



The Parish Eucharist on Mothering Sunday

19th March 2023

Slides with the following notices (can be put up before livestream starts)

Refreshments are served after the service – do stay and say hello!

Toilets (and baby change) can be found just inside the entrance

Prayer Ministry is available during the distribution of Holy Communion in the Beckett Chapel, on the right behind the choir stalls. You are welcome to come for prayer for yourself or to ask for prayer for someone known to you.

5pm Service today is a Traditional Holy Communion Service

VOLUNTARY

Prière à Notre-Dame

Léon Boëllmann

Prayer on screen during Voluntary:

Come, mothers, fathers and children,
come motherless, fatherless and childless,
whoever you are, wherever you come from.
Come as part of God's family
to hear his purposes for you,
and to praise his name.

THE GATHERING

The Rev. Kay Dyer welcomes the people

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Morning Light

1 Our Father God in heaven
on whom our world depends,
to you let praise be given
for families and friends;
for parents, sisters, brothers,
a home where love belongs,
but on this day for mothers
we bring our thankful songs.

2 What wealth of God's bestowing
for all the world to share!
what strength of heart outgoing
to children everywhere!

Our deepest joys and sorrows
a mother's path must trace,
and earth's unknown tomorrows
are held in her embrace.

3 How well we know the story
that tells of Jesus' birth,
the Lord of heaven's glory
become a child of earth;
a helpless infant sleeping,
yet King of realms above,
to find in Mary's keeping
the warmth of human love.

4 Our Father God in heaven,
to you we lift our prayer,
that every child be given
such tenderness and care,
where life is all for others,
where love your love displays:
for God's good gift of mothers
let earth unite in praise!

THE GREETING

President 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 President gives an informal introduction

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

President God shows us a way to live, but we do not always live our
lives that way; we think of the wrong things we have done,
thought or said.

In a few moments of stillness we call to mind our sins.

We clench our fist.

We offer to God that we are sorry for the times we have got angry with other people

We point our finger.

We are sorry for the times we have blamed others and seen the wrong in others and not seen our own faults.

We place our fist on our chest.

We are sorry for the times we have kept things selfishly to ourselves and have not wanted to help others.

We cover our mouth.

We are sorry for the foolish words we have spoken which have hurt others.

We cover our eyes.

We are sorry that we have chosen not to see the good things we could have done to help others.

We cover our ear.

We are sorry for the times we have not listened to the cries of those who are poor or who suffer injustice.

We open our hands.

We receive God's forgiveness and healing.

May almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive + you your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All

Amen.

THE COLLECT

We collect our personal thoughts and prayers in a moment of silence.
President God of love,

passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

All

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BIBLE Colossians 3:12-17

Read by Amelia Parkin

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

A&M 143

Dim Ond Jesu

1 Here is love, vast as the ocean,
loving kindness as the flood,
when the Prince of life, our ransom,
shed for us his precious blood.
Who his love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing his praise?
He can never be forgotten
throughout heaven's eternal days.

2 On the mount of crucifixion
fountains opened deep and wide;
through the floodgates of God's mercy
flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,
poured incessant from above,
and heaven's peace and perfect justice
kissed a guilty world in love.

The GOSPEL READING – John 19:25b-27

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

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please sit

TALK – Rev'd Patrick Taylor

BLESSING OF FLOWERS

President Blessed are you, Lord our God, creator of all.
May these gifts of flowers remind us of the joy of human love
and the depth of your love, shown in your son Jesus.
All **Blessed be God for ever.**

The posies are distributed as the choir sing:

ANTHEM

For the beauty of the earth

John Rutter

*For the beauty of the earth
For the beauty of the skies
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies
Over and around us lies
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise*

*For the beauty of the hour
Of the day and of the night
Hill and vale and tree and flower
Sun and moon and stars of light
Sun and moon and stars of light
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise*

For the joy of human love

*Brother, sister, parent, child
Friends on earth and friends above
For all gentle thoughts and mild
For all gentle thoughts and mild
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise*

*For each perfect gift of thine
To our race so freely given
Graces human and divine
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn, our joyful hymn of praise
This our joyful hymn of praise*

PRAYERS of Intercession led by Lynn Suter

The following response is used

Loving Lord, thank you for your tender care.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

President Through the prophet Isaiah, God says,
'As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

PREPARATION of the TABLE

*During the hymn bread and wine are brought to the altar
by representatives of the community and prepared for their holy use.*

Offertory Hymn

NEH 408

Blaenwern

1 Love Divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee,
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

The President leads a prayer of 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.**

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:

All (sung) **Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
holy is the Lord God almighty.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
holy is the Lord God almighty:
who was, and is, and is to come;
holy, holy, holy is the Lord.**

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.

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.

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 for ever.

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.

THE INVITATION

The President invites the people to receive Holy Communion

President God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy,**
 Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father

All (sung twice)

Ar hyd y nos

**Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world.
In your mercy, come and heal us; Lord, hear our prayer.
Take away our sins, forgive us,
Lamb of God, restore, redeem us,
Grant us peace, Lord, in your mercy,
Lord, hear our prayer**

ANTHEM

Ave Maria

Simon Lindley

*Ave Maria gratia plena, Dominus tecum, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.
Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae.
Amen.*

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,
Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our
death. Amen.*

COMMUNION HYMN

A&M 144

1 How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that he should give his only Son
to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss;
the Father turns his face away,
as wounds which mar the chosen One
bring many sons to glory.

2 Behold the man upon a cross,
my sin upon his shoulders;
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there,
until it was accomplished;
his dying breath has brought me life –
I know that 'it is finished.'

3 I will not boast in anything,
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
but I will boast in Jesus Christ,
his death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer;
but this I know with all my heart,
his wounds have paid my ransom.

TRINITY VOICES *Shall we not love thee, Mother dear?*

Simon Lole

*Shall we not love thee, Mother dear, whom Jesus loves so well?
And to his glory year by year the joy and honour tell?
Thy Babe he lay upon thy breast, to thee he cried for food.
Thy gentle nursing soothed to rest the incarnate Son of God.
O wondrous depth of grace divine that he should bend so low;
and, Mary, O what joy 'twas thine in his dear love to know!
And as he loves thee, Mother dear, we too will love thee well;
and to his glory year by year, thy joy and honour tell.*

PRAYER after COMMUNION

President With your holy gifts to feed us,
send us out, O God,
to show your care and love
for all your children.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

The notices

THE BLESSING

Please stand

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President May the Lord who brought you to birth by his Spirit,
strengthen you for the Christian life.

All **Amen.**

May the Lord who provides for all your needs
sustain you day by day.

All **Amen.**

May the Lord whose steadfast love
is constant as a mother's care,
send you out to live and work for others.

All **Amen.**

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

Woodlands

NEH 186

1 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 to 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.

***We face the doors of the church as we prepare to go out and be
Christ's presence in the world***

Minister Sisters, brothers and siblings,
 both young and old,
 go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

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

VOLUNTARY *Voluntary in G-Major, Op. 6, No. 7* John Stanley

 (played by Amelia Parkin, Organ Scholar)