

# Parish Eucharist

## *The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity*

### 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020



### **Welcome on behalf of the community of St. John's Church**

St. John's seeks to be an inclusive church community where all are welcomed and valued, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.

Today, we re-gather for physical worship for those who are able and would like to. Be assured however, whether we are in church or remaining at home for now, as the Body of Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit we are united in fellowship with one another and with the whole company of heaven.

As such, whether you are in church, reading this on your own or following along on the live-stream we are delighted to welcome you. To ensure we do all we can to keep everyone safe and healthy, we would ask you to read the below notes.

*The President is the Revd. David Jones, Associate Priest*  
*The Preacher is Susi Artis, Licensed Lay Minister*

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- In line with government guidelines, face masks will now be mandatory for those attending worship in St. John's.
- Please keep 2 metres apart at all times.
- Please do not to leave your seat unless there is an emergency.
- If there is an emergency leave via the nearer exit at front or back of church and gather in the churchyard. Please do not leave the churchyard without checking with a steward as we need to ensure the building is empty.

- There is no singing but please say the responses as normal. There will be a single singer during distribution (as per the guidance) – please don't join in with them!
- A toilet is available. We would ask you to please use it before or after the service, rather than during.
- The President will bring communion to your seat. If you wish to receive, please stand up or remain seated if you would like to receive a blessing. Please don't feel under any pressure to receive the sacrament.
- If you suffer a bout of coughing or sneezing, to ensure healthy and safety we would ask you to please leave the building, keeping your distance from others and covering your face.
- If you need assistance for any reason raise your hand and a Steward will come to you.
- At the end of the service a Steward will tell you when it is safe for you to leave.
- Remember to take everything with you – including your pew sheet. Please take it home rather than leave it in the building.
- Please sanitise your hands as you leave.
- Please don't block the doorways as you leave - if you'd like to chat with people please move out into the churchyard – the president will be there chat (socially distanced of course!)

We recognise much of the above is new and may be difficult and there are lots of 'please do not's'. Everything above is to do all we can to prevent the virus entering and minimise its spreading in the building: everyone's health and safety is our number one priority. Please know as well that this is for a season. Together we will get through it, and most importantly: God is with us.

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#### THE GREETING and INTRODUCTION

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**and also with you.**

#### PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.  
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*All* **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**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 sins 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**

Let us pray.

Almighty God,  
who called your Church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*All*    **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: Romans 12. 9-21

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup>The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' <sup>10</sup>Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

<sup>11</sup> Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; <sup>12</sup>the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; <sup>13</sup>let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

This is the Word of the Lord,

*All*    **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand for the Gospel.*

THE GOSPEL:    Matthew 18.15-20

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

*All*    **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup> 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. <sup>16</sup>But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup>If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. <sup>18</sup>Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup>Again, truly I tell you, if two

of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup>For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,  
*All* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

THE CREED

*All* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray for the world and the Church, and thank God for his goodness.

Lord, in your mercy  
*All* **Hear our prayer**

*After the names of the departed have been read out:*

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord  
*All* **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Merciful Father,  
*All* **accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*We stand for the Peace.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

### 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,

*All* **and also with you.**

### PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

*All* **All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.**

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (G)

The Lord be with you

*All* **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, Lord God,  
our light and our salvation;  
to you be glory and praise for ever.  
From the beginning you have created all things  
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.  
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,  
the crown of all creation.  
You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels  
and all the powers of heaven  
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

*All* **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.**

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.  
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,  
you embraced a people as your own.  
When they turned away and rebelled  
your love remained steadfast.  
From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,  
to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.  
He offered his life for sinners,  
and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.  
On the night before he died,  
he came to supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.  
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

*All* **Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Father, we plead with confidence  
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;  
we remember his dying and rising in glory,  
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.  
Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you  
these gifts of your creation;  
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.  
As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,  
form us in the likeness of Christ,  
and build us into a living temple to your glory.  
Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.  
Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.  
Bring us at the last with St. John the Evangelist and all the saints  
to the vision of that eternal splendour  
for which you have created us;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
by whom, with whom, and in whom,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

*All* **Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

*All* **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.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*All* **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

*All* **Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*The liturgy for spiritual communion:*

In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of your Church,  
where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated,  
I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving.  
I present to you my soul and body with the wish  
that they may always be united to you.  
And since I can not now receive you in this sacrament,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul.  
Let nothing ever separate you from me.  
May I live and die in your love. Amen.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator,  
you feed your children with the true manna,  
the living bread from heaven:  
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage  
until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

Almighty God,  
*All* **we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

## NOTICES

Almighty God,  
*All* **We give you thanks and praise for our life together.  
Fill us all Good Lord, with your Spirit of Love  
and as you have fed us with the bread of heaven,  
so make us one in hearts and mind, in Jesus Christ our lord.  
Amen.**

*We stand.*

## CONCLUSION

The peace of God which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God  
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

*All* **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Do join us for coffee on Zoom at 11.30.*

## NOTICES

### **James' Parish Days**

This week will be Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday.

### **Facemasks**

In line with government guidelines, face masks are now mandatory for worship.

### **Wednesday Eucharist and Zoom Coffee**

In line with government advice about the length of time a building needs to remain closed, as of 2nd September, the Wednesday Holy Communion will move back to its original time of 10am. For now, this will remain live-streamed, though we are

looking at when and how we can resume in person worship. Consequently, coffee will now move to 11am.

### **Twiddlemuffs**

having contacted the local care homes in our parish Winterfell Care Home have requested any twiddlemuffs our crafty parishioners can make. These will support their residents who have dementia - dementia patients often have restless hands and the twiddlemuffs provide an outlet for this. If anyone is a knitter or crocheter and can spare some time to make these (they are a great yarn stash buster!) Please email or call/text Rebecca Nokes: rjnokes@btinternet.com 07889470854 and if you aren't but have spare yarn, ribbons, buttons or beads and would like to donate them it would be very welcome. I am able to collect completed makes or donations of materials if you are not attending the services in person at the moment.

### **Stewards still needed!**

We will need a minimum of 4 Stewards for each service. This will enable us to ensure people enter and exit the building safely and know what to do during the service. Training will be provided. Please do not volunteer if you fall into the Government's vulnerable category. Please contact Cynthia Hoggett: cynthiahoggett@hotmail.co.uk 07702 976614.

### **Date for the Diary:**

The APCM (the church's AGM) will be happening on 25th October (format to be decided). At this meeting the Wardens and PCC (the church council) will be elected for another year. The PCC is a group of people who, with the Vicar, oversee the life of the church to ensure we are focused on what Jesus wants us to do. We aim to seek God's will, work well together, reflect our values, and take action for the future. Do prayerfully consider if this is something you would be interested in, and have a word with James. There are also various other roles/jobs coming up for election: further details to follow over the next few weeks. And on that:

### **Electoral Roll**

The church Electoral Roll is the register of its voting members; it is a list of those qualified to attend and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Most significantly, it is a way of saying 'I belong to St. John's' and is an act of commitment to the life of this community. Baptised adults (over 16 years) who live in the parish, or who have worshipped regularly at St. John's for at least six months are able to be on the ER. If you're not currently on the roll and would like to be, do please get a form after worship or have a word with James or Mandy the ER officer.

### **Annual Reports**

Advance notice to those of you who produce Reports for the APCM. Please email them to the Parish Assistant by the 11<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Bible Study**

Meets this Wednesday via Zoom. We will be finishing Romans Chapter 1. If you haven't yet collected one of the Study Guides, do feel free to grab one from the Vicarage porch.

## **Giving**

As we continue in lockdown, the PCC and treasurer are keeping a close eye on our income and expenditure so that we can continue to engage in our missional priorities. If you feel able to continue your giving or would like to set up a Standing Order, do please contact Peter Artis the treasurer or follow the link here: <https://www.stjohnscarrington.org.uk/financial-giving>

## **Services and events this week**

<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>6pm</b>	Evening Prayer via Zoom
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>10am</b>	Live-streamed Morning Prayer
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>10am</b> <b>11am</b> <b>6pm</b> <b>7pm</b>	Live-streamed Eucharist Zoom coffee Evening Prayer via Zoom Bible Study
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>10am</b>	Live-streamed Morning Prayer
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>7pm</b>	Evening Prayer via Zoom
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August</b> <b>10am</b> <b>11.30am</b> <b>7-8pm</b>	Live-streamed Eucharist Zoom coffee 'Vestry Hour'

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