

HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



Sunday, February 9th 2025
The Fourth Sunday 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 or sung by all. Hymns are not announced.*

For visitors, Gift Aid envelopes are available. It is our tradition 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 join in:

ENTRANCE HYMN 114

The president 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.

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:

Let your faithful love come unto us, O Lord,
Save us, according to your promise:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Your word is a lantern to our feet
and a light upon our path:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

We have gone astray like lost sheep;
O seek your servants, for we do not forget
your commandments. 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 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 Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed, and your sin is blotted out."

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
"Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"
And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138 (please join in)

I shall praise you, O God, from my soul,
I shall praise you, O God, from my soul;
though my song be at odds
with the will of earthly gods,
I shall praise you, O God, from my soul.

I shall bow down before heaven's throne,
I shall bow down before heaven's throne;
and with joy I'll confess
your great love and faithfulness.
I shall bow down before heaven's throne.

Lord, your promise is raised above heaven,
Lord, your promise is raised above heaven;
you replied to my plea,
giving hope and strength to me.
Lord, your promise is raised above heaven.

Let the monarchs of earth know your name,
Let the monarchs of earth know your name;
let them learn of your ways
and respond in fear and praise.
Let the monarchs of earth know your name.

Though exalted, God cares for the poor,
though exalted, God cares for the poor;
and he notes if the proud
walk the paths he disallowed.
Though exalted, God cares for the poor.

John L. Bell (born 1949)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia..

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...

Cleanse our hearts and minds, almighty God,
that we may hear your holy Gospel
in true faith and love.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...

GOSPEL READING Luke 5.1-11

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

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 is
the Revd Canon Michael Ainsworth. After the
sermon there will be a time of silence. Then all
please stand with the president for the Creed:*

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.

*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:

**And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain—
for me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be,
that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

'Tis mystery all: th'Immortal dies:
who can explore His strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries
to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above -
so free, so infinite His grace—
Emptied Himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
for O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay,
fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;
Alive in Him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

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:

.....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
بر زمین نیز کرده بیاید. اراده تو چنانکه در آسمان است،
و قرض های ما شود. نان کفاف ما را امروز به ما بده.
و را ببخش چنانکه ما نیز قرضداران خود را می بخشیم،
ما را در آزمایش میاور، بلکه از شریر ما را رهایی ده.
زیرا
ملکوت وقت و جلالتا ابدالابد از آن تو است، آمی

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 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 via the central aisle. Those who are baptized, as well as communicant members of other Christian churches, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Others are asked to cross their arms for a blessing, During communion we sing 'I the Lord of sea and sky.'"

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 stillness and quiet, then all please stand with the President.

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer.

Go before us, Lord, in all we do, with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help,

that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 361

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 10th

1930 Eucharist

THURSDAY 13th

1930 Eucharist

SATURDAY 15th

1000 Foodbank

NEXT SUNDAY 16th

1000 Sung Eucharist

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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?