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The Eucharist for
The Sundays of Christmas and
Epiphany

Welcome to this beautiful Church

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We invite all those who know and love the Lord Jesus to receive communion. The information below will help you join in the service

The congregation says those parts that are printed in **bold** type. Though our choir leads the worship, everyone is welcome to sing those parts of the service set to music.

You will find the hymn numbers in the weekly pew sheet and on the hymn boards. Verses of hymns marked with an asterisk are normally omitted. The Collect, Psalm and Readings for the day are also found in the pew sheet.

When you come for communion, it helps those distributing the wine if you use a hand to guide the chalice to your lips.

If you do not wish to receive communion we hope you will come to receive a blessing. When you come forward please hold this booklet in your hands to show that you desire a blessing.

At every communion service Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please let a sidesman know if you require one.

If you would like to find out more about our parish, or about baptism, confirmation, or marriage, please speak to whoever greeted you when you came to Church. The ministers are always available to speak to anyone in need of counsel or who has questions about the life of faith. Their contact details are in the pew sheet.

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If you require toilet facilities or First Aid please speak to the person who gave you this booklet.



The church has an audio amplification system, and an induction loop is fitted for hearing aid users. Please switch to position 'T'.



Please turn your mobile phone **off** while you are in the church. Phones set to ring silently will still interfere with the sound system.

In case of Fire please follow the directions of the person leading the service.

The Gathering

Introit Hymn

The president greets the people

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.

Arise shine for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon 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

Deacon leads

Invitation to Confession

The grace of God has dawned upon the world
Through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
Who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.
Let us confess our sins.

Kneel or sit

**God of mercy,
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.
We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said
and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.
For the sake of Jesus who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and help us to live each day
in the light of Christ our Lord.**

Amen

The Kyrie Eleison is sung

[Kyrie Eleison]

Kyrie, eleison. (or) Lord, have mercy.
Kyrie, eleison. Lord, have mercy.

Christe, eleison. Christ, have mercy.
Christe, eleison. Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie, eleison. Lord, have mercy.
Kyrie, eleison. Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

The president says

The Lord enrich you with his grace
and nourish you with his blessing:
the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil;
the Lord accept your prayers
and absolve your offences,
For the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour
Amen.

Stand

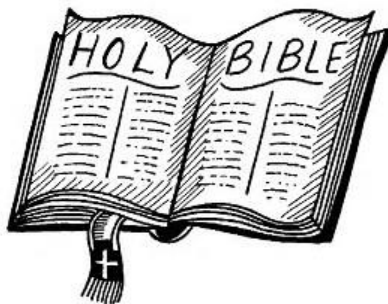
Gloria in Excelsis

**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,
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

The president introduces and leads the saying of the Collect which is on the front of the White Pew Sheet. All respond
Amen.



The Liturgy of the Word

Sit

Readings

One or more readings may be used.

After each reading the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

[Responsorial Psalm]

A responsorial Psalm may follow the first reading. This is on the pew sheet. The Cantor sings the verses and all make the response in bold type

Gradual Hymn

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

A Gospel acclamation is sung.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Stand

The Nicene 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

Lord accept your people's gifts,
not gold, frankincense and myrrh,
but bread and wine, the fruits of our labours,
and hearts and voices raised in praise
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Kneel or sit

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.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God,
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:
for at this time we celebrate your glory
made present in our midst.

In the coming of the Magi
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.

In the waters of baptism
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,
the Saviour sent to redeem us.

In the water made wine
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.

Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name
and sing our joyful hymn of praise.

**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;
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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

One of these two acclamations is used

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

(or)

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.**

You are the Saviour of the world.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.**

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon: 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 and Giving of Communion

The president breaks the consecrated 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 President gives the Invitation to Communion

Come to the Table of Plenty.

Come, when you are fearful, to be made new in love.

Come, when you are doubtful, to be made strong in faith.

Come, when you are regretful, and be made whole.

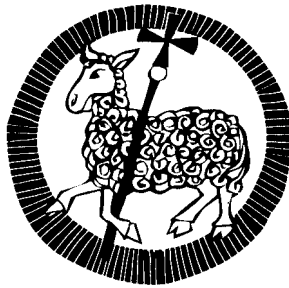
Come, old and young, there is room for all.

The president and people receive communion.

All are welcome to receive communion.

If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine please come to the communion rail to have a blessing, holding this booklet and keeping your hands below the rail will help us to know this is what you desire.

Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies
Amen.



Agnus Dei

Anthems and hymns may be sung during the distribution of Communion.

**Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

or

**Jesus,
Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus,
bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

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

**Jesus,
redeemer
of the world,
grant us peace.**

Communion Hymn

When all have returned to their places, Lay Elders collect the Blessed Sacrament to take to those unable to be present.

The President then says the Post Communion prayer.

If there are any Banns of Marriage they are published here.

If any newly baptised are present they are welcomed with the words on Page 15.

The Dismissal

Stand

The Parish Prayer

**O God,
guide us and strengthen us
in our mission to this parish,
and as we are renewed by your Spirit,
so may our church be rebuilt to your glory,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Blessing

The President offers this or another blessing.

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory
And gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;
And the blessing of God Almighty
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Deacon says

I will give you as a light to the nations,
That my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.

Go in the light and peace of Christ

**We go into the world to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory. Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

The Welcome and the Giving of a Lighted Candle

The newly baptised are welcomed into the family of the Church and given a candle lit from the Paschal Candle. When all have received a candle...

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and given us a place with the saints in light. *N and N.* you have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father**

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
N. and N. by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

Applause is appropriate. The service concludes with The Dismissal

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