

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 or sung by all. Hymns are not announced. For visitors, Gift Aid envelopes are available for the collection.

Please be as still and quiet before the service as we prepare together to celebrate the Eucharist.

When the bell rings, please stand to join in:

ENTRANCE HYMN 467

The president today is the Revd Canon Alma Servant. 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 reflect together on the times when we have not reflected the love of God as revealed in Jesus to each other or the world, and seek God's forgiveness:

A time of silent prayer follows, then:

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of peace: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

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 Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19.1-6

The heavens are telling the glory of God



The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; //the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart; //the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes.

By them also is your servant taught and in keeping them there is great reward. Who can tell how often they offend? O cleanse me from my secret faults!

Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins // lest they get dominion over me; so shall I be undefiled, and innocent of great offence.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. *At the end:* This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to join in:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

او همچون نوری بر قومها خواهد تابید و ذنشان را منور
"خواهد ساخت و مایه سربلندی قوم تو، بنی اسرائیل، خواهد شد"

Our eyes have seen your salvation,
a light to lighten the nations
and the glory of your people Israel.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING Luke 4.14-21

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 today is the Revd Richard Young, After the sermon there will be a time of silence. Then all please stand with the president as the baptism candidates come forward to be presented. They are asked a question:

Do you wish to be baptised?

They reply: **I DO**



The president addresses the whole congregation:

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome these candidates and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

Dear friends in Christ, the Church receives these people with joy. Today we are trusting God for their growth in faith.

Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith and walk with them in the way of Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

The candidates are asked further questions:

Do you turn away from sin? **I DO.**

Do you reject evil? **I DO.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour? **I DO.**

Do you trust in him as Lord? **I DO.**



The sign of the cross is made on each person's forehead, in holy oil:

Christ claims you for his own.

Receive the sign of his cross.



After all have been anointed:

Do not be ashamed of Christ.

You are his for ever.

Stand bravely with him against all the powers of evil and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

The candidates and president process to the font. Water is poured into the font and blessed:

We praise you, loving Father, for the gift of your Son Jesus. He was baptised in the River Jordan, where your Spirit came upon him and revealed him as the son you love.

He sent his followers to baptise all who turn to him.

And so, Father, we ask you to bless this water, that those who are baptised in it may be cleansed in the water of life, filled with your Spirit and know they are loved as your children, safe in Christ for ever. **Amen.**

The candidates lead the profession of faith with the president:

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.



Water is poured on each person:

..... I baptise you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

When all the candidates have been baptised:
May God, who has received you by baptism
into his Church, pour upon you the riches of
his grace, that within the company of Christ's
pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by
his anointing Spirit, and come to the
inheritance of the saints in glory. **Amen.**

*The newly baptised are each given a candle, lit
from the Paschal Candle. Then the president leads
the welcome:*

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: by
one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.
**We welcome you into the fellowship of
faith; we are children of the same heavenly
Father; we welcome you.**

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.
And also with you.

All exchange a sign of peace, then please join in:

HYMN 415

*The offerings of the people are collected and the
bread and wine are brought to the altar. A prayer
is said 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, 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 وقوت 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.**

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 God has chosen me. When all have received Holy Communion there is a time of stillness and quiet, then all please stand with the President.

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer:

Generous Lord, in word and Eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love:

**help us so to live out our days
that we may be signs
of your wonders in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

HYMN 235

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.

MONDAY 28th

1930 Eucharist

THURSDAY 30th

1930 Eucharist

SATURDAY 1st

1000 Foodbank

NEXT SUNDAY 2nd February: Candlemas
The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

1000 Sung Festival Eucharist

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God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to bring good news to the poor.

God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to bring new sight to those searching for light:

God has chosen me, chosen me:

*And to tell the world that God's kingdom is near,
to remove oppression and break down fear,
yes, God's time is near, God's time is near,
God's time is near, God's time is near.*

God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to set alight a new fire.

God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to bring to birth a new kingdom on earth:

God has chosen me, chosen me:

God is calling me, God is calling me
in all whose cry is unheard.

God is calling me, God is calling me
to raise up the voice with no power or choice:

God is calling me, calling me: