

HOLY INNOCENTS  
FALLOWFIELD



Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> 2021  
St James the Apostle

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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 as is a box at the back for offerings. 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 join in:

**Come, let us join our cheerful songs  
with angels round the throne;  
ten thousand thousand are their tongues,  
but all their joys are one.**

'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry, '  
to be exalted thus';  
'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply,  
'for he was slain for us.'

Jesus is worthy to receive  
honour and power divine;  
and blessings, more than we can give,  
be, Lord, for ever thine.

Let all creation join in one  
to bless the sacred name  
of him that sits upon the throne,  
and to adore the Lamb.

The president today is the Revd Jane Walker. 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.**

*Dear friends in Christ, as we meet to  
celebrate these most holy mysteries and the  
witness of the saints in light, let us call to  
mind our sins and your abundant mercy.*

A time of silent prayer follows, then:

*May your loving mercy come to me, O Lord,  
and your salvation according to your word:  
Lord, have mercy.*

**Lord, have mercy.**

*Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light  
to my path: Christ, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*O let your mercy come to me that I may live,  
for your law is my delight: Lord, have mercy.*

**Lord, have mercy.**

*May the God of all healing and forgiveness  
draw us to himself,*

*and cleanse us from all our sins*

*that we may behold the glory of his Son,  
the Word made flesh, 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** Jeremiah 45.1-5

At the end:

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 126** is sung by the choir

*May those who sow in tears  
Reap with shouts of joy, of joy,  
When God restored the fortunes of Zion,  
We were like those who dream;*

*Then our mouths were filled with laughter,  
with laughter and tongues with shouts of joy  
Then it was said among the nations that God  
had done great things for us;  
For us and we rejoiced*

*Those who go out weeping  
bearing the seed for sowing  
Shall come home with shouts of joy  
Bringing in their sheaves;  
bringing in their sheaves.*

**SECOND READING** Acts 11.12- 12.2

At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul. About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the people, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.)

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia  
Lead us, O Lord, in the way of truth  
That we may hear your holy word  
And rejoice in faith and love  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia*

**GOSPEL READING** Matthew 20.20-28

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew.*

**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 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 gesture of peace and then join in:

**All my hope on God is founded;  
all my trust he will renew;  
safe through change and chance he guides me,  
only good and only true: God unknown,  
he alone calls my heart to be his own.**

**Human pride and earthly glory,  
sword and crown betray God's trust;  
though with care and toil we build them,  
tower and temple fall to dust.  
But God's power, hour by hour,  
is my temple and my tower.**

**God's great goodness lasts for ever,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought;  
splendour, light and life attend him,  
beauty springing out of naught.  
Evermore from his store  
new-born worlds rise and adore.**

**Day by day the mighty Giver  
showers gifts on us below;  
his desire our souls delight in,  
pleasure leads us where we go.  
See love stand at his hand,  
joy awaits at his command!**

**Still from earth to God in heaven  
sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising  
for the gift of Christ his Son.  
Hear Christ call one and all:  
those who follow shall not fall.**

*Joachim Neander, translated by John Bell*

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.**

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:

*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 to receive Holy Communion or a blessing approach the altar. During communion we hear *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*. When all have received Holy Communion what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle. After a time of silence, we stand with the President.

*Let us pray.*

After a moment of silent prayer.

*Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles'  
teaching and fellowship,*

**united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please join in:

**Lord, who shall sit beside thee,  
Enthroned on either hand,  
When clouds no longer hide thee,  
'Mid all thy faithful band?**

**Who drinks the cup of sorrow  
Thy Father gave to thee  
'Neath shadows of the morrow  
In dark Gethsemane;**

**Who on thy Passion thinking  
Can find in loss a gain,  
and dare to meet unshrinking,  
thy baptism of pain.**

**O Jesu, form within us  
Thy likeness clear and true;  
By thine example win us  
To suffer and to do.**

**This law itself fulfilleth,--  
Christlike to Christ is nigh,  
And, where the Father willeth,  
Shall sit with Christ on high.**

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

*Go forth into the world in peace; be of good  
courage; hold fast that which is good;  
render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the  
fainthearted; support the weak; help the  
afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve  
the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy  
Spirit;*

*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 26<sup>th</sup>

**1930 Eucharist**

THURSDAY 29<sup>th</sup>

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NEXT SUNDAY August 1<sup>st</sup>

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Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
for with blessing in His hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
in the body and the blood;  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
As the Light of light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day,  
That the pow'rs of hell may vanish  
as the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six-winged seraph,  
cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence,  
as with ceaseless voice they cry:  
"Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord Most High!"