

St. John's Carrington Parish Eucharist



Marriage at Cana by Giotto di Bondone

The Third Sunday of Epiphany
January 24th 2021

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.

This is a very unusual time for the Church where, once again, we can't physically be with one another and though the Eucharist will be offered for us all from inside the church.

As ever, wherever we are, 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. We are delighted to welcome you.

HYMN

1. The God of Abraham praise
who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting Days,
and God of love:
To him uplift the voice,
At whose supreme command
From earth we rise and seek the joys
At his right hand.

2. There dwells the Lord our King,
the Lord our Righteousness,
triumphant o'er the world of sin,
the Prince of Peace:
on Sion's sacred height
his kingdom he maintains,
and glorious with his saints in light
for ever reigns.

3. The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing,
and 'Holy, Holy, Holy.' cry,
'almighty King,
who was, and is the same,
and evermore shall be:
eternal Father, great I AM,
we worship thee.'

4. The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high;
'hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost',
they ever cry:
hail, Abraham's God, and mine,
(I join the heavenly lays)
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.

THE GATHERING AND WELCOME

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

A// **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

A// **and also with you.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

My brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ
in word and sacrament,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

God our Father,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.

For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:

A// **Save us and help us.**

For behaving just as we wish,
without thinking of you;
Father, forgive us:

A// **Save us and help us.**

For failing you by what we do,
and think and say;
Father, forgive us:

A// **Save us and help us.**

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you
by temptations in the world about us;
Father, forgive us:

A// **Save us and help us.**

For living as if we were ashamed
to belong to your Son;
Father, forgive us:

A// **Save us and help us.**

ABSOLUTION

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

A// **Amen.**

THE GLORIA

**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

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence;
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power
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.

A// **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: Revelation 19. 6-10

⁶Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out,

'Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God
the Almighty reigns.

⁷ Let us rejoice and exult
and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has come,
and his bride has made herself ready;
⁸ to her it has been granted to be clothed
with fine linen, bright and pure'—
for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

⁹ And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' ¹⁰Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

This is the word of the Lord
A// **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL: John 2.1-11

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

A// **Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim.

⁸He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

THE SERMON

THE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

The following response is used:

A// Maranatha,
Come, Lord Jesus.

After the names of the departed have been read out:

A// Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

A// Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son, our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end.
The peace of the Lord be always with you,
A// **and also with you.**

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.
A// **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (G)

The Lord is here.
A// **His Spirit is with us.**

A// Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

A// Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
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:

A// **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:

A// **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:

A// **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:
A// **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

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
A// **we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.
A// **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

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world;
may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

NOTICES

Almighty God,
**A// 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.**

THE DISMISSAL

THE BLESSING

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.

A// Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
A// In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN

1 Christ is the King! O friends rejoice;
brothers and sisters, with one voice
tell all the world he is your choice.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 2 O magnify the Lord, and raise
anthems of joy and holy praise
for Christ's brave saints of ancient days.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 O Christian women, Christian men,
all the world over, seek again
the way disciples followed then.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Let love's unconquerable might
your scattered companies unite
in service to the Lord of light.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 5 So shall God's will on earth be done,
new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,
and the whole Church at last be one.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Coffee will take place on Zoom at 11.30am.

NOTICES

James' Parish Days

This week will be Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday.

Bible Study

Happening this week, looking at Romans chapter 9, though you are encouraged to read chapters 9-11.

Services and events this week

This evening 7pm	Vestry Hour
Monday 25th January 6pm	Evening Prayer via Zoom
Tuesday 26th January 10am	Live-streamed Morning Prayer
Wednesday 27th January 10am 11am 11-12pm 6pm	Live-streamed midweek Eucharist Zoom coffee Food bank Evening Prayer via Zoom

7pm	Bible Study (Romans Chapter 9 but do read 9-11)
Thursday 28th January 10am	Live-streamed Morning Prayer
Friday 29th January 6pm	Evening Prayer via Zoom
Sunday 31st January 10.00	Parish Eucharist (also live streamed) Zoom coffee
11.30am	

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