



THE HOLY EUCHARIST
on the
SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

21 May 2023 at 10 a.m.

Organ Prelude "St. Magnus"
Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Introit Hymn *All stand as the celebrant and assistants enter.*
247 Hail the day that sees him rise

The Our Father

Collect for Purity

All. 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.

Summary of the Law

Celebrant. OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

All. Lord, have mercy upon us and write both these thy law in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Kyrie Eleison

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

Gloria in excelsis

Merbecke

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, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin 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 of the Day

Celebrant. The Lord be with you.

People. **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant. Let us pray.

All kneel.

O God the King of Glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah (32:14-20) Please be seated.

For the palace will be forsaken, the populous city deserted; the hill and the watchtower will become dens for ever, a joy of wild asses, a pasture of flocks; until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field, and the fruitful field is deemed a forest. Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness abide in the fruitful field. And the effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness

and trust for ever. My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places. And the forest will utterly go down, and the city will be utterly laid low. Happy are you who sow beside all waters, who let the feet of the ox and the ass range free. *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

Psalm (47:5-10)

GOD is gone up with a merry noise, /
the LORD with the sound of the trumpet.
O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; /
O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
For God is the King of all the earth: /
sing ye praises with understanding.
God reigneth over the nations: /
God sitteth upon his holy throne.
The princes of the peoples are gathered together, /
with the people of the God of Abraham;
For the rulers of the earth belong unto God; /
he is very highly exalted.

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter (4:7-11)

The end of all things is at hand; therefore keep sane and sober for your prayers. Above all hold unfailing your love for one another, since love covers a multitude of sins. Practice hospitality ungrudgingly to one another. As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who utters oracles of God; whoever renders service, as one who renders it by the strength which God supplies; in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel Acclamation

All stand.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord.
I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Reader. The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
(15:26-16:4)

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "But when the Counselor comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness to me; and you also are witnesses, because you have been with me from the beginning. I have said all this to you to keep you from falling away. They will put you out of the synagogues; indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. And they will do this because they have not known the Father, nor me. But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you of them."

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Homily

Please be seated.

The Creed

All stand.

I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light;
Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance
with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us
men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was
incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man,
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and
was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the
Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand
of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the
quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who
proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the
Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the
Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I

acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

The Intercessions

At the end of each petition: Lord, in your mercy;

Response: **Hear our prayer.**

The Confession & Absolution

Minister. 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.

All. **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all: 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 priest gives the Absolution and pronounces the Comfortable Words.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory

491 The head that once was crowned

All stand. Gifts of bread and wine are set on the altar and the collection is brought forward.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant. Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever.
All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine.

All. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

The Thanksgiving & Consecration

Celebrant. The Lord be with you;

People. **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant. Lift up your hearts;

People. **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

People. **It is meet and right so to do.**

The celebrant continues with the Preface.

All sing together the 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.

All kneel. The priest continues with The Consecration.

At the end of the Consecration, all respond Amen.

The Our Father

Celebrant. As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

All. **Our Father who art in heaven, ... For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant.

The peace of the Lord be always with you;

People.

And with thy spirit.

The Prayer of Humble Access *(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.

Agnus Dei

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace.

THE COMMUNION

If you have been baptised in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. Please proceed to the altar rail or to the communion station at the side altar if you wish to receive. If you would like Holy Communion brought to your pew, please notify a sidesperson prior to the beginning of the liturgy.

Communion Hymn

84 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

Choir Anthem

Go Therefore and Make Disciples of All Nations
Carl Schalk

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebrant. 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.

All. 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.**

The Blessing

Celebrant. 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.**

Dismissal Hymn

374 Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Organ Postlude Praise Him with the Sound of the Trumpet
Robert Lau (b.1943)

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