

HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



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The Third Sunday of Epiphany
Sunday in the Week of Prayer
for Christian Unity

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Welcome to Holy Innocents.

*This leaflet contains all you need to join in the service. Words **in bold print** are spoken or sung by all. Hymns are not announced. For visitors, Gift Aid envelopes are available. Please be as still and quiet before the service as we prepare together to celebrate the Eucharist.*

When the bell rings, please stand to join in:

**When Jesus saw the fishermen
In boats upon the sea:
He called to them 'Come leave your nets –
and follow, follow me.'**

**They followed where he healed the sick
And gave the hungry bread,**

**And others joined them as they went –
Wherever Jesus led.**

**And now his friends are everywhere;
The circle once so small
Extends around the whole wide world
For Jesus calls us all.**

**In this great circle we belong,
Wherever we may be,
If we will answer when he calls
'Come follow, follow me.'**

The president today is the Revd Richard Young. 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.

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

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. **Lord, have mercy.**

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. **Lord, have mercy.**

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

Amen.

**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 this Sunday

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 Isaiah 9.1-4

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

At the end: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 27

**The Lord is my light, my light and salvation;
Who shall I fear, who shall I fear?
The Lord is my light, my light and salvation;
Why should I be afraid?**

When the powers of evil move towards me,
when my very flesh is under threat,
when my enemies smell the scent of vict'ry
they shall stumble and fall.

Should a mighty army camp around me,
still my heart would register no fear.
Though a war were waged, though it raged
against me, I'd trust God and stand firm.

One thing through it all my soul is seeking
to live all my life within God's house;
There to spend my days, gazing at God's
beauty while at one with my Lord.

God protects me in the time of trouble,
shelters me yet sets me on a rock.
Safe from ev'ry harm, safe from all that
threatens, I will sing and rejoice.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1.10-18

At the end: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to join in:

Alleluia, alleluia... **Alleluia, alleluia...**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined.

Alleluia, alleluia...

GOSPEL READING Matthew 4.12-23

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. The preacher today is The Revd Jane Walker. After the sermon there will be a time of silence. Then all please stand with the president for the PROFESSION OF FAITH:

We proclaim the Church's faith in Jesus Christ:

We believe and declare

**that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
is both divine and human.**

**God, of one being with the Father,
the only son from before time began;
human from the being of his mother,
born in the world.**

Fully God and fully human;
one human person with mind and body.

As God he is equal to the Father,
as human he is less than the Father.

**Although he is both divine and human
he is not two beings but one Christ.**

**One, not by turning God into flesh,
but by taking humanity into God.**

Truly one,

**not by mixing humanity with Godhead,
but by being one person.**

For as mind and body form one human being,
so the one Christ is both divine and human.

**The Word became flesh and lived among us;
we have seen his glory,**

**the glory of the only Son from the Father,
full of grace and truth.**

Please remain standing for the Prayer of the Faithful.

After each section:

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

At the end:

Into your hands, O Lord,

**We commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through your son, Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The president introduces THE PEACE:

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ,
there is a new creation. The old has passed
away: behold, everything has become new.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All exchange a sign of peace. Then please join in:

**Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine;
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.**

*Angels, saints and nations sing:
"Praised be Jesus Christ our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary!"*

**King, whose name creation thrills,
rule our hearts, our minds, our wills;
till in peace, each nation rings
with thy praises, King of kings**

**King most holy, King of truth,
guard the lowly, guide the youth;
Christ the King of glory bright,
be to us eternal light.**

**Shepherd-king, o'er mountains steep
homeward bring the wandering sheep;
shelter in one royal fold
states and kingdoms, new and old.**

**Eucharistic King, what love
draws thee daily from above,
clad in signs of bread and wine :
feed us, lead us, keep us thine!**

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:*

.....and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

**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:*

....we worship you, Father almighty, in songs
of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

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

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
may your will be done on earth
as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread
and forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Do not let us enter into temptation,
but deliver us from evil, for the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
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:

God's holy gifts for God's holy people:

**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
To the glory of God the Father.**

Those who wish draw near to the altar. Those who are baptized, and communicant members of other Christian churches, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Others are asked to fold their arms for a blessing.

During communion the choir sings a setting of Like The Murmur of the Dove's Song. When all have received Holy Communion there is a time of stillness and quiet, then all please stand with the President.

Let us pray. *After a moment of silent prayer:*

Almighty Father, whose Son, our Saviour
Jesus Christ is the light of the world:

**may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped,
and obeyed to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen.**

Please join in:

Christ is our light! The bright and morning star
covering with radiance all from near and far.

Christ be our light, shine on, shine on we pray
into our hearts, into our world today.

Christ is our love! Baptised that we may know
the love of God among us, swooping low.

Christ be our love, bring us to turn our face -
and see in you the light of heaven's embrace.

Christ is our joy! Transforming wedding guest!

Through water turned to wine
the feast was blessed.

Christ be our joy; your glory let us see,
as your disciples did in Galilee.

PLEASE SIT for the announcements then STAND for the blessing and dismissal.

Christ, the Son of God, perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

MONDAY 23rd

2000 Bell ringers

THURSDAY 26th

1930 Eucharist

SATURDAY 28th

1000 Foodbank

NEXT SUNDAY 29th Candlemas

1000 Sung Eucharist

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Like the murmur of the dove's song,
like the challenge of her flight,
Like the vigour of the wind's rush,
like the new flame's eager might:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

To the members of Christ's body,
to the branches of the vine,
To the church in faith assembled,
to her midst as gift and sign:

Come, Holy Spirit, come.
With the healing of division,
with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
With the power to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

