

Holy Innocents Fallowfield

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Images, Words and Music for Meditation
on the Blessed Sacrament



Thee we adore O hidden Saviour thee,
Who in thy sacrament art pleased to be
Both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail,
Yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

O blest memorial of our dying Lord
Who living bread to all doth here afford
O may our souls for ever feed on thee
And thou, O Christ for ever precious be.



Fountain of goodness, Jesus Lord and God
Cleanse us, unclean with thy most cleansing blood;
Increase our faith and love that we may know
The hope and peace that from thy presence flow.

O Christ whom now beneath a veil we see
May what we thirst for soon our portion be;
To gaze on thee unveiled and see thy face;
The vision of the glory and thy grace.





WE GATHER

God is here, welcoming us. We gather in friendship.

Every knee shall bow,, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord .

God is here, in every heartbeat, in every anxiety, in every breath. We gather in faith.

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord .

God is here, in every man, woman and child, in every personality, in every struggle.

We gather in reverence.

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

God is here, in every misunderstanding, in every stress, in every regret, in every broken effort. We gather in reconciliation.

Every knee shall bow,, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

God is here, in the Eucharist, in the Bread of Life, in the flesh of Jesus. God is truly here.

We gather in thanksgiving.

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

God is here, in every prayer, in every sigh, in every song, in every silence.

We gather in worship.

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

WE LISTEN

O God, I am listening. I desire a sacred dialogue with you that I may hear the call of deep relationship.

Let me hear your voice, O God.

O God, I am listening. I hear the story that connects human history, from Egypt to Jerusalem to the ends of the earth. May I be a bond of connection in this story.

Let me hear your voice, O God .

O God, I am listening. I acclaim the saving action of God through the Word, Jesus Christ. May I be a herald of this news across the fields of my journey.

Let me hear your voice, O God .

O God, I am listening. I feel my heart burning within me at the sound of your voice. May I come to recognise the distinguishable quality of your voice wherever and whenever it speaks to me.

Let me hear your voice, O God .

O God, I am listening. I am deeply affected by the words of mercy that come from your mouth. May my listening give me the ability to distinguish voices and to know the caller.

Let me hear your voice, O God .

O God, I am listening. I am open to the influence of the Word who has power to provide bread for the whole world. May I be transformed by this Word and become a giver of bread.

Let me hear your voice, O God .

O God, I am listening. I receive on my table the Bread of your Word. With Mary, I understand how this Word is the hope of our time, the river in the desert and I ask Mary to help me also to be a Christ-bearer.

Let me hear your voice, O God.

WE GIVE THANKS

At the dawning of each day we give you thanks O God, for the victory of light, for new beginnings.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God.

At the morning hour we give you thanks, O God, for parents and grandparents, teachers and guardians who directed our first steps and our first words to your love and protection.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God.

At the evening of our lives in the setting of the sun we give you thanks O God, for the miles we walked together.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God.

At the moment of opportunity in the vision of the dream we give you thanks O God, for the colours, shapes, sounds and smells that awaken our senses to life.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God.

At the ninth hour when fear and sickness bring down the night, we give you thanks O God, for carrying us through the darkness.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God .

At the season of joy and celebration we give you thanks O God, for health and happiness and laughter and song.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God .

At the times of achievement and victory we give you thanks O God, for good health, creative skill and perseverance.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God .

At the hour of death and departure we give you thanks O God, for the journey accomplished, for the promise of going on.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God.

At every step of life's journey we give you thanks, O God, for family, friends, neighbours and workmates, who light our way with friendship and hope.

I thank you forever, my Lord and my God .

WE OFFER GIFTS

We offer the gift of our food, given to us for eating and for sharing. May it be a sign of our unity with all people who hunger for the Bread of Life.

Receive our gifts O God, for the glory of your name.

We offer the gift of our speech, given to us to tell of the wonders of God. May it become part of the great voice of the assembly, gathered at the table to worship and to serve.

Receive our gifts O God, for the glory of your name.

We offer the gift of our material goods, given to us for responsible stewardship, to serve the cause of human dignity and peace on earth. May these gifts of shared resources, be a sign of our communion in the Body of Christ.

Receive our gifts O God, for the glory of your name.

We offer the gift of our faith, given to us from the heart of God, that we might build our lives in Christ and come to know the height and depth of God's love. May our faith be a signpost on the road.

Receive our gifts O God, for the glory of your name.

We offer the gift of our hope, given to us that we might survive the darkest hour and keep the lamp burning. May our hope keep us trusting in the wisdom of God for answers, and in the dream of God for fulfilment.

Receive our gifts O God, for the glory of your name .

We offer the gift of our love, given to us that we might be fully alive with the passion of Christ, for giving and forgiving, for breaking the bread and sharing the cup. May our love be part of the great and ultimate love of God, born in time, offered on the altar, available in the Eucharist.

Receive our gifts O God, for the glory of your name.

WE SPEAK PEACE

Peace to all people of good will, who pour dew drops on frozen soil and cause the sun to come out.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God.

Peace to all people of good will, who go to meet the enemy and open the bridge of hope.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God .

Peace to all people of good will, who close the chapter on suspicion and separation and extend the hand of friendship.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God.

Peace to all people of good will, who acknowledge their own blindness and break ranks to stop the cycle of violence.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God .

Peace to all people of good will, who offer their lives in the service of others.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God .

Peace to all people of good will, who think with understanding and send out a blessing.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God .

Peace to all people of good will, who share their material and spiritual resources on the altar of the world.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God .

Peace to all people of good will, who replace the harsh word with the kind word, who respond to criticism with understanding, whose spirits are enlarged by love.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God.

Peace to all people of good will, who make contact, and dig tunnels and keep the candle lighting and offer the cup of tea. Peace to them for where they reside, God lives.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall see God

WE ADORE

Blessed be God

Blessed be the holy name of God

Blessed be the sacred universe that God created

Blessed be the life systems that reflect the glory of God

Blessed be Jesus the divine son, true God and true human being

Blessed be the name of Jesus

Blessed be the heart of Jesus, burning for us

Blessed be the face of God in Jesus
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, who pleads our cause
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, who guides us in holiness
Blessed be the Holy spirit, fire and energy of God
Blessed be Mary, Mother of God
Blessed be Mary, Queen of heaven and earth
Blessed be Joseph, spouse of Mary
blessed be Joseph, just and humble man
Blessed be all the angels and saints of God, on earth and in heaven
Blessed be all who speak of God's love
Blessed be all who long to see God
Blessed be the holy communion of people who praise, the active living Body of Christ in
the world.

