

**Saint Thomas's Church**  
**The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity**  
**Sunday, September 17, 2023**  
**High Mass at 11:00 am**



Joseph pardons his brothers, Bacchiacca, 1515  
The National Gallery, London

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## Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement, though we hope you will avail yourself of **coffee hour in the parish hall** following this service, if possible. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

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**Celebrant:** Fr. James Shire  
**Deacon & Homilist:** Fr. Nathan Humphrey  
**Reader:** Maureen Somerville  
**Director of Music:** Elizabeth Anderson  
**Assistant Director of Music:** Manuel Piazza

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**MUSIC OF THE MASS**

Mass for Four Voices, William Byrd (1543-1623)

**VOLUNTARY**

Ubi Caritas, Gerald Near (b. 1942)

**ENTRANCE HYMN 350** - All people that on earth do dwell

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him gladly serve, his praise forth tell;  
Come ye before him, and rejoice.
- 2 The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;  
Without our aid he did us make;  
We are his folk, he doth us feed,  
And for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3 O enter then his gates with praise,  
Approach with joy his courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless his Name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.
- 4 For why, the Lord our God is good;  
His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.
- 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
The God whom heaven and earth adore,  
From men and from the angel-host  
Be praise and glory evermore.

*OLD HUNDREDTH*  
*Melody from Genevan Psalter, 1551*

*Rev. William Kethe, 1561*

*The People kneel.*

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Choir alone sings the Kyrie.*

## KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Kyrie Eleison.  
Christe Eleison.  
Kyrie Eleison.

*The People stand.*

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

*Missa de Angelis*

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Glo-ry be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will to - wards men. We praise thee,  
we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo-ri - fy thee, we give thanks to thee  
for thy great glo-ry, O Lord God hea-ven-ly King, God the Fath - er Al - migh - ty.  
O Lord, the on-ly-be-got-ten Son, Je - su Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Fath - - - er, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, \_

have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,  
 re - ceive our \_\_\_\_\_ prayer. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of God the Fath - er,  
 have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art\_ ho - ly; thou on - ly\_ art the Lord;  
 thou on - ly,\_\_\_ O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art\_\_\_ most\_\_\_ high  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fath - - - er.\_\_\_\_ A\_\_\_\_\_ men.\_\_\_\_

*The People remain standing for the Collect.*

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

## FIRST LESSON Genesis 50.15-21

The First Lesson is written in the fiftieth chapter of the book of Genesis beginning at the fifteenth verse.

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The People remain seated for the Psalm.*

## PSALM 114

*In exitu Israel*

I. 8.



- Cantor* 1 WHEN IS-rael came out of E-gypt :  
*People* and the house of Jacob from among **the** strange p̄o-ple,  
2 Judah was his sanctu-a-ry : and Israel **his** dom-in-ion.  
*Cantor* 3 The sea saw that, **and** fled : Jor-**dan** was dri-ven<sup>^</sup>back.  
*People* 4 The mountains skip-ped **like** rams :  
and the little **hills** like yōung sheep.

- Cantor* 5 What aileth thee, O thou sea, that thou **fled**-dest :  
and thou Jordan, that **thou** wast dri-ven^back?
- People* 6 Ye mountains, that ye skip-ped **like** rams :  
and ye little **hills**, like yöung sheep?
- Cantor* 7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of **the** Lord :  
at the presence of the **God** of Jä-cob;
- People* 8 Who turn-ed the hard rock into a standing **wa**-ter :  
and the flint-stone in-to a sprüng-ing^well.

### **THE EPISTLE** Romans 14.1-12

The Epistle is written in the fourteenth chapter of St Paul's Epistle to the Romans, beginning at the first verse.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Cantor*                      *People*

Al - le - lu - ia.    \* Al - le - lu - ia. \_\_\_\_\_

*Tone VI*

*Cantor*                      A NEW commandment I give to you :  
that you love one another as I have lov-ed you.

*People*                      \* Alleluia.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 18.21-35

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Gospel is written in the eighteenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, beginning at the twenty-first verse.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Then Peter came and said to Jesus, ‘Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?’

Jesus said to him, ‘Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. ‘For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.” And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt.

But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, “Pay what you owe.” Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you.” But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt.



When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, “You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?” And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.’

The Gospel of Christ.  
**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

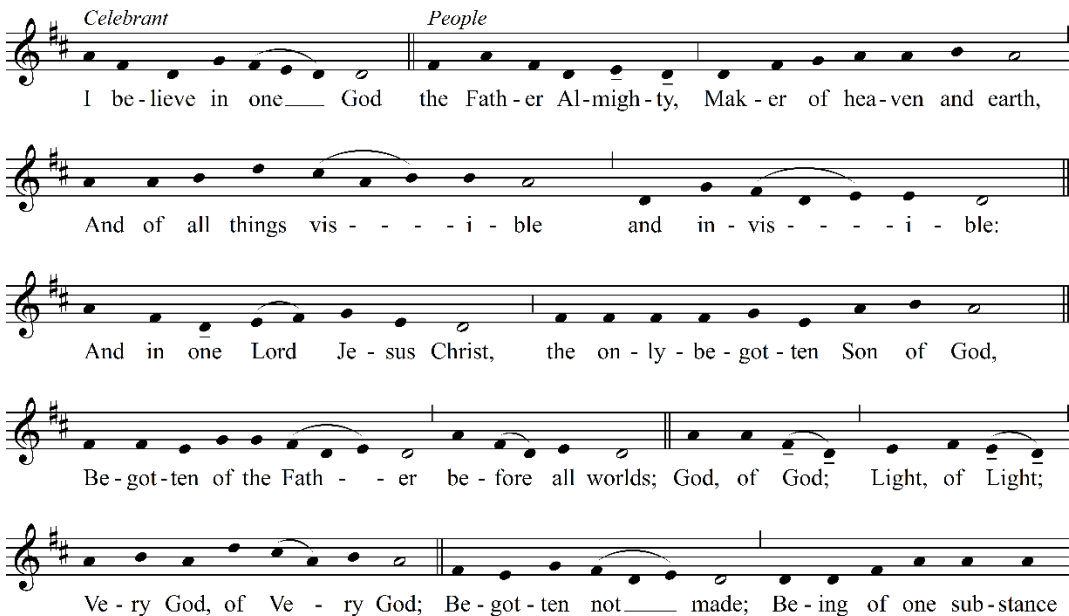
*The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.*

### SERMON

*The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at “and was incarnate,” rising after “and was made man.”*

### THE NICENE CREED

*Missa de Angelis*



*Celebrant* *People*

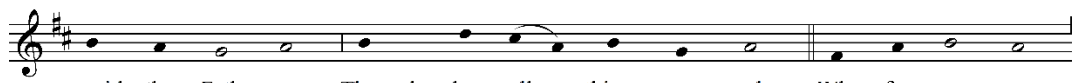
I be-lieve in one\_\_\_ God the Fath-er Al-migh-ty, Mak-er of hea-ven and earth,

And of all things vis - - - i - ble and in - vis - - - i - ble;

And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly - be - got - ten Son of God,

Be - got - ten of the Fath - - er be - fore all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light;

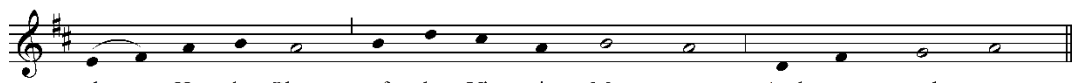
Ve - ry God, of Ve - ry God; Be - got - ten not\_\_\_ made; Be - ing of one sub-stance



with the Fath - er; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men



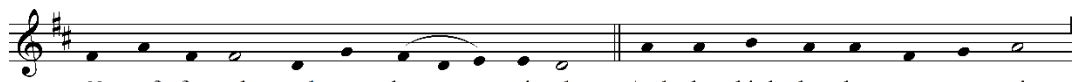
and for our sal - va - tion came down from hea - ven, And was in - car - nate by



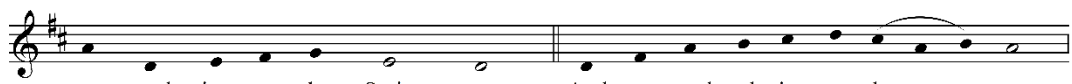
the Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry, And was made man,



And was cru - - ci - fi - ed al - so for us un - der Pon - tius Pi - late.



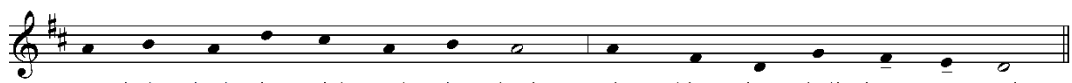
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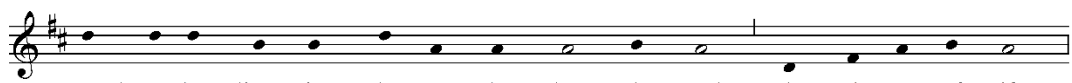
ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures, And as - cend - ed in - to hea - - - ven,



And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fath - er. And he shall come a - gain with glo - ry



to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose king - dom shall have no end.



And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost, The Lord, The Giv - er of Life,



Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fath - er and the Son, Who with the Fath - er and the Son



to - geth - er is wor - ship - ped and glo - ri - fi - ed, Who spake by the Pro - - phets.

And I be - lieve One, Ho - ly, Cath - o - lic, and A - po - sto - lic Church.

I ac - know - ledge one Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins. And I look for

the Re - sur - rec - tion of \_\_\_ the dead, And the \_\_\_ Life of the world to \_\_\_ come.

A - - - - - men.

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Blessed is he that considereth the poor and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble.

*The People remain standing for the hymn.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN 572 – O Jesus, I have promised

*All*    1    O Jesus, I have promised  
               To serve thee to the end;  
               Be thou for ever near me,  
               My Master and my Friend;  
               I shall not fear the battle  
               If thou art by my side,  
               Nor wander from the pathway  
               If thou wilt be my Guide.

*Upper* 2 O let me feel thee near me:  
*Voices* The world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle,  
The tempting sounds I hear;  
My foes are ever near me,  
Around me and within;  
But, Jesus, draw thou nearer,  
And shield my soul from sin.

*Lower* 3 O Jesus, thou hast promised  
*Voices* To all who follow thee,  
That where thou art in glory  
There shall thy servant be;  
And, Jesus, I have promised  
To serve thee to the end!  
O give me grace to follow,  
My Master and my Friend.

*All* 4 O let me see thy footmarks,  
And in them plant mine own:  
My hope to follow duly  
Is in thy strength alone.  
O guide me, call me, draw me,  
Uphold me to the end;  
And then in heaven receive me,  
My Saviour and my Friend.

*WOLVERCOTE*  
*William Harold Ferguson (1874-1950)*

*Rev. J.E. Bode, 1868*

*The People remain standing as the thurifer approaches for the censuring.*

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

*The People kneel.*

## INTERCESSIONS

*Celebrant:* Sisters and brothers in Christ, with joyous hearts and in communion with the Holy Catholic Church, let us offer up our prayers to Almighty God.

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for Kevin and Riscylla his suffragans, for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer, and for \_\_\_\_\_ according to the Parish cycle of prayer, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. *(Silence.)*



The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef. The staff is divided into two parts by a double bar line. The first part is labeled 'Intercessor' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and B4. The second part is labeled 'People' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and F4. Below the staff, the lyrics are written: 'Lord, in thy mer - cy, we be - seech thee, hear our prayer.'

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for Charles, King of Canada, and for all in civil authority under him in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the world, for those places affected by war, conflict, calamity, or disaster, especially for Ukraine and Sudan, and all other places we now name, silently or aloud. May God grant us the spirit of respect and forbearance for all nations and peoples. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for all who serve the needs of others in our community, for the volunteers and guests of the Friday Food Ministry, and for all those who labour in and use shelters, drop-in programs, foodbanks, and other social services. May God aid us to love him with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present in person or via livestream, and for newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far. [We give thanks especially on this day for \_\_\_\_\_.] And for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_. May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and for all those suffering in mind, body, or estate; for elders, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially\_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and those whose year's mind is at this time \_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace and rise in glory. *(Silence.)*

Lord, in thy mercy,  
**We beseech thee, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Heavenly Father, thou hast promised to hear what we ask in the Name of thy Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions. we pray thee, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as thou knowest and lovest us in thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The People remain kneeling.*

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff is divided into two parts: the first part is for the Celebrant and the second for the People. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you; And with thy spirit." The second staff is also divided into two parts: Celebrant and People. The lyrics are: "Lift up your hearts; We lift them up unto the Lord." The third staff is divided into two parts: Celebrant and People. The lyrics are: "Let us give thanks unto our Lord God; It is meet and right so to do."

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

*The Choir alone sings:*

## **SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
✠ Blessed is he that cometh  
in the Name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth:  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.  
✠ Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.



*The Celebrant continues,*

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake 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.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,

The musical notation is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It is divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The 'Celebrant' part consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, followed by a half note G4. The 'People' part consists of a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, and a quarter note B4. The lyrics are placed below the notes.


*Celebrant* *People*

O Fa - ther al - might - ty, world with - out — end. A - men. —

# THE LORD'S PRAYER


Music by John Merbecke

*Celebrant*




And now, as our Sa-viour Christ hath com-mand-ed and taught us, we are bold to say:


*People*



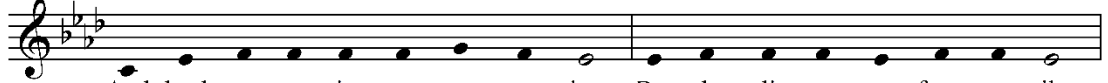
Our Fa-ther, who art in heav'n, Hal-low-ed be thy Name, Thy king-dom come,



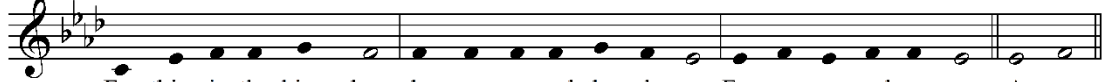
Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai-ly bread;



and for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give them that tres-pass a-gainst us;



And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-li-ver us from ev-il.




For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry, For ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

# FRACTION & PEACE


*A period of silence is kept. The consecrated Bread is broken.*

*Celebrant*



The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.

*People*



And with thy spi-rit.

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

*All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:*

We do not presume

**to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.**

*The Choir alone sings:*

### AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
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O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*The Celebrant turns to face the People and says,*

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world.

**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

### COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.*

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*

*If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing.*

*If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!*

## **COMMUNION DEVOTIONS**

*An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:*

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

## **ANIMA CHRISTI**

*The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.*

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesu, hear me.  
Within thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me.  
And bid me come to thee,  
That with thy saints I may praise thee,  
For ever and ever. Amen.

**MOTET**                    ‘Almighty and everlasting God,’ Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities, stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Collect for the Third Sunday after the Epiphany)

*The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.*

**COMMUNION HYMN 158** – The Lamb’s high banquet called to share

*All*     1    The Lamb’s high banquet called to share,  
              Arrayed in garments white and fair,  
              The Red Sea past, we fain would sing  
              To Jesus our triumphant King.

*Lower* 2    Upon the Altar of the Cross  
*Voices*    His Body hath redeemed our loss;  
              And, tasting of his precious Blood,  
              Our life is hid with him in God.

*Upper* 3    Protected in the Paschal night,  
*Voices*    From the destroying angel’s might,  
              In triumph went the ransomed free  
              From Pharaoh’s cruel tyranny.

*All*     4    Now Christ our Passover is slain,  
              The Lamb of God without a stain;  
              His Flesh, the true unleavened Bread,  
              Is freely offered in our stead.

*Lower*    5 O all sufficient Sacrifice,  
*Voices*    Beneath thee hell defeated lies;  
              Thy captive people are set free,  
              And endless life restored in thee.

*Upper* 6    We hymn thee rising from the grave,  
*Voices*    From death returning, strong to save;  
              Thine own right hand the tyrant chains,  
              And Paradise for man regains.

All 7 All praise be thine, O risen Lord,  
From death to endless life restored;  
All praise to God the Father be  
And Holy Ghost eternally.

*ST VENANTIUS*  
*Rouen Church Melody, 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> century*  
*Arranged by R. Vaughan Williams, 1906*

*Tr from the Latin (6<sup>th</sup> Cent) by Rev. J.M. Neale*

*The People kneel.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The People stand.*

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CONCLUDING HYMN 407** – Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

- 1 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
For we have no help but thee;  
Yet possessing every blessing,  
If our God our Father be.
- 2 Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;  
All our weakness thou dost know;  
Thou didst tread this earth before us,  
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
Through the desert thou didst go.
- 3 Spirit of our God, descending,  
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy;  
Love with every passion blending,  
Pleasure that can never cloy;  
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
Nothing can our peace destroy.

*MANNHEIM*  
*Friedrich Filitz, 1847*

*James Edmeston, 1821*

**VOLUNTARY**

Galliard to the third pavane, William Byrd (1543-1623)

*Coffee Hour follows this service in the Parish Hall.*

*There will be an Acolyte Induction this afternoon at the Evensong service, with a reception following.*

*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God.*

*Those at the High Altar given in memory of James Campbell Forsyth,  
Lilias Helen Simpson Forsyth, John Ralph Power, and Mary Evans Fiddes;*

*and*

*Those at the Lady Altar by David and Mary Lou Harrison, in loving memory of  
James and Vera Bonham, Elwood and Golding Foster, Ralph and Ruby Harrison,  
John Saunders, and the Reverend Canon Warren and Dorothy Turner*

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