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Third Sunday of Lent



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Services in the Parish next week - 30th March

10.00am Joint Parish Family Service for Mothering Sunday

Hymn

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive;
built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space,
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

All are welcome, all are welcome

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome, all are welcome

**Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:**

*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

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

All Amen.

The Greeting

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

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect

Reading - Proverbs 25. 6-7

At the end of the reading please respond

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

**Ubi caritas et amor,
Ubi caritas, deus ibiest**

Gospel Reading

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

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

Sermon

The Creed

**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.**

Prayers of Intercession

To the words ‘Lord in your mercy’ would you please respond ‘**Hear our prayer**’. *At end of the prayers we say together*

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

Prayers of Penitence

Despite all the ways we speak of sin -
failures, mistakes, intended acts,
Scripture tells us that we are stubborn-hearted,
wanting only our way.
But if we pause to listen to God,
if we open our mouths and our hearts to confess our sin,
God will fill our emptiness with forgiveness and hope.

Let us pray together, as we say,

**All We are always uncomfortable, Watching God,
when you notice how we want to sit in the seats of honour.
We can be so proper, so good, so well-off,
that it is easy to imagine we are superior to the poor.
We are so busy completing our 'To Do' list each day,
that we forget to do good when we have the chance.
Forgive us, Welcoming God.
Fill our emptiness with your grace and humility
that we would spend our lives alongside Jesus,
our Lord and Saviour,
throwing a party for the poor, the damaged,
the prisoner, the lost, the oppressed.**

Silence is kept

This is the good news, know that your sins are forgiven.
After what God has done for us,
what can anyone or anything do to us?
We are new people, graced by our loving God,

**All Forgiven, embraced, welcomed by our God,
we will offer open hearts and serving hands
to everyone we meet. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

The children join us from their worship, notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our
Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

Hymn (*during which a collection will be taken for the work of this Parish. At the end of the service the contactless giving machine will be available at the back of church should you prefer to make a donation in this way.*)

**Beauty for brokenness,
hope for despair,
Lord, in your suffering world
this is our prayer.
Bread for the children,
justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset,
your kingdom increase!**

**Shelter for fragile lives,
cures for their ills,
work for the craftsmen,
trade for their skills;
land for the dispossessed,
rights for the weak,
voices to plead the cause
of those who can't speak.**

*God of the poor,
friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray:
melt our cold hearts,
let tears fall like rain;
come, change our love
from a spark to a flame.*

**Refuge from cruel wars,
havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary,
freedoms to share.
Peace to the killing-fields,
scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness,
his cross for the pain.**

**Rest for the ravaged earth,
oceans and streams
plundered and poisoned –
our future, our dreams.
Lord, end our madness,
carelessness, greed;
make us content with
the things that we need.**

God of the poor . . .

**Lighten our darkness,
breathe on this flame
until your justice
burns brightly again;
until the nations
learn of your ways,
seek your salvation
and bring you their praise.**

*God of the poor,
friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray:
melt our cold hearts,
let tears fall like rain;
come, change our love
from a spark to a flame.*

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience, sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All 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.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

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.

The president recalls the Last Supper

Great is the mystery of faith

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated 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.**

Agnus Dei

**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.**

Giving of 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.**

Priest and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive bread and wine whether you have been confirmed or not. This part of the service is when we come together as family to receive God's gifts and to remember his love for us. Please come forward at the direction of the churchwardens. At the distribution of the bread and wine these words will be said .

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life
The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life

The communicant replies **Amen**

After the choir anthem please join with the singing of this hymn

**Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am,, poor, wretched, blind;
sight riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of god, I come.**

**Just as I am , of that free love
the breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.**

Prayer after Communion

The Post-Communion prayer is said

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.

Hymn

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name: the Lord, the mighty one.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!**

The Blessing and Dismissal

Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

REFRESHMENTS AT ST JOHN'S everyone is welcome to the hall today to join us for refreshments.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE do join us from 10.00-12noon every Wednesday at St James's. Everyone is welcome.

LAST WORDS OF LOVE This year we are putting on this very moving act of worship on Sunday 13th April (Palm Sunday) at St John's at 4pm. The choir have been practising very hard for this service and they will be supported by members of other local church choirs. Please do come and support our choir .

LENT LUNCH AT ST JOHN'S As you will see we will be hosting our Lent Lunch at St John's on Thursday 3rd April. We do need volunteers to help this event so if you are able to make some soup or turn up early to help set out the tables and serve, all help will be much appreciated. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church today.

GOOD FRIDAY PILGRIMAGE We will be putting on the Good Friday Pilgrimage at St John's again this year from 10.00am - 1.00pm. We do need people to steward this event, at least two people for every hour. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church if you are able to help in this way.

TRIBUTE NIGHT I'm delighted to say that the last Tribute Night made a fantastic profit of £939.74. This is a amazing result and my thanks go to all who attended and the team from PEG who put it together.

ELECTORAL ROLL As 2025 is a year for the preparation of a completely new Electoral roll. If you wish to be included on the new roll, even though your name is on the existing roll, you must apply to be included – inclusion is not automatic. Copies of the Electoral Roll Application form, together with consent forms (required to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)) are available in church. If you wish to be included on the new roll, please complete an application form and consent form. Your completed forms should be placed in the sealed box provided in church or returned to Carol Jennings, Electoral Roll Officer, 3 Belmont Rise, Baildon BD17 5AN 01274 590558/ 07751210902 carolajennings0@gmail.com The closing date for receipt of application forms is Wednesday 9th April 2025.

DAFFODILS At our joint Parish Family Service for Mothering Sunday we want to do something different this year. As well as giving a bunch of daffodils to those present we thought it would be a great idea to go out of the service and give a bunch to anyone we meet around Baildon and to leave them for people to pick up! We will put a label on them telling people where they are from. Obviously this is going to cost us a bit more than last year so I'm asking if you would consider making a donation so that we can flood Baildon with daffodils! If you are able to please give either via BACS using the reference DAFFS or give cash to Canon Sandra or Rev Ruth.

KITCHEN AND BAR DEEP CLEAN The Bar area and kitchen at St John's needs a really good deep clean. We have marked Saturday 5th April to do this starting at 9.30am. Please come and bring cleaning materials if you are able. More hands make light work!!!

CONFIRMATION Our Confirmation Service this year will be on Sunday 29th June at St John's Church at 10am. This is for anyone, no matter how old, who wants to make this public declaration of faith. This is open to any young people who are Year 6 (and regular church attenders) or above. If you would like to consider this please speak to Canon Sandra or Rev Ruth.

MOTHERING SUNDAY As this falls this year on a fifth Sunday of the month we will be holding a joint Family Service at St John's starting at 10am. It will be great to come together as a Church family and celebrate our mothers and those who care for us.

DAFFODILS HELP WANTED This year we are hoping to not only give out daffodil bunches during the service but also take them around the Village to give to people we meet and leave them to be picked up. We will put a label on telling them where they are from. As we shall have up to 300 bunches to prepare we would like as much help as possible on Saturday 29th at 10am at **St James**. If you feel you could spare an hour or so please let me know on 07770 942726 or 01274 5962622. Thank you. Madeleine

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN THE PARISH

Palm Sunday 13th April

10.00am Holy Communion at St John's
10.30am Service of the Word at St James's
4.00pm Last Words of Love at St John's

Tuesday 15th April at St John's

7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 16th April at St James's

12 noon Holy Communion

Thursday 17th April (Maundy Thursday) at St John's

7.30pm Holy Communion including sharing a light supper together as we journey together to Gethsemane and the arrest of Jesus

Friday 18th April (Good Friday) at St John's

9.00am Walk of Witness from St Aidan's Church
10.00am- 1.00pm Good Friday Pilgrimage
2.00pm Last Hour at the Cross

Sunday 20th April (Easter Day)

- 6.30am Dawn Service at St John's
8.30am Easter Communion at St John's
9.30am Easter Communion at St Hugh's
10.00am Easter Communion at St John's
10.30am Easter Communion at St James's

Giving to the Parish

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Account number: 80028819 Sort code: 20-11-81

BY CHEQUE to:

Parish Warden, Ian Ibbotson, 14 Heaton Drive, Baildon, BD17 5PH
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