

HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD

150 YEARS

*St James' School Leavers' Eucharist
Wednesday 13th July 2022*

Welcome to the leavers' Eucharist for St James' School.
Today we say goodbye to Year 6
who have come to the end of their time in the school
and leave us to move on to secondary school.

Please join in all the parts of the service that are in **bold print**.

When you arrive in church please sit still and quietly as we wait for the service to begin.

When the bell rings please stand up to sing:

**'I danced in the morning when the world was begun
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun
I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth
At Bethlehem I had my birth.'**

*'Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the lord of the dance,' said he
'I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance,' said he.*

**'They cut me down but I leapt up high –
I am the life that will never, never die
I'll live in you if you'll live in me -
I am the Lord of the dance,' said he.**

+ 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.

We are asked to keep a short silence to remember before God the times when we have done wrong things and the times when we have failed to do good.

You guide us along the right paths

Be with us when we fall

You are with us on every step of our journey

Guide us on our way

You are our source of hope and strength

Forgive us and turn us towards you.

May God forgive us for the wrong we have done,

bring us pardon and peace and keep us in his love and care for ever.

Amen.

The Gloria

This is said as a dialogue across the church – the people on the LEFT (facing the altar) begin with the words on LEFT, the people on the RIGHT say the words on the RIGHT and we ALL say the words in the middle!

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 priest says a prayer for today

Let us pray

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things:

nourish us with all goodness,

and of your great mercy keep us and help us;

we ask this through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

We sit down to listen to the reading:

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Church in Rome: (read by a member of Y6)

Love each other as brothers and sisters and honour others more than you do yourself. Never give up. Follow the Holy Spirit and serve the Lord.

Let your hope make you glad.

Be patient in time of trouble and never stop praying.

When others are happy, be happy with them,
and when they are sad, be sad. Be friendly with everyone.

Don't be proud and feel that you are cleverer than others.

Make friends with ordinary people.

Don't let evil defeat you, but defeat evil with good.

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand up. The Gospel Procession moves to the centre of the church.

The priest says: *Alleluia, alleluia*

And we reply: **Alleluia, alleluia !**

This is a reading from St Luke 's Gospel

Read by a member of Y6

Then Jesus told this parable:

'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard;
and he came looking for fruit on it and found none.

So he said to the gardener,

"See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree,
and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?"

The gardener replied,

"Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it.
If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Please sit down.

Today we are thinking about the world in the past –
particularly 1872, and the future –
the time of change for our Year 6 pupils,
and the challenges faced by the world.

Each year group has done a bit of research!



The Prayers – led by members of Year 6

*For the church across the world, for all who preach and teach,
that they may help us to grow in faith - we pray to the Lord.*

Lord, hear our prayer.

*For the leaders of our city, the nation, and the world, that they may show
wisdom, and always work for peace - we pray to the Lord:*

Lord, hear our prayer.

*For our parents, teachers, and everyone else that has led and guided us on
our journey to this day - we pray to the Lord:*

Lord, hear our prayer.

*That each of us may do the best in school, at home, and in everything we
do, using the gifts God has given us - we pray to the Lord.*

Lord, hear our prayer.

*For our family and friends who are close to our hearts,
that God may bless them and keep them always - we pray to the Lord.*

Lord, hear our prayer.

*For the hungry, the homeless, the ill and the suffering,
that they may find comfort, hope and strength - we pray to the Lord.*

Lord, hear our prayer.

*For all who have died, particularly from our families and close communities
who we miss and remember with love,
that they may find rest and peace, we pray to the Lord:*

Lord, hear our prayer.

After a moment of silence, the priest says:

*Most merciful God, hear our prayers, which we offer in faith and trust, for
the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.*

Amen.

Please STAND UP

The Peace and The Offertory

*When the risen Christ appeared to his disciples he said "Peace be with you."
And so I say to you - may the peace of the Lord be always with you.*

And also with you.

We exchange greetings and say 'peace be with you' to the people close to us. While the altar is prepared and the gifts of bread and wine put out, please join in (loudly!) :

**One more step along the world I go, one more step along the world I go.
From the old things to the new, keep me travelling along with you.**

***And it's from the old I travel to the new,
keep me travelling along with you.***

**Round the corners of the world I turn,
More and more about the world I learn.**

All the new things that I see, you'll be looking at along with me....

**As I travel through the bad and good
keep me travelling the way I should.**

Where I see no way to go you'll be telling me the way, I know...

**Give me courage when the world is rough,
Keep me loving though the world is tough.**

Leap and sing in all I do, keep me travelling along with you. *Chorus....*

**You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me.**

Ever old and ever new, keep me travelling along with you. *Chorus...*

The Eucharistic Prayer and Holy Communion

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.

It is always right, wherever we are, to give you thanks and praise;

God our Father, holy and strong, king for ever.

You made us, and the whole universe,

Your holy Spirit came to Mary, and Jesus was born as one of us.

He suffered on the cross and died, to save us from our sins.

He broke the chains of death and ascended to live in glory with you.

You send your spirit to bring new life to the world

and fill us with new power from you.

And so we join on earth with all the saints and angels in heaven to say:

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.



Father, on the night before he died, Jesus had a meal with his friends.

He took bread and broke it, and gave it to them saying:

“Take this and eat it – this is my body, given for you.”

After the meal was ended he took the cup of wine.

He thanked you, gave it to them and said:

“Drink this all of you. This is my blood, the new covenant of God’s love. Do this to remember me.”

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Father, as we remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that the bread and wine we bring before you may be Christ’s body and his blood.

Pour your spirit on us that we may live as children of your heavenly kingdom.

Help us to love one another as we work for the peace of the earth and wait for Jesus to come in glory.

For all honour and glory belong to you, Father, with Jesus Christ your Son, with the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

Remember us Lord in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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.

The president breaks the consecrated bread in pieces and we all say:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

The president addresses those who wish to come to Holy Communion:

This is the food and drink for the journey;

The bread of life and the cup of salvation.

If you regularly receive communion in your church you are invited to receive communion here today. If you wish, you are also welcome to come out to receive a blessing. Remember that when you receive communion, you hold out your hands in the form of a cross and say AMEN when the blessed bread is given to you.

When everyone has received communion or a blessing, there will be a time of silence.

Then, please STAND UP

Let us pray:

***We thank you, Lord, that you have invited us to your table,
fed us and blessed us, united us with Jesus Christ:***

Guide us in the way of love and kindness,

To carry love, faith, hope and peace into your world.

Amen.

PLEASE SIT DOWN

The Tribute

Mr Shortall leads a short tribute to Year 6.

Then we stand up to sing:

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,
and the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you.**

**There'll be shouts of joy, and the trees of the field
shall clap, shall clap their hands.**

**And the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
and you'll go out with joy.**

Please stay standing for the blessing and dismissal:

Go out into the world in peace

To live, to work, to play, to grow

Be brave and thoughtful, kind and caring

At home or on holiday, with everyone we meet.

And may the blessing of God almighty,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, rest upon you, now and for ever.

Amen.

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

I hope all the pupils have a wonderful summer holiday,
and that the Year 6 pupils make a great start
at secondary school....
and my son buys some brightly coloured paint...



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from across the whole community
and to support and uphold people of every faith and none;
to be a place of peace and prayer,
learning and discussion, thought and action.