

HOLY INNOCENTS
FALLOWFIELD

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St Michael and All Angels

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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. 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:

HYMN 190

*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.

We have come to Mount Zion, the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to myriads of angels, to God, the judge of all, and to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

After a moment of silent prayer:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.

Lord, have mercy:

Lord, have mercy.

Woe is me, for I am lost; I am a person of unclean lips. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Our guilt is taken away, and our sin is forgiven. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May God forgive us our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in 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 28:10-17

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103.9-end

**The Lord, the sovereign King,
has fixed his throne on high;
o'er all the heav'nly world he rules,
and all beneath the sky.
O angels, great in might,
and swift to do his will,
extol the Lord, whose voice you hear,
whose pleasure you fulfil.**

**Let the bright hosts who wait
the orders of their King -
and guard his churches when they pray -
join in the praise they sing.
While all his wondrous works
through his vast kingdom show
their Maker's glory, thou, my soul,
Shalt sing his graces too.**

SECOND READING Revelation 12.7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against a dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, ‘Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them!

But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath because he knows that his time is short!’

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...

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,
you ministers of his who do his will.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING John 1.47-end

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. The preacher today is the Revd Canon Michael Ainsworth. After the sermon there will be a time of silence.

Then the baptism candidates come forward and are introduced. The president addresses them:

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 president addresses the candidates:

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you turn to Christ?

I TURN TO CHRIST.

Do you repent of your sins?

I REPENT OF MY SINS.

Do you renounce evil?

I RENOUNCE EVIL.

The president makes the sign of the cross on each person's forehead, saying

Christ claims you for his own.

Receive the sign of his cross.

Then the president says:

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

Fight valiantly as disciples of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**



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.**

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.

The priest pours water on each candidate:

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

When the last person has been baptised:

May God, who has received you by baptism
into his Church, pour upon you the riches of
his grace. **Amen.**

*Each newly baptised person is given a candle,
lit from the Paschal candle. Then:*

This is to show that you have passed from
darkness to light.

**Shine as a light in the world to the glory of
God the Father.**

We welcome you into the household of faith;
**we are children of the same heavenly
Father; we welcome you.**

The president introduces THE PEACE:

Hear again the song of the angels: 'Glory to
God in the highest, and on earth peace.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

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

HYMN 271

*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 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 draw near to the altar.

Those who are baptized, as well as communicant members of other Christian churches, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Others are asked to fold their arms for a blessing. When all have received holy communion what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle and there will be a time of stillness. Then all please STAND with the President.

Let us pray. *After a moment of silent prayer.*

Lord of heaven, in this Eucharist you have brought us near to the angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:

**as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share
their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

HYMN 235

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

Father in heaven, the angels sing by day and night around your throne:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty.'

With Michael, prince of the angels,

who contends by our side,

with Gabriel, your herald,

who brings glad tidings,

with Raphael, the protector,

who ministers your healing,

and with the whole company of heaven,

we worship you, we give you glory,

we sing your praise and exalt you for ever.

Amen.

God keep you in the fellowship of his saints; Christ protect you by the ministry of the angels;

the Spirit make you holy in God's service;

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 30th

1930 Eucharist

FRIDAY 4th

1930 Confirmation Service

SATURDAY 5th

1000 Foodbank

1000 Autumn Education Series (1)

Manchester as Cotton Capital

NEXT SUNDAY 6th

1000 Sung Eucharist

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