

HOLY INNOCENTS
FALLOWFIELD

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The Second Sunday of Epiphany

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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 quiet before the service as we prepare to celebrate the Eucharist. When the bell rings, please stand to join in:*

ENTRANCE HYMN 349

The president 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.

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 1 Samuel 3:1-10

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139

Bernadette Farrell

O God, you search me and you know me,
all my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down, you go before me:
ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising,
you discern my purpose from afar:
and with love everlasting you besiege me: in
ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord - you
have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.

For you created me and shaped me,
gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

SECOND READING Revelation 5.1-10

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel Alleluia:

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

Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Alleluia, alleluia...

GOSPEL READING Matthew 22:15-22

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit down for the sermon, from the Revd Jane Walker, which is followed by a time of silence. Then please stand with the president. The baptism candidates are called to the sanctuary step and are presented.

The president addresses them:

Do you wish to be baptised?

They reply: **I DO**

The president addresses the whole congregation:



Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome these candidates and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

Dear friends in Christ, the Church receives these people with joy. Today we are trusting God for their growth in faith.

Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith and walk with them in the way of Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

The president addresses the candidates:

Do you turn away from sin? **I DO.**

Do you reject evil? **I DO.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour? **I DO.**

Do you trust in him as Lord? **I DO.**



The sign of the cross is made on each person's forehead, in holy oil:

Christ claims you for his own.

Receive the sign of his cross.



After all have been anointed:

Do not be ashamed of Christ.

You are his for ever.

Stand bravely with him against all the powers of evil and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

The candidates and president process to the font. Water is poured into the font and blessed:

We praise you, loving Father, for the gift of your Son Jesus.

He was baptised in the River Jordan, where your Spirit came upon him and revealed him as the son you love.

He sent his followers to baptise all who turn to him. And so, Father, we ask you to bless this water, that those who are baptised in it may be cleansed in the water of life, filled with your Spirit and know they are loved as your children, safe in Christ for ever. **Amen.**

The candidates lead the profession of faith with the president:

We believe in God the Father:
**from whom every family in heaven
and on earth is named.**



We believe in God the Son:
**who lives in our hearts through faith
and fills us with his love.**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit:
who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.



Water is poured on each person:
.....I baptise you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

When all the candidates have been baptised:
May God, who has received you by baptism
into his Church, pour upon you the riches of
his grace, that within the company of Christ's
pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by
his anointing Spirit, and come to the
inheritance of the saints in glory.

Amen.

*The newly baptised are each given a candle, lit
from the Paschal Candle.*

Receive this light. This is to show that you
have passed from darkness to light.

**Shine as a light in the world,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Then the president leads the welcome:

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: by
one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of
faith; we are children of the same heavenly
Father; we welcome you.**

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.

OFFERTORY HYMN 271

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, 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
بباید. 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 وقت 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.**

**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, whether or not yet confirmed, 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, please join in hymn 294.*

*When all who wish to have received Holy
Communion there is a time of stillness.*

Then please stand with the President.

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:

**fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world. We ask this in
the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please join in:

I, the Lord of sea and sky,

I have heard my people cry.

**All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.**

**I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard You calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if You lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

**I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them - they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my Word to them.
Whom shall I send?**

**I the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them - my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?**

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

Christ our Lord reveal to you his glory
and pour upon you the riches of his grace;
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 15 th	1930 Eucharist 2000 Bellsringers
Thursday 18 th	1930 Eucharist
Saturday 20 th	1000 Foodbank
Sunday 21 st	1000 Sung Eucharist

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