

**Holy Trinity 10am Parish Eucharist  
with Baptisms and Admission to Holy Communion**

*14th July 2024*

*The 7th Sunday after Trinity*

**5pm Service** today is Choral Evensong

**VOLUNTARY**

*During which the following prayer is shown  
for some of the time on the screens:*

O Lord,  
Open our eyes to your Presence  
Open our minds to your grace  
Open our lips to your praises  
Open our hearts to your love  
Open our lives to your healing  
And be found among us.  
Amen.

(David Adam)

**THE GATHERING**

*Informal welcome*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

A&M 678

1 In Christ alone my hope is found,  
he is my light, my strength, my song;  
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
here in the love of Christ I stand.

2 In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless Babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
scorned by the ones he came to save:  
till on that cross as Jesus died,  
the love of God was magnified;  
for every sin on him was laid;  
here in the death of Christ I live.

3 There in the ground his body lay,  
light of the world by darkness slain:  
then bursting forth in glorious day  
up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
for I am his and he is mine –  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the power of Christ in me;  
from life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
can ever pluck me from his hand;  
till he returns or calls me home,  
here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

## THE GREETING

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

**All** **Amen.**

*President* The Lord be with you.

**All** **And also with you.**

*President* Please be seated.

*The President introduces the service and theme,  
including presentation of surplices to choristers.*

## THE COLLECT

*President* Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard seed,  
make it grow to your glory  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please stand for:*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### GOSPEL READING *Mark 1. 9-13*

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

*All (said)* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Phil* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All (said)* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**TALK** Phil Harper

## THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM

### PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*The president invites the candidates for baptism  
to face the congregation and asks them.*

*President* Do you wish to be baptised?  
*Candidates* **I do**

*The president addresses the whole congregation*

*President* Faith is the gift of God to his people.  
In baptism the Lord is adding to our number  
those whom he is calling.  
People of God, will you welcome  
these candidates and uphold  
them in their new life in Christ?  
**All** **With the help of God, we will.**

## **THE DECISION**

*The president addresses the candidates directly,*

*President* We all wander far from God and lose our way:  
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.  
In baptism we respond to his call.  
Therefore I ask:

*Candidates* Do you turn away from sin?  
**I do**

*President* Do you reject evil?  
**Candidates** **I do**

*The candidates are invited to turn and face the cross on the High Altar*

*President* Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?  
**Candidates** **I do**

*President* Do you trust in him as Lord?  
**Candidates** **I do**

## **SIGNING WITH THE CROSS –**

*The president makes the sign of the cross with the oil of baptism  
on the forehead of each candidate, saying:*

*President* Christ claims you for his own.  
Receive the sign of his cross.

*The Parents and Godparents are invited to make the sign also.*

*When all the candidates have been signed, the president says:*

*President* Do not be ashamed of Christ.  
You are his forever.

**All** **Stand bravely with him**  
**against all the powers of evil,**  
**and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

*President* May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,  
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

**All** **Amen.**

*The candidates for baptism and first communion, accompanied by their Parents and Godparents, process to the back of Church as we sing:*

***Please stand***

**SONG**

HON 45

1 As the deer pants for the water,  
so my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.

*Refrain:*

*You alone are my strength, my shield,  
to you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.*

2 I want you more than gold or silver,  
only you can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy-giver  
and the apple of my eye. (Refrain)

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***Please turn to face the font at the back of the church***

## PRAYER OVER THE WATER

*President* We praise you, loving Father,  
for the gift of your Son Jesus.  
He was baptised in the River Jordan,  
where your Spirit came upon him  
and revealed him as the Son you love.  
He sent his followers  
to baptise all who turn to him.  
Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water,  
that those who are baptised in it  
may be cleansed in the water of life,  
and, filled with your Spirit,  
may know that they are loved as your children,  
safe in Christ for ever.

**All** **Amen.**

*To all the candidates the president says:*

*President* Today is a joyful occasion that marks an important stage in your Christian journey. Having spent a number of weeks in careful preparation for this occasion, I am going to ask you three questions about your Christian belief.

*President* Do you believe in God the Father, who gives you life, knows you by name and loves you?

**Candidates** **I do.**

*President* Do you believe in his Son Jesus Christ, who loves you, who died and has given you a new life by rising again?

**Candidates** **I do.**

*President* Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, who is alive in you and makes you holy?

**Candidates** **I do.**

*The President addresses the congregation*

*President* Do you believe in God the creator who gives us life,  
in Jesus who gives us new life  
and in the Holy Spirit who makes us holy?  
**All** **We do.**

## **THE BAPTISM**

*The president pours water on each candidate, saying:*

*President* N, I baptise you  
in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
**All** **Amen.**

*The president prays for those who have been baptised, saying:*

*President* May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church,  
pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the  
company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be re-  
newed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of  
the saints in glory.  
**All** **Amen.**

*The other candidates for First Communion come to the font  
and sign themselves with a cross as a reminder of their own baptism.*

*Everyone returns to the front of the nave*

## **SONG**

HON 45

1 As the deer pants for the water,  
so my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.

*Refrain:*

*You alone are my strength, my shield,  
to you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.*

3 You're my friend and you're my brother,  
even though you are a king.  
I love you more than any other,  
so much more than anything. (Refrain)

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***Please sit***

## **THE RITE OF ADMISSION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

*The tutors say to the president*

***Tutor*** Patrick, on behalf of this community I present to you these young people to be admitted to the fellowship of the Lord's table.

***President*** Have they completed faithfully and diligently a course of preparation?

***Tutor*** They have.

*Addressing the congregation the president says:*

***President*** Before we receive these young people I must ask those who bring them to church that they will continue to play their part in nurturing their Christian faith by coming to the altar faithfully and regularly.

*Turning to the parents, sponsors & godparents*

Parents, godparents and sponsors, will you encourage these children to be faithful in worship and to receive this holy sacrament regularly?

***Parents etc.*** With God's help, I will.

*The President speaks to the young people*

***President*** We come now to the moment when I must now ask our young friends if they really desire to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.



*Candidates*      *N* do you want to be admitted to Holy Communion and receive the Risen Jesus truly present in this sacrament?  
**Yes I do.**

*Addressing the congregation, the president asks*

*President*      People of God, these young people are members of our Christian family. On behalf of the whole people of God are you ready to welcome with joy our young friends as communicant members of the church?

**All**              **In the Lord's name we welcome them.**

*President*      In the name of Bishop Ruth, I admit you to the sacrament of Holy Communion. May God bless you as you continue with us on the pilgrim journey of faith, and we look forward to the time when you come to be confirmed.

Let us pray.

God of life,  
you invite us to eat at your table;  
may *N*  
know your love  
as they share in your heavenly food,  
and may their lives shine with your light;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All**              **Amen.**

***The community expresses its joy and welcome with applause***

*The candidates are given a book, cross and certificate*

As a sign of our welcome and as a reminder of this happy day we give you each a book and a cross. We pray that as you read your books and look upon your cross you will realise how much the Lord loves you. We ask you to accept these gifts with our love and as a sign of our welcome and fellowship in the name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

## THE PEACE

*President* We are the body of Christ.  
In the one Spirit we were all baptised 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.**

*President* Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace.

## OFFERTORY HYMN

Slane

NEH 339

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art,  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord.  
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,  
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3 Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight.  
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;  
be thou my inheritance now and always,  
be thou and thou only the first in my heart,  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

5 High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after victory is won,  
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

## PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

*President* With this bread that we bring  
*All* **We shall remember Jesus.**

*President* With this wine that we bring  
*All* **We shall remember Jesus.**

*President* Bread for his body and wine for his blood,  
gifts from God to his altar do we bring.  
*All* **We shall remember Jesus.**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*President* The Lord be with you.  
*All* **And also with you.**

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

*President* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Question* Why is it right to give thanks and praise?  
*Answer* Listen, and we will hear.

*President* Lord of all life,  
you created the universe,  
where all living things reflect your glory.  
You give us this great and beautiful earth,  
to discover and to cherish.

You open our hearts to know your love,  
and are always with us  
in the new challenges we face.  
You made us all,  
each wonderfully different,  
to join with the angels  
and sing your praise:

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Mass of St Thomas

*All*            **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.**

We thank you, loving Father,  
because, when we turned away,  
you sent Jesus, your Son.  
He gave his life for us on the cross  
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit  
that these gifts of bread and wine  
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

*Question*    Why do we share this bread and wine?

*Answer*       Listen, and we will hear.

*President*    On the night before he died,  
when darkness had fallen,  
Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it,  
and shared it with his disciples, saying:  
'This is my body, given for you.  
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,  
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:  
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,  
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup  
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.  
As you feed us with these gifts,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
and change us more and more  
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

*Question* How do we follow Jesus Christ?

*Answer* Listen, and we will hear.

*President* Help us, Father, to love one another,  
as we look forward to that day  
when suffering is ended,  
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints  
we give you glory,  
through Jesus Christ,  
in the strength of the Spirit,  
today and forever.

**All** Amen.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*The President introduces the Lord's Prayer*

**All** 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*

*President* 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.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

*President* Everyone is invited to participate in the sharing of Holy Communion. Please wait in your seat until invited by a Churchwarden to move.

You can then either come forward to the high altar where there will be a common cup, or if you prefer, when you are invited to move, go to the font where Communion is offered with the bread dipped in the wine. If you are going to the back please make your way down the side aisles to avoid congestion in the centre aisle.

Whichever station you are going to,  
please wait until invited to make your way there.  
Thank you.

*President* Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

## **AGNUS DEI**

Mass of St Thomas

**All** **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.**

*The President and people receive Communion or a blessing.  
Please come to a communion station when indicated by a Warden.*

**Anthem**

*Awake, awake, O heart of mine!*

Becky McGlade

*Awake, awake, O heart of mine! Sing praise to God above;  
take up the song of endless years, and sing redeeming love!  
Redeemed by him who bore my sins, when on the cross he died;  
redeemed and purchased with his blood, redeemed and sanctified.*

*Redeemed by him, my Lord and King, who saves me day by day.  
My life and all its ransomed powers could ne er his love repay.  
And yet his mercy condescends my humble gift to own;  
and thro' the riches of his grace, he brings me near his throne.*

*Oh love unchanging, and sublime! Not all the hosts above  
can reach the height or sound the depth of God s eternal love.  
This wondrous love enfolds the world, it fills the realms above;  
'tis boundless as eternity: Oh praise the God of love!*

*(Fanny Crosby)*

**COMMUNION SONG**

Living God

HON 615

1 Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.

2 Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on us.  
Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on us.  
Melt us, mould us, fill us, use us.

Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on us.

## TRINITY VOICES

1. My eyes are brown  
Your eyes are blue  
Ev'ryone is diff'rent  
Just like me and you  
Take the hand I offer you  
Not a stranger anymore  
Now the world's a better place That's what friends are for

### *Chorus*

*Together we must make this world a caring place (There's  
so much for us to do)*

*Together we must make this world a sharing world (We can  
all share this dream)*

*Being diff'rent's not the same as being strange (We can  
reach for the stars)*

*Together we must find a way to make it change*

2. I like to dance  
You like to sing  
Everyone is special  
With each gift they bring  
Come and share your thoughts with me We can talk each  
problem through Now the world's a better place  
That's what friends can do

### *Chorus*

*Together by Lin Marsh*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All**            **God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life.  
Fill us with your Holy Spirit,  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**



# THE DISMISSAL

## The notices

### FIRST COMMUNION AND BAPTISM CANDLES

*The newly baptised are presented with a candle.*

President You have received the light of Christ;  
walk in this light all the days of your life.

*Those admitted to first communion only are  
presented with a candle.*

*President* My friends, together with your siblings in Christ  
you have received the most precious and wonderful gift from  
God. The Risen Christ has shared his life with us in the most  
holy food of the Eucharist.

As we are to be sent out into the world as ambassadors for  
Christ, we give you each a candle to remind you of this  
happy day and of your calling to share the light and love  
of Jesus in your daily lives.

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

***Please stand***

### THE BLESSING

*President* The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

*President* The God of all grace,  
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,  
establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;  
and the blessing of God almighty, †  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

Moscow

NEH 466

1 Thou whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray  
let there be light.

2 Thou who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
let there be light.

3 Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight;  
move o'er the waters' face,  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light.

4 Blessed and holy Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the world far and wide  
let there be light.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Please turn to face the West door at the back of the church*

*Minister*

Go into the world  
to walk in God's light,  
to rejoice in God's love  
and to reflect God's glory.  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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