

**HOLY INNOCENTS  
FALLOWFIELD**

**Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 2021  
The Second Sunday of Easter**

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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. Hymns are heard not sung. Gift Aid envelopes are available for the collection. 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 to hear:

***This joyful Eastertide  
away with sin and sorrow!  
My love, the crucified,  
hath sprung to life this morrow.***

***Had Christ, who once was slain,  
ne'er burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain.  
But now hath Christ arisen.***

***My flesh in hope shall rest  
and for a season slumber  
till trumpets east to west  
shall wake the dead in number.***

***Death's flood hath lost its chill  
since Jesus crossed the river.  
Lover of souls, from ill  
my passing soul deliver.***

The president and preacher today is the Revd Canon Michael Ainsworth. Please remain standing after the hymn.

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

***Alleluia! Christ is risen.***

***He is risen indeed, alleluia!***

***In the joy of the resurrection, in the light of  
faith renewed, and knowledge of sins  
forgiven, let us turn to the risen Lord in  
thanksgiving.***

A time of silence follows.

*May the God of love and power  
forgive us and free us from 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** Acts 4.32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 133** *is sung by the choir*

***O what a wonderful gift is our unity!  
Sisters and brothers rejoicing in harmony.  
Here the Lord promises life for eternity:  
Praise! Praise to the Lord!***

Like the ointment rich and rare,  
poured upon the high priests' hair,  
Rolling down the robes they wear:  
Praise! Praise to the Lord!

Like the dew at morning light,  
blown from Hermon's mountain-might,  
Settling soft on Sion's height:  
Praise! Praise to the Lord!

*Henry Mayor, after psalm 133.*

**SECOND READING** 1 John 1.1-22

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Please STAND for the Gospel Acclamation:

*Alleluia, 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.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**GOSPEL READING** John 20.19-end

*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 we 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, hear us: Lord, graciously hear us.*

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:

*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.*

**And also with you.**

All exchange a sign of peace as we hear:

*Come, ye faithful, raise the strain  
of triumphant gladness;  
God hath brought His Israel  
into joy from sadness;  
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke  
Jacob's sons and daughters;  
led them with unmoistened foot  
through the Red Sea waters.*

*'Tis the spring of souls to-day:  
Christ hath burst his prison,  
and from three days' sleep in death  
As a sun hath risen;  
All the winter of our sins, long and dark,  
is flying from his light, to whom we give  
laud and praise undying.*

*Now the queen of seasons, bright  
With the day of splendour,  
With the royal feast of feasts,  
Comes its joy to render;  
Comes to glad Jerusalem,  
who with true affection,  
welcomes in unwearied strains  
Jesu's Resurrection.*

*Neither might the gates of death,  
nor the tomb's dark portal,  
nor the watchers, nor the seal,  
hold thee as a mortal;  
But today amidst thine own thou didst stand,  
bestowing that thy peace which evermore  
passeth human knowing.*

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

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:

*Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.*

**Alleluia! Let us keep the feast.**

Those who wish to receive the Sacrament or a blessing approach the altar. Those who are baptised, whether or not confirmed are invited to receive the sacrament. During communion the choir sings *A Clare Benediction* (Rutter). When all have received Holy Communion what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle as we hear:

***I know that my Redeemer lives;  
what joy the blest assurance gives.  
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my everlasting Head.***

***He lives to bless me with His love,  
He lives to plead for me above,  
He lives my hungry soul to feed,  
He lives to help in time of need.***

***He lives and grants me daily breath;  
He lives and I shall conquer death;  
He lives my mansion to prepare;  
He lives to bring me safely there.***

***He lives, all glory to His name!  
He lives, my Saviour, still the same.  
What joy the blest assurance gives:  
"I know that my Redeemer lives!"***

After a time of silence, all please STAND with the President.

*Let us pray.*

After a moment of silent prayer.

***Lord God our Father,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have assured your children of eternal life,  
and in baptism have made us one with him:  
deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in your love,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Amen.***

PLEASE SIT for the announcements then STAND for the blessing and dismissal.  
*God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; 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, alleluia, alleluia:*  
**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

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Music: Toccatina (Yon)

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MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup>

1200 Eucharist

THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup>

1930 Eucharist

NEXT SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup>

1000 Sung Eucharist

1130 Annual Church Meeting

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