HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



Corpus Christi 2021

خوش آمـدى Welcome to Holy Innocents.

This leaflet contains all you need to join in the service. Words **in bold print** are spoken by all. Hymns are not announced. Please be as still and quiet as possible before the service as we prepare together to celebrate the Eucharist. The president and preacher today is the Revd Canon Michael Ainsworth. Please remain standing for the greeting and act of penitence.

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

As we prepare together to celebrate the mystery of God's love for us, and to give thanks for the Eucharist, let us call to mind our sins, and turn to God for forgiveness.

A time of silent prayer follows, then:

God be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face shine upon us: Lord, have mercy:

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May your ways be known on the earth, your saving power among the nations: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. You, Lord, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations: Lord, have mercy.

May God forgive us our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

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.

THE COLLECT The prayer for Corpus Christi

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer the president says the Collect. At the end: **Amen.**

Please sit down for the Ministry of the Word.

FIRST READING Genesis 14: 18-20

And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116

Lord, how can I repay all you ever give to me? Your endless love an eternal flame: Lord, if you say the word, I will take your blessing cup And I will call on your holy name

I trusted, went on trusting, through the night of pain;i in my anguish and affliction human help was vain.

In the service of your people I will spend my days — giving freely of my life-blood as I walk your ways.

You unbound me, gave me freedom You I gladly serve. In thanksgiving I will offer praise without reserve.

In the service of your people I will spend my days. In your temple, in your Church, Lord, Singing endless praise.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

At the end:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as we hear:

Author of life divine, who hast a table spread, furnished with mystic wine and everlasting bread, preserve the life Thyself hast giv'n, preserve the life Thyself hast given, and feed and train us up for heav'n.

Our needy souls sustain with fresh supplies of love, till all Thy life we gain and all Thy fullness prove, and strengthened by Thy perfect grace, and strengthened by Thy perfect grace, behold without a veil Thy face.

GOSPEL READING John 6: 51-58

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit down for the sermon. After the sermon there will be a time of silence. Then all please STAND with the president for the Prayer of the Faithful.

Lord, listen to the prayers of your people, gathered at your table.

In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we celebrate how Christ gave us his body to be our spiritual food, listen as we pray for his body the Church, spread throughout the world, praying particularly tonight for churches in those parts of the world where public celebration of the Eucharist puts worshippers at risk of persecution. In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we recognize the presence of Christ, who takes away the sin of the world, listen as we pray for that world and for its peoples for whom his blood was shed, for those places where violence and persecution are rife, where lives are lost in conflict. In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we come together as Christ gathered with his friends to give us this meal of holy fellowship, listen as we pray for all whom you have given us, our friends and all whose lives are joined with ours. In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we remember the night of Christ's agony and trial, listen as we pray for all who share his sufferings through fear or pain or distress of many kinds.

For the sick - for
In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we join our praises with the whole company of heaven, listen as we pray for all who have trusted Christ's promise to raise up on the last day those who share in this most holy sacrament and those for whom they pray... In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Lord, satisfy our hunger with the food that lasts, the bread of God which comes down from heaven and the wine that seals your covenant with your most beloved people and gives life to the world, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Amen.

The president introduces THE PEACE:

We are the Body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

All exchange a sign of peace as we hear:

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast, body of Christ, be thou my saving guest, blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide, wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection
may thy Passion be,
O blessèd Jesu,
hear and answer me;
deep in thy wounds, Lord,
hide and shelter me,
so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign, in death's dread moments make me only thine; call me and bid me come to thee on high where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

The bread and wine are brought to the altar. The president says a prayer over the gifts to which we all respond:

Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER follows.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

THE PRESIDENT continues the prayer, thanking God for his saving works, and then invites the people to join their praises with the whole company of heaven:

.....for ever praising you and saying:

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 PRESIDENT asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify the bread and wine, and then repeats the Lord's own words over the bread and cup........

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

THE PRESIDENT CONTINUES, joining our offering with Christ's sacrifice of himself. At the end of the prayer the president says:

....all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever:

Amen.

The President introduces the Lord's Prayer and all say together:

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.

We SIT or KNEEL as the president breaks the consecrated bread in pieces for all to share: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

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 president addresses those who wish to come to Holy Communion:

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world; blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Those who wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing draw near to the altar. During communion we hear Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart)

When all have received Holy Communion there will be a time of silence. At the end of the silence all please STAND with the President.

All praise to you, our God and Father, for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine; hear our prayer that being grafted into Christ, we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christ who has nourished you with himself the true and living bread, make you one in faith and love and raise you up on the last day, and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

Amen

Go in the peace of Christ:

Thanks be to God.

