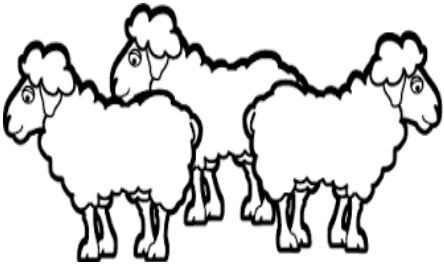
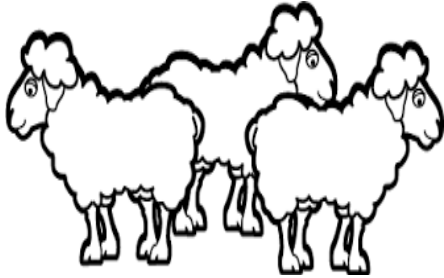


HOLY INNOCENTS
FALLOWFIELD



Sunday, April 26th 2026
The Fourth 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. For visitors, Gift Aid envelopes are available. 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 sing:

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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed, alleluia!

The risen Christ calls us to himself. Let us prepare to celebrate the mystery of his resurrection by calling to mind our sins.

After a time of silent prayer:

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have wandered

and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things

that we ought to have done;

and we have done those things

that we ought not to have done;

and there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us sinners.

Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent,

according to your promises

declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father,

for his sake,

that we may live a disciplined,

righteous and godly life,

to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from

our sins, and restore us in his image

to the praise and glory of his name,

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 Acts 2.44-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles.

All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need.

Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.

And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

**His goodness shall follow me always,
to the end of my days.**

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff -
with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2.19-25

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

For you were going astray like sheep,
but now you have returned to the shepherd
and guardian of your souls.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

GOSPEL READING John 10.1-10

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glorify 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 Michael Ainsworth. After
the sermon there will be a time of silence. Then we
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:

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.

HYMN 103

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
in 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.**

جماعت :

ای 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 وقوت و جلال
تا 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:

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. All who are baptised are invited to receive Holy Communion. During communion we hear Loving Shepherd of thy Sheep. When all have received Holy Communion what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle and there is a time of stillness and quiet. Then all please stand with the president.

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer.

Merciful Father,

you gave your Son Jesus Christ

to be the good shepherd,

and in his love for us

to lay down his life and rise again:

keep us always under his protection,

and give us grace to follow in his steps;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HYMN 282

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

May 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.

Music: Sheep may safely graze

MONDAY April 27th

1930 Eucharist

WEDNESDAY April 29th

1930 PCC

THURSDAY April 30th

1930 Eucharist

SUNDAY May 3rd

Sung Eucharist

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Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,
keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
nothing can thy power withstand,
none can pluck me from thy hand.

Loving Saviour, thou didst give
thine own life that we might live,
and the hands outstretched to bless
bear the cruel nails' impress.

Loving Shepherd, ever near,
teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
suffer not my steps to stray
from the straight and narrow way.
Where thou leadest I would go,
walking in thy steps below,
till before my Father's throne
I shall know as I am known.
