is the MASS IN G MINOR by Ralph Vaughan Williams.

The Preacher is the Revd Michael Smith, Acting Dean and Canon Pastor.

Information about this Service

- York Minster is keeping a number of safety measures in place to help keep our worshippers, visitors, staff and volunteers safe.
- Hand sanitisers are placed around the building for use at any time.
- We have various measures to enable people to enter and exit the building safely.
- Please follow the safety announcements and directions of our Stewards to help everyone stay safe this winter.
- Currently, Holy Communion is administered in one kind only. If you
 normally receive communion in your own church, you are very welcome to
 receive communion here. If you do not wish to take communion but would
 like to receive a blessing, please come forward and let the minister know.
- Gluten-free communion wafers are available from the communion station at the front, nearest the altar. Please follow the directions of the Stewards. When the time comes to receive communion, please ask the minister for a gluten-free wafer.
- This service is being live-streamed, but care is taken to focus on the clergy and not the congregation. For licensing and safeguarding reasons, please do not record this service on your own devices.
- If you would like to make a donation to support the mission and ministry of York Minster, there are contactless donation points and collection boxes available as you leave.

Please join in saying together the words printed in bold type.

The Gathering

The Litany

A bell is rung. Please stand as the choir sings the Litany in procession. In this season of penitence you are invited to use this time to seek God's mercy.

O God the Father, of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners. O God the Father, of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners. O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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Remember not, Lord our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. *Spare us, good Lord.*

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and at the day of judgement, *Good Lord, deliver us.*

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy servant Elizabeth, our most gracious Queen and Governor; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the High Court of Parliament and all the Ministers of the Crown, with grace, wisdom, and understanding; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word; We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us. Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

Music Thomas Tallis (1505-85)

The Greeting

The President says:

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.

The President introduces the service.

Please remain standing.

Prayers of Penitence

A Minister says:

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

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 choir sings:

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The President says:

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

The President says:

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

A reading from the book Deuteronomy.

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

DEUTERONOMY 26.1-11

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn



- 1. Be thou my guardian and my guide, and hear me when I call: let not my slippery footsteps slide, and hold me lest I fall.
- 3. And if I tempted am to sin, and outward things are strong, do thou, O Lord, keep watch within, and save my soul from wrong.
- 2. The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell 4. Still let me ever watch and pray, around the path I tread; O save me from the snares of hell,
- thou quickener of the dead.
- and feel that I am frail; that if the tempter cross my way, yet he may not prevail.

Words Isaac Williams (1802–65) Tune Abridge, NEH 64, Isaac Smith (1734–1805)

Please sit.

New Testament Reading

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

What does scripture say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart'

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

ROMANS 10.8b-13

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel may be heralded by music played on the organ.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." '

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." '

Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." 'When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

LUKE 4.1-13

After the Gospel the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The organist plays a musical response to the Gospel reading.

Please sit.

Sermon

The Revd Michael Smith, Acting Dean and Canon Pastor

The organist plays a musical response to the sermon.

Please stand.

The Creed

Let us affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The President introduces the Peace:

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Members of the congregation are invited to exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

The Offertory Hymn is sung, during which the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Offertory Hymn



- I. O thou who dost accord us
 the highest prize and guerdon,
 thou hope of all our race,
 Jesu, do thou afford us
 the gift we ask of pardon
 for all who humbly seek thy face.
- 2. With whispered accusation our conscience tells of sinning in thought and word and deed; thine is the restoration, the work of grace beginning for souls from every burden freed.
- 3. For who, if thou reject us, shall raise the fainting spirit?

 'Tis thine alone to spare: that thou to life elect us through our Redeemer's merit, shall be thy people's lowly prayer.
- 4. O Trinity most glorious, thy pardon free bestowing, defend us evermore; that in thy courts victorious, thy love more truly knowing, we may with all thy Saints adore.

Words translated from Latin, mostly by J W Hewitt Tune Innsbruck, Neh 75, traditional song set by H Isaac (c. 1450–1527)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

This prayer is said as the gifts are presented.

God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience, sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The following dialogue is said or sung:



Let us give thanks to the Lord_ our God. It is right to give thanks and praise._

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son.
For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again.
Through fasting, prayer and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart.
Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with joyful hearts and minds we bless you for your mercy and join with saints and angels for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, H
Dominus Deus Sabaoth, G
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. 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 congregation is invited to sit or kneel.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

This acclamation is used:

Jesus Christ is Lord: Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Peter the Apostle, William of York, and all the saints, to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

A short silence is kept.

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

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

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.

Giving of Communion

The President says an invitation to communion:

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The body and blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

During the distribution of Communion the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

miserere nobis. *the world, have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of

dona nobis pacem. the world, grant us peace.

Prayer after Communion

The congregation stands.

The President says:

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

All then say together:

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.

Hymn



- Forty days and forty nights thou wast fasting in the wild; forty days and forty nights tempted, and yet undefiled.
- Sunbeams scorching all the day; chilly dew-drops nightly shed; prowling beasts about thy way; stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.
- 3. Let us thine endurance share, and awhile from joys abstain, with thee watching unto prayer, strong with thee to suffer pain?

- 4. And if Satan, vexing sore, flesh or spirit should assail, thou, his vanquisher before, grant we may not faint nor fail.
- 5. So shall we have peace divine; holier gladness ours shall be; round us too shall angels shine, such as ministered to thee.
- 6. Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear, ever constant by thy side; that with thee we may appear at the eternal Eastertide.

Words G H Smyttan (1822–70) and F Pott (1832–1909)
Tune Aus der Tiefe, Neh 67, Nürnbergisches Gesangbuch (1676)

The Dismissal

The Blessing

The President says:

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

A Minister says:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Verses from The Lent Prose are sung as the procession leaves.