

HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



Sunday, 19th November 2023
The Second Sunday before Advent

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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. Hearing aid users, the T switch gives access to the loop. Please be as still and quiet as possible before the service as we prepare to celebrate the Eucharist. When the bell rings, please stand to join in:*

ENTRANCE HYMN 336

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.

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:

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your kingdom: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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 God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. **R/**

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. **R/**

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. **R/**

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 Zephaniah 1.7, 12-18

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 90 *Restless is the heart*

**Restless is the heart,
until it comes to rest in you;
All the earth, all the earth shall
remember and return to our God.**

Lord, you have been our refuge through all time, from one generation to the next, Before the mountains were formed or the earth brought forth, you were God, Without beginning or end.

In your eyes a thousand years are like a day, no more than a watch in the night You sweep us away like a dream, like the grass that springs green in the morning But faded by night.

Make us know our life's shortness,
make us know our life's shortness
That we may gain new wisdom,
new wisdom of heart. In the morning,
the morning, fill us with your love.

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons,
brothers and sisters, you do not need to
have anything written to you.

But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for
that day to surprise you like a thief; for you
are all children of light and children of the
day; we are not of the night or of darkness.
So then let us not fall asleep as others do,
but let us keep awake and be sober; for
those who sleep, sleep at night, and those
who are drunk get drunk at night.
But since we belong to the day, let us be
sober, and put on the breastplate of faith
and love, and for a helmet the hope of
salvation.

For God has destined us not for wrath but
for obtaining salvation through our Lord
Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that
whether we are awake or asleep we may
live with him. Therefore encourage one
another and build up each other, as indeed
you are doing.

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

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, | God's own people,
called out of darkness into his | marvellous light.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 25.14-30

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.

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

Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please sit down for the sermon. The preacher
today is the Revd Canon Alma Servant. After the
sermon there will be a time of silence. Then all
please stand with the president for the Creed:*

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 of 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.

OFFERTORY HYMN 310 with v5 below

**May we thy word believing,
thee through thy gifts receive,
That, thou within us living,
we all to God may live;
Draw us from earth to heaven
till sin and sorrow cease,
Forgiving and forgiven,
in love and joy and peace.**

*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 وقوت 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:

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. When all have received Holy Communion what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle and there will be a time of quiet, then all please STAND with the President.

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer.

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope:

**bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen**

Please join in:

**Give to me, Lord, a thankful heart
and a discerning mind;**

**Give, as I play the Christian's part,
the strength to finish what I start
And act on what I find.**

**When, in the rush of days,
my will is habit bound and slow,
Help me to keep in vision, still,
what love and power and peace can fill
A life that trusts in you.**

**By your divine and urgent claim,
and by your human face,
Kindle our sinking hearts to flame,
and as you teach the world your name
Let it become your place.**

**Jesus, with all your church I long
to see your kingdom come:**

**Show me your way of righting wrong
and turning sorrow into song -
until you bring me home.**

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.

Music: Processional (Ives)

MONDAY 20th Edmund

1930 Eucharist

THURSDAY 23rd Clement

1930 Eucharist

SATURDAY 25th Catherine

1000 Foodbank

NEXT SUNDAY November 26th

1000 Sung Eucharist for Christ the King

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Notre unique espérance

Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux.

De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence

Divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux

Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce puissante

Que tout l'enfer fuie au son de ta voix

Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante

Qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois.

O Christ soit favorable à ce peuple fidèle

Pour te bénir maintenant rassemblé.

Reçois les chants qu'il offrent

A ta gloire immortelle

Et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé.