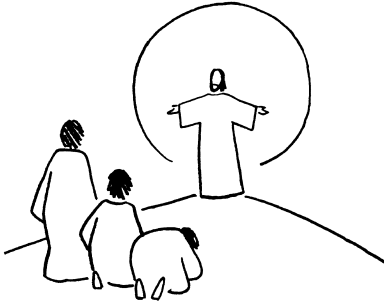


HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD

Sunday, 11th February 2024
The Sunday next before Lent



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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 by all. For visitors, Gift Aid envelopes are available. Please be as still and quiet as possible before the service as we prepare together to celebrate the Eucharist. When the bell rings, please stand.*

HYMN 176 omit v4

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.

God knows the innermost thoughts of our hearts. In sorrow for our sin, we turn to him for mercy and for grace.

A time of silent prayer follows, then:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbours

as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.

May God forgive us our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in 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 2 Kings 2.1-22

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50.1-6

The Mighty God, with power speaks, and all the world obeys;

from dawn until the setting sun,

God's wonder earth displays.

True beauty beams from Zion's hill,

For there God's rule shines forth,

and stars across the firmament

so brightly beam their worth.

The heav'ns declare your justice, Lord,
as endless as the sky;
against the taunts of disbelief,
our God will testify.
Receive my heartfelt gift of thanks,
O God of love and might,
refresh my faith with each new day;
protect me through the night.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4.3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled
to those who are perishing. In their case
the God of this world has blinded the minds
of the unbelievers, to keep them from
seeing the light of the gospel of the glory
of Christ, who is the image of God.
For we do not proclaim ourselves;
we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and
ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake.
For it is the God who said, "Let light shine
out of darkness," who has shone in our
hearts to give the light of the knowledge of
the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia...

Alleluia, alleluia...

This is my Son, the Beloved;
listen to him!

Alleluia, alleluia...

GOSPEL READING Mark 9.2-9

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

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
PROFESSION OF FAITH.*

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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and 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,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.**

*Please remain standing for the Prayer of the
Faithful. After each section:*

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

*After the final section (for the departed) there will
be a time of silent prayer. At the end:*

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers for the sake of your
Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. 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 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 and then join in:

**Alleluia, song of sweetness,
voice of joy that cannot die;
alleluia is the anthem
ever raised by choirs on high;
in the house of God abiding
thus they sing eternally.**

**Alleluia thou resoundest,
True Jerusalem and free;
Alleluia, joyful mother,
All thy children sing with thee;
But by Babylon's sad waters
Mourning exiles now are we.**

**Alleluia cannot always
be our song while here below;
alleluia - our transgressions
make us for a while forgo;
for the solemn time is coming
when our tears for sin must flow.**

**Therefore in our hymns we pray thee,
grant us, blessed Trinity,
at the last to keep thine Easter,
in our home beyond the sky,
there to thee for ever singing
alleluia joyfully.**

*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 singing:

**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.**

ی پدر ما که در آسمانی، نام تو مقدس باد، ملکوت تو
بیاید. اراده تو چنانکه در آسمان است، بر زمین نیز کرده
شود. نان کفاف ما را امروز به ما بده. و قرض های ما
را ببخش چنانکه ما نیز قرضداران خود را می بخشیم، و
ما را در آزمایش میاور، بلکه از شریر ما را رهایی ده.
زیرا ملکوت و قوت و جلالنا ابدالابد از آن تو است،
آمین.

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.**

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 draw near to the altar. Those who are baptized, as well as communicant members of other Christian churches, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Others are asked to fold their arms for a blessing. During communion, we hear Sweet Chance (Head), and then hymn 177. When all have received Holy Communion, what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle. After a time of stillness all please stand with the President.

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer.

Holy God, we see your glory
in the face of Jesus Christ:

**may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know
his power to change and save.**

**This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

HYMN 389

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

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, 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 12 th	1930 Eucharist 2000 Bellringers
Ash Wednesday 14th	1930 Sung Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes
Thursday 15 th	1600 Art Group 1930 Eucharist
Sunday 18 th 1000: Sung Eucharist for the First Sunday of Lent 1130: Bible Study for Lent: Poverty	

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Sweet Chance,
that led my steps abroad,
Beyond the town,
where wild flow'rs grow –
A rainbow and a cuckoo, Lord,
How rich and great the times are now!
Know all ye sheep and cows, that keep
On staring that I stand so long
In grass that's wet from heavy rain --
A rainbow, and a cuckoo's song
May never come together again,
May never come from this side the tomb.
A rainbow, and a cuckoo's song
May never come together again...

