



St Michael's Church Parish Communion

Sunday 16th of May 2021

The seventh Sunday of Easter



Recorded remotely by the Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields in their homes, and edited together.

The WELCOME

A warm welcome to all who are watching our service this morning, whether that be via Zoom, Facebook, or YouTube.

Our opening hymn this morning is:

Crown him with many crowns



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Matthew Bridges (1800-94)

1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of Love!
Behold his hands and side,
those wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.



3 Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
and all be prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of Paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

4 Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
all hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

The GREETING

The president greets and welcomes the people

The Lord be with you

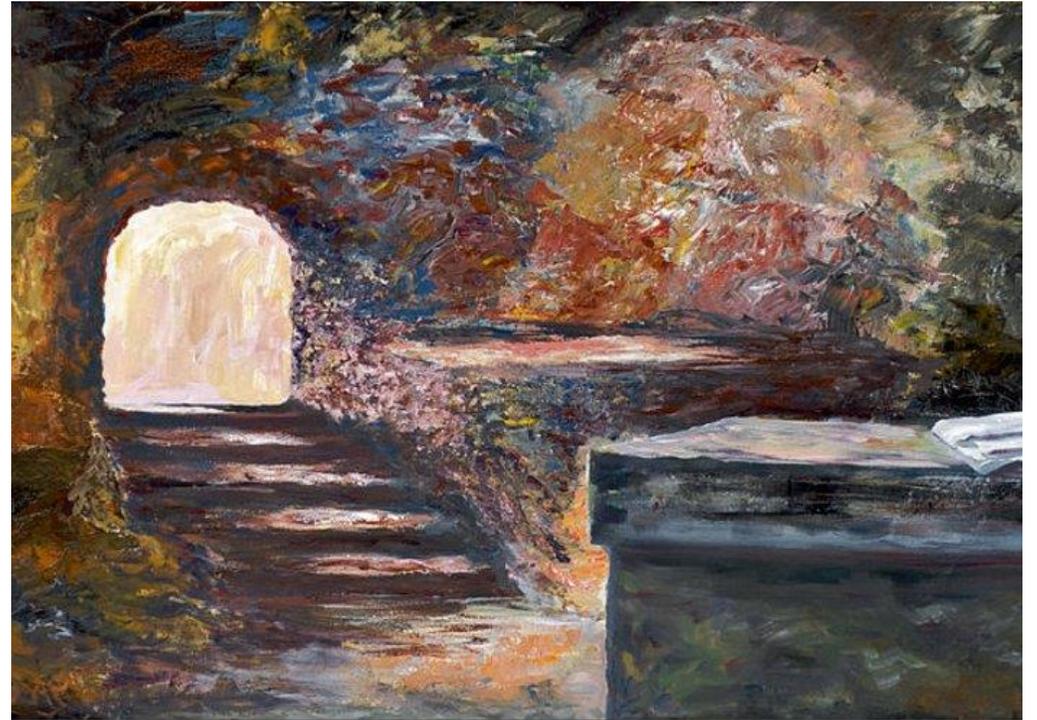
All **and also with you.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All **Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



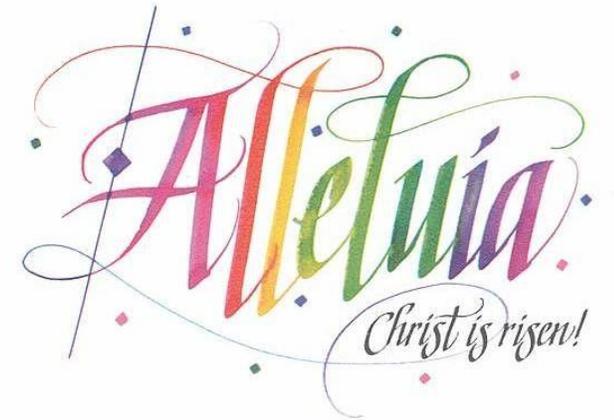
The PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Minister Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
The first commandment is this:
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.'
The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

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

Minister
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 in a short period of silence.

(Silence)



All

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you
And against our neighbour
In thought and word and deed,
Through negligence, through weakness
Through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Who died for us,
Forgive us all that is past,
And grant that we may serve you in newness of life
To the glory of your name. Amen.**

The president says

Almighty God,
who forgives all truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

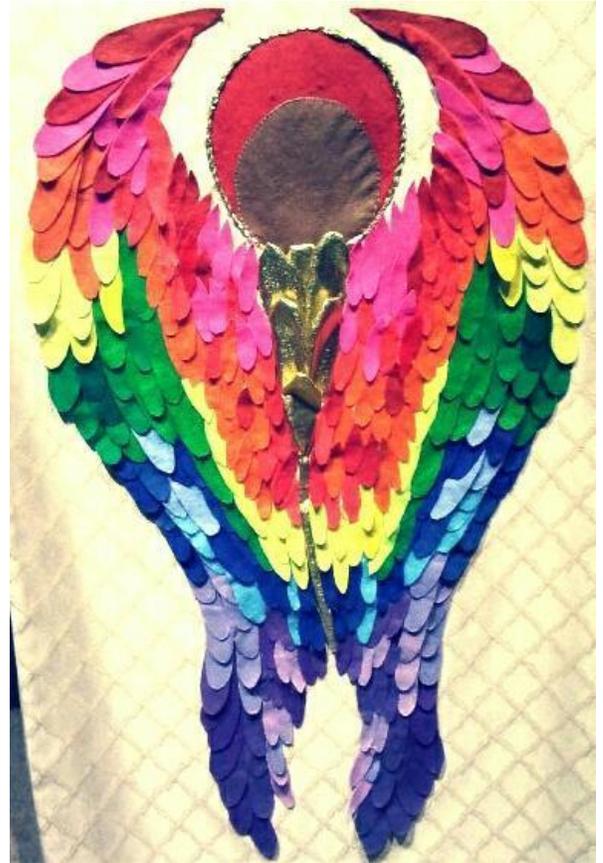
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Amen.

All **Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**



COLLECT

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and
compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.



The GRADUAL HYMN

Our gradual hymn this morning is:

Dear Lord and Father of mankind



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John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

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| 1 | Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re-clothe us in our rightful mind;
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise. | 3 | Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace. |
| 2 | In simple trust like theirs who heard
beside the Syrian sea
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee. | 4 | Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm. |



Gospel Acclamation (during Eastertide)

Reader Alleluia, alleluia. I am the first and the last, says the Lord,
and the living one; I was dead and behold I am alive for
evermore.

All **Alleluia.**

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The SERMON



The CREED

**WE BELIEVE in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**



**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

***The* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Minister
All

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer

At the end
All

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.



¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

The PEACE

President

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All

President

and also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace, with a wave or a smile!



PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

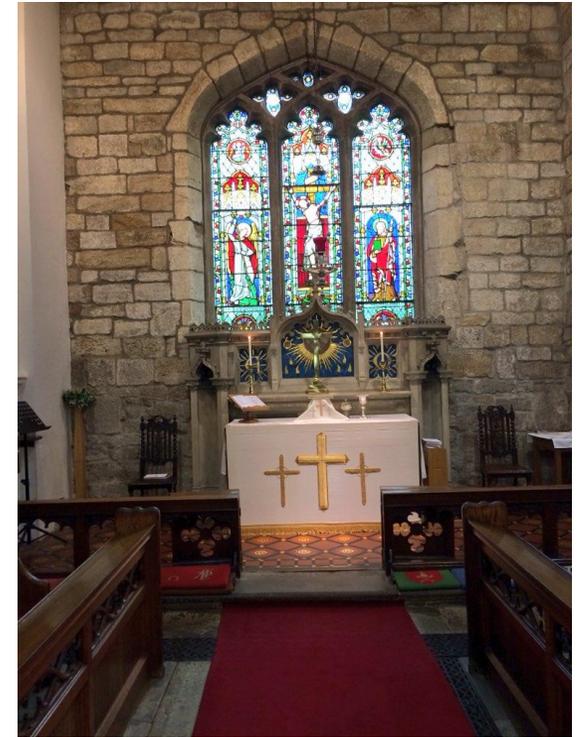
The president takes the bread and wine and says

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness
we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness
we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**



The EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord is here.

All **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

And now we give you thanks
because through him you have given us eternal life
and delivered us from the bondage of sin and the fear of death
into the glorious liberty of the children of God.
Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;



who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke 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.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
In remembrance of me

All Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.



And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

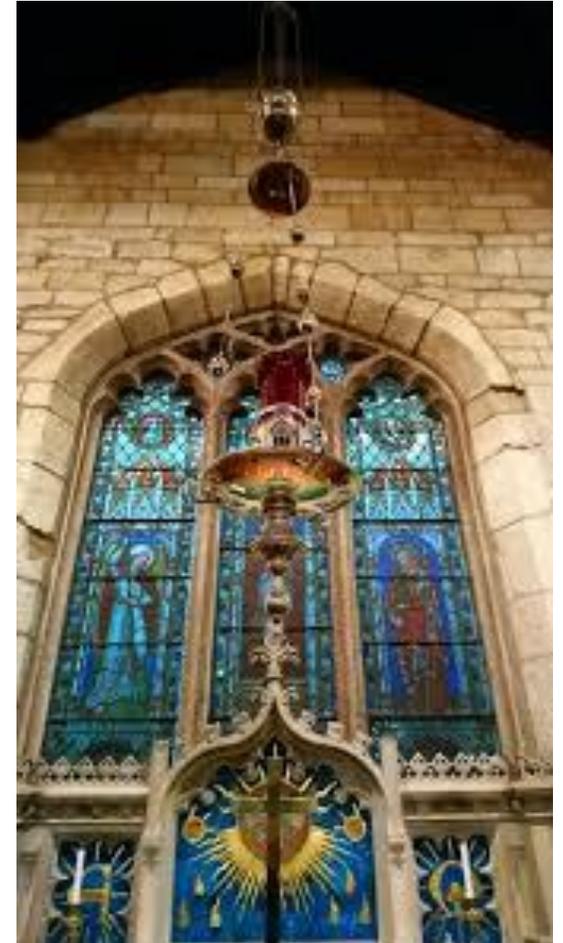
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Michael and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

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.**



The Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

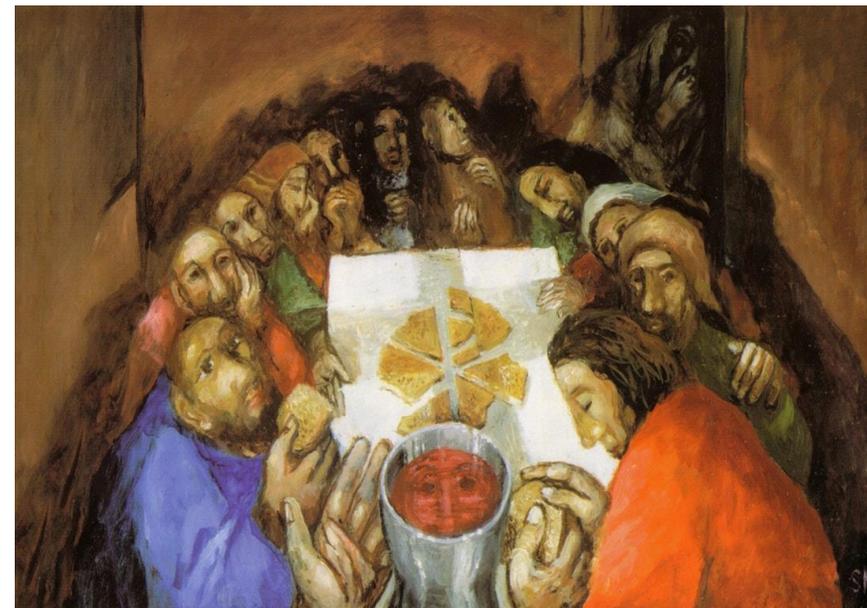
President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

**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 Giving of Communion

The president invites the people to communion using these words:

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 he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.
Amen.

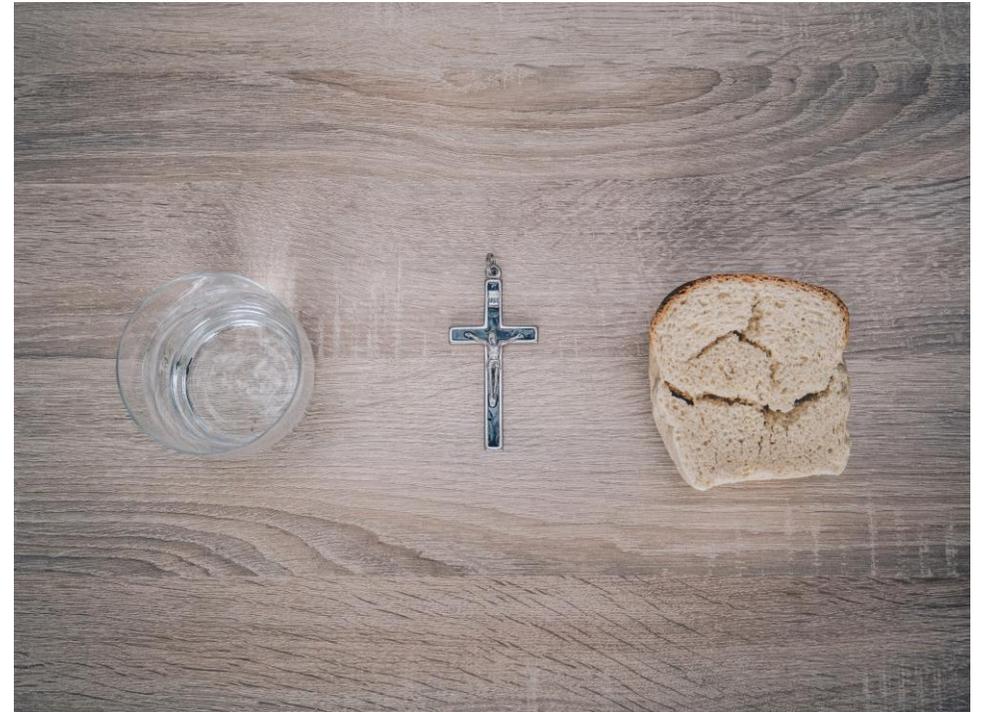
Minister The Body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

Minister The Blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

Silence is kept.



The Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

All

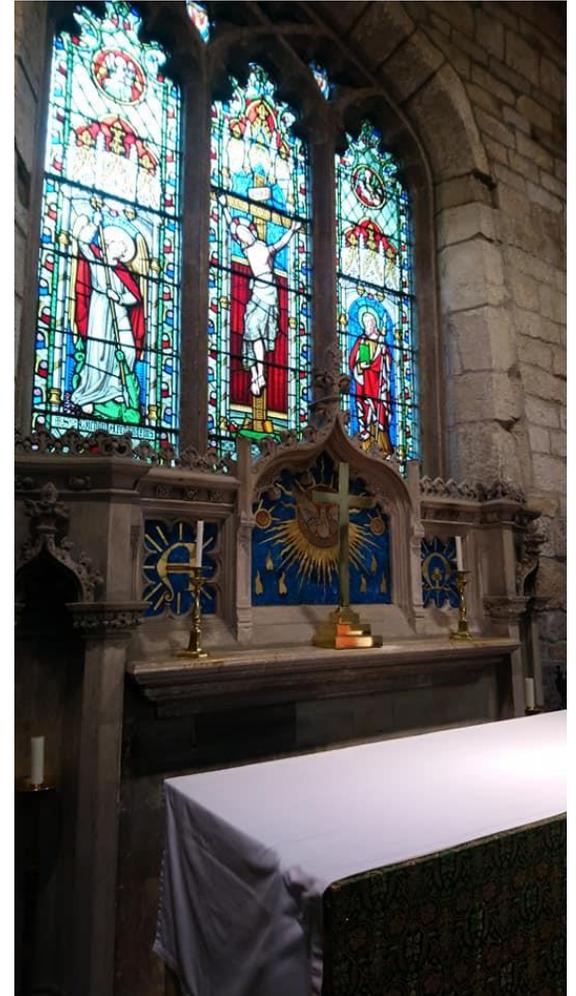
**We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us
in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste
of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples.
Amen.**



Final Blessing

Minister May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope
and a new future,
fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit keep you
in eternal life, now and forever. Amen.

Notices may be given on behalf of the church community



LICENSING SERVICE AT 10.15 A.M. ON SUNDAY 13TH JUNE

- Please come and join us to celebrate the licensing of Revd Fiona Jenkinson as our Associate Priest
- This service will be led by Bishop Mark Middleton
- Please note, it will take place in our church building only (not online)





CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 10TH TO 16TH MAY

- Please make an online donation at www.christianaid.org.uk
- If you can, please consider making a donation, fundraising or holding a virtual event in their support
- There are lots of ideas on their website





GIVING TO ST MICHAEL'S ONLINE

- If you can afford it, we'd be grateful if you could support our church in one of the following ways:
 1. Make an online donation
 2. Set up a Standing Order to donate regularly
 3. Send a cheque
 4. Fundraising from your online shopping via easyfundraising
- Use the QR code or visit our website:
www.stmichaelsflixton.org



Over the last year you have:

- ✓ Donated over £2,000 via your online donations
- ✓ Raised over £150 from your online shopping (via easyfundraising and AmazonSmile)



ONLINE COFFEE MORNINGS

- Taking place after these services via Zoom
- It lasts for no longer than 30 minutes
- Should be finished by 12.45 p.m. at the latest, but if you need to leave earlier that is fine as well



The CLOSING HYMN

Our closing hymn this morning is:

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!



Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2 Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promised,
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluia, bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne,
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.



The Dismissal

Minister
All

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
in the name of Christ, Amen.

