

HOLY INNOCENTS  
FALLOWFIELD



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The Third 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 by all. Hymns are heard not sung. For visitors, Gift Aid envelopes are available. Please be as still and quiet before the service as we prepare together to celebrate the Eucharist. When the bell rings, please stand.

The preacher and 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.**

*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** Genesis 14.17-20

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High.\* He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

At the end:

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 128

Happy all those who fear the Lord and walk in the ways of truth; they will find what they long for, the riches of our God.

Their families shall be like a fruitful vine in the heart of their home; children shall flourish like olive branches rejoicing at the table.

May the blessings of God be yours all the days of your life; may the peace and love of God, live always in your heart.

## SECOND READING Revelation 19.6-10

At the end:

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation:

## GOSPEL READING John 2.1-11

*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 please 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.*

**hear our prayer.**

At the end:

*Into your hands, O Lord,*

**We commend all for whom we pray,**

**trusting in your mercy; through your son,**

**Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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.*

*The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

**And also with you.**

All exchange a sign of peace as we hear:

**O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray that all thy Church might be for ever one, grant us at every Eucharist to say**

**with longing heart and soul,**

**"thy will be done."**

**O may we all one Bread, one Body be, through this blest Sacrament of unity.**

**For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede;**

*make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;  
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,  
by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;  
thus may we all one Bread, one Body be,  
through this blest Sacrament of unity.*

*We pray thee too  
for wanderers from thy fold;  
O bring them back,  
good Shepherd of the sheep,  
back to the faith  
which saints believed of old,  
back to the Church  
which still that faith doth keep;  
soon may we all one Bread, one Body be,  
through this blest Sacrament of unity.*

*So, Lord, at length,  
when sacraments shall cease,  
may we be one with all thy Church above,  
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace,  
one with thy saints in one unbounded love;  
more blessed still, in peace and love to be  
one with the Trinity in Unity*

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, in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread**

**and forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Do not let us enter into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil,**

**for the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
are yours now and for 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.**

**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 the choir sings a setting of *O taste and see*. When all have received Holy Communion what remains of the consecrated bread is placed in the tabernacle as we hear:

***Songs of thankfulness and praise,***

***Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,***

***Manifested by the star***

***To the sages from afar;***

***Branch of royal David's stem***

***In thy birth at Bethlehem;***

***Anthems be to thee addressed***

***God, among us - manifest.***

***Recognised at Jordan's stream,***

***Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;***

***Guest at Cana, power divine,***

***Changing water into wine;***

***Christ in human form made known***

***To thy waiting people shown:***

***Anthems be to Thee addressed***

***God made human, manifest.***

***Sun and moon shall darkened be,***

***Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;***

***Christ will then like lightning shine,***

***All will see his glorious sign;***

***All will then the trumpet hear,***

***All will see the Judge appear;***

***Thou by all shall be confessed***

***Saviour, God made manifest.***

***Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,***

***Mirrored in thy holy word;***

***May we imitate thee now,***

***And be pure, as pure art thou;***

***That we like to thee may be***

***At thy great Epiphany,***

***And may praise thee, ever blest,***

***God made human, manifest.***

After a time of silence, please stand with the President:

*Let us pray.*

After a moment of silent prayer:

*Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour  
Jesus Christ is the light of the world:*

**may we, your people,**

**illumined by your word and sacraments,**

**shine with the radiance of his glory,**

**that he may be known, worshipped,**

**and obeyed to the ends of the earth;**

**for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.**

**Amen**

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

*Christ, the Son of God, perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; 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.**

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MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup>

**1200 Eucharist**

THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup>

**1930 Eucharist**

NEXT SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> CANDLEMAS

**1000 Sung Eucharist**

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