

HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



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The Third Sunday of 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. Hymns are heard, not sung. Gift Aid envelopes are available. Please turn hearing aids to the T position. 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.

The president and preacher 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.

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our sins in penitence and faith.

A time of silent prayer follows, then:

Lord God, we have sinned against you;

we have done evil in your sight.

We are sorry and repent.

Have mercy on us. Wash away our sin.

Renew a right spirit within us,

**and restore us in your love,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Kyries are sung by the choir.

Then the president says the absolution.

May Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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 Exodus 20.1-17

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

In the place of the **PSALM**

Per crucem et passionem tuam, libera nos Domine. (*Lord, free us by your cross and passion*)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1.18-25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Lent Gospel Acclamation:

*A pure heart create for me, O God,
and give me again the joy of your salvation.
Harden not your hearts today,
but listen to the voice of the Lord.*

GOSPEL READING John 2.13-22

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 all 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:

*God is love and those who live in love live in
God and God lives in them.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All exchange a sign of peace as we hear:

***Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.***

***Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt -
fightings within and fears without,
O Lamb of God, I come.***

***Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.***

***Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.***

***Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken ev'ry barrier down;
now, to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.***

***Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth
and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.***

The offerings of the people are collected and 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:

.....we proclaim your great and glorious name, 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 God 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.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

have mercy on us.

Jesus redeemer of the world,

give us your peace

The president addresses those who wish to come to Holy Communion:

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin 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 to receive the Sacrament or a blessing approach the altar. During communion the choir sings *The Heavens are Telling the Glory of God* (Haydn)

When all who wish to have received Holy Communion, what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle as we hear:

My God, I love thee; not because

I hope for heaven thereby,

Nor yet because who love thee not

Are lost eternally.

*Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me
Upon the Cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear,
And manifold disgrace,*

*And griefs and torments numberless,
And sweat of agony;
E'en death itself; and all for one
That was thine enemy.*

*Then why, O blessèd Jesu Christ,
Should I not love thee well,
Not for the sake of winning heaven,
Or of escaping hell;*

*Not with the hope of gaining aught,
Not seeking a reward;
But as thyself hast lovèd me,
O ever-loving Lord!*

*E'en so I love thee, and will love,
And in thy praise will sing,
Solely because thou art my God,
And my eternal King.*

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

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer:

*Merciful Lord, grant to us your people
the grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds
to follow you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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

*Christ give you grace
to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves,
take up your cross, and follow him;
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 8th March

1200 Eucharist

THURSDAY 11th

1930 Eucharist

NEXT SUNDAY 14th

Lent 4: Refreshment Sunday

1000 Sung Eucharist

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The heavens are telling the glory of God,
the wonder of his work
displays the firmament.
To-day that is coming,
speaks it the day,
the night that is gone, to following night.

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
the wonder of his work
displays the firmament.
In all the lands resounds the word,
never unperceived,
ever understood.

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*Haydn, The Creation
Words from Psalm 19*

