

President's



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The Eucharist
on Mothering Sunday

The Gathering

Hymn

We stand to sing a hymn.

The Greeting

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

All **Amen.**

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace
be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The president introduces the celebration.

Prayers of Penitence

Let us call to mind our failure to value the love of others
and our failure to love as Christ has loved us.

Silence is kept.

Your love gives us life from the moment of conception.
We fail to live as your children.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

You call us to do good.
We seek our own good.
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

You hear us when we cry for help.
We ignore the cries of others.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The president pronounces absolution

May the Father of all mercies
cleanse you from your sins,
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Collect

The president says 'Let us pray' and silence is kept.

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

A song of St Anselm

Please stand to sing and then face the Gospel procession as it moves into the nave.

Refrain **Lord Jesus, in your mercy heal us:
In your love and tenderness remake us.**

Choir *Jesus, as a mother you gather your people to you;
you are gentle with us as a mother with her children. Refrain.*

*Often you weep over our sins and our pride,
tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgement. Refrain.*

*You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds,
in sickness you nurse us, and with pure milk you feed us. Refrain.*

*Jesus, by your dying we are born to new life;
by your anguish and labour we come forth in joy. Refrain.*

*Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness;
through your gentleness we find comfort in fear. Refrain.*

*Your warmth gives life to the dead, your touch makes sinners righteous:
Lord Jesus, with love and tenderness remake us. Refrain.*

*In your compassion bring grace and forgiveness,
for the beauty of heaven may your love prepare us. Refrain.*

The Gospel Acclamation

This acclamation heralds the Gospel reading. Please repeat the refrain after the choir. The cantor sings a verse and then all repeat the refrain again.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Jesus, like a mother you gather your people to you.
You are gentle with us as a mother with her children.
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*
All **Glorify you, O Lord.**

At the end

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

The Sermon

Please sit. A sermon is preached.

The Affirmation of Faith

Please stand.

Let us declare our faith in God.

All **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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit for these prayers.

All For our mums and dads, grandparents and godparents,
Lord, receive our thanks and praise.

All For the support of homes and families,
Lord, receive our thanks and praise.

All For the joy of all loving human relationships,
Lord, receive our thanks and praise.

For your holy catholic Church, the mother of us all,
All **Lord, receive our thanks and praise.**

For this cathedral community, mother church of our diocese,
All **Lord, receive our thanks and praise.**

For all the members of our families who have died and now find their
home in you,
All **Lord, receive our thanks and praise.**

For Mary, the Mother of Jesus,
and for all who seek to follow her example of motherhood,
All **Lord, receive our thanks and praise.**

A member of the Mothers' Union leads us in this prayer,

Loving Lord,
we thank you for your love so freely given to us all.
We pray for families around the world.
Bless the work of the Mothers' Union
as we seek to share your love
through the encouragement,
strengthening and support of marriage and family life.
Empowered by your Spirit, may we be united in prayer and worship,
and in love and service reach out as your hands across the world.
In Jesus' name.

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

*Before the Peace, flowers will be presented as a gift from the Mothers' Union.
After the distribution, please stand. The president says*

Through the prophet Isaiah, God says
'As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

And all may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

Preparation of the Table

Taking of the Bread and Wine

*An Offertory Hymn is sung. The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.
The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. The president
takes the bread and wine.*

The Eucharistic Prayer

The president says or sings

The Lord be with you or The Lord is here.
All **And also with you. His Spirit is with us.**

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, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, 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.
Bring us at the last with Mary the Mother of our Lord 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

Silence is kept. Please kneel or sit.

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,
now and forever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup.

All **We proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

Agnus Dei

We sing

All **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. Grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The president and people receive Communion. We welcome communicant members of all Christian denominations to receive Communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please carry this booklet with you to the altar. During Communion hymns or anthems may be sung.

Prayer after Communion

The president may say this post-communion prayer.

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament
with the food and drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All say this prayer

All **God of our pilgrimage,
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.
Refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Notices

Any notices may be given.

The Dismissal

The Blessing

Please stand.

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

Please face the procession as it moves to the west end.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

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