

Lent service

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Priest: In the name of the Father Son and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

The Lord be with you:

And also with you

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

after which we all say:

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 ABSOLUTION

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The **First Reading**

At the end

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you: **And also with you**

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

Glory to you, O Lord

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you O Christ**

THE HOMILY

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

THE INTERCESSIONS

Which Conclude with :

Merciful Father

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,

Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Priest: The Peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you.

We regret we cannot share the Peace

THE ALTAR IS PREPARED

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The priest continues the prayer, thanking God for his saving works, and then invites the people to say with the whole company of heaven:

THE SANCTUS:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

THE BENEDICTUS:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The priest asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify the bread and wine, and then repeats the Lord's own words over the bread and cup. The following acclamation is said:

Priest: Great is the Mystery of Faith

Christ has died

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again

The priest continues, joining our offering with Christ's offering of himself. The prayer ends with the words:

... for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

The priest breaks the consecrated bread in pieces for all to share:

Priest: 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:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace

The priest invites those who wish to receive Holy Communion:

Priest: 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.

As the Priest receives Communion he will say

‘The Body of Christ’

and the Congregation reply ‘**Amen**’

and then ‘The Blood of Christ’.

All reply again ‘**Amen**’.

(This provides an opportunity for the whole Congregation to make a statement of identification with the Communion they are about to make but will do so in silence).

TAKING OF COMMUNION

A time of silent prayer and reflection followed by our Post Communion Prayer:

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 AND DISMISSAL

Priest: The Lord be with you

And also with you

The Blessing is given and all respond. Amen

Priest: Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord

In the name of Christ. Amen