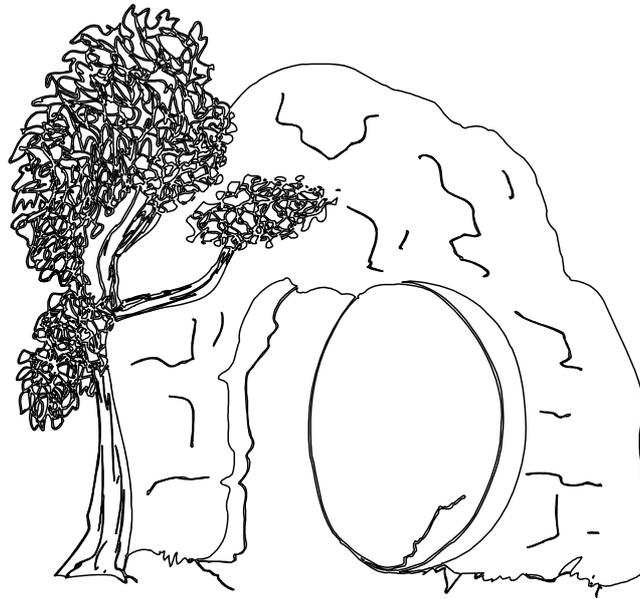


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## **ST MARY'S CHURCH**



# **EUCHARIST**

**– FOR EASTER 5 –**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 at 10.30am**

# THE GATHERING

*Our service begins with an organ voluntary and at the conclusion to the voluntary the clergy and congregation stand*

## THE EASTER GREETING

*President* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*All* **He is risen indeed.**

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

*President* Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

*President* Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life.  
Lord, have mercy

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

*President* Lord Jesus, you forgive our sins.  
Christ, have mercy

*All* **Christ, have mercy.**

*President* Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread.  
Lord, have mercy

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

*President* The Father of all mercies  
cleanses you from your sins,  
and restores you in his image  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The congregation remains standing as our cantor the GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO  
from Missa Sti Severini by Ferdinand Tangl*

GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH,  
AND IN EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TOWARDS MEN.  
WE PRAISE THEE, WE BLESS THEE,  
WE WORSHIP THEE, WE GLORIFY THEE,  
WE GIVE THANKS TO THEE FOR THY GREAT GLORY,  
O LORD GOD, HEAVENLY KING,  
GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY.  
O LORD, THE ONLY-BEGOTTEN SON JESUS CHRIST;  
O LORD GOD, LAMB OF GOD,  
SON OF THE FATHER,  
THAT TAKEST AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, HAVE MERCY UPON US.  
THOU THAT TAKEST AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, HAVE MERCY UPON US.  
THOU THAT TAKEST AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.  
THOU THAT SITTEST AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD THE FATHER, HAVE MERCY UPON US.

FOR THOU ONLY ART HOLY;  
THOU ONLY ART THE LORD;  
THOU ONLY, O CHRIST, WITH THE HOLY GHOST,  
ART MOST HIGH IN THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER. AMEN.

## THE COLLECT

*President* Risen Christ,

*All* **for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:  
open the doors of our hearts,  
that we may seek the good of others  
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,  
to the praise of God the Father.  
Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The congregation sits*

FIRST READING: *Acts 8: 26-40*

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

*At the end*

*Reader* For the word of the Lord

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation stands*

GOSPEL READING: *John 15: 1-8*

*At the beginning*

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

*All say* **Glory to you, O Lord!**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'

*At the end*

*Reader* This is the gospel of the Lord.

*All say* **Praise to you, O Christ!**

*The congregation sits*

THE SERMON

*The Revd Vaughan Roberts, Vicar of St Mary's & Team Rector of Warwick*

*The congregation stands*

EASTER CREED *from 1 Corinthians 15: 3-7*

*President* Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*All* **Christ died for our sins  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he was buried;  
he was raised to life on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
afterwards he appeared to his followers,  
and to all the apostles:  
this we have received,  
and this we believe.  
Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*President* In the power of the Spirit and in union with our Risen Lord,  
let us pray to the Father.

*The congregation kneels or sits and the prayers include these five concerns and follow this sequence:*

*The Church  
The world  
The local community  
Those who suffer  
The communion of saints*

*This response is used:*  
Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*At the end:*  
Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
For the sake of your Son  
our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

*The congregation stands*

### **EUCCHARISTIC 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.**

*President* It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

*All* **You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

*All* **He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

*All* **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

*All* **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

*All* **As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**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 sits or kneels*

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*President* As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray

*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

*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.**

## GIVING OF COMMUNION

*President* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*All* **Alleluia! Let us keep the feast.**

*Officiants will move through the congregation with communion wafers; please stand to receive. If you would prefer to receive a (non tactile) blessing, please stand and cross your arms over your chest. During the distribution our cantor will sing 'The Call' (Words: George Herbert; Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958))*

COME, MY WAY, MY TRUTH, MY LIFE :  
SUCH A WAY, AS GIVES US BREATH :  
SUCH A TRUTH, AS ENDS ALL STRIFE :  
AND SUCH A LIFE, AS KILLETH DEATH.

COME, MY LIGHT, MY FEAST, MY STRENGTH :  
SUCH A LIGHT, AS SHOWS A FEAST :  
SUCH A FEAST, AS MENDS IN LENGTH :  
SUCH A STRENGTH, AS MAKES HIS GUEST.

COME, MY JOY, MY LOVE, MY HEART :  
SUCH A JOY, AS NONE CAN MOVE :  
SUCH A LOVE, AS NONE CAN PART :  
SUCH A HEART, AS JOYS IN LOVE.

*The congregation kneels or sits*

## PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

*President* God of life,  
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son  
to the death of the cross,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
has delivered us from the power of our enemy:  
grant us so to die to sin,  
that we may evermore live with him  
in the joy of his risen life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*President* We thank you, Lord,

*All* **that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with the Risen Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples.  
Amen.**

*The congregation stands*

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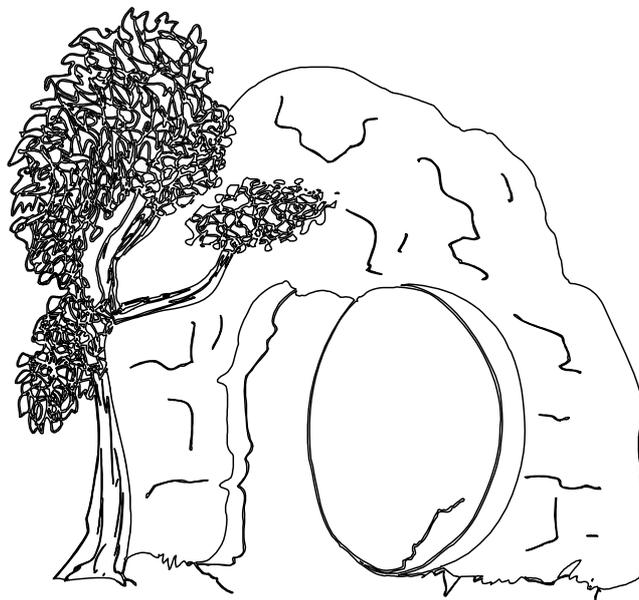
## THE SOLEMN BLESSING

*President* God the Father,  
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,  
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

*President* Go in the peace of Christ! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All* **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**



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