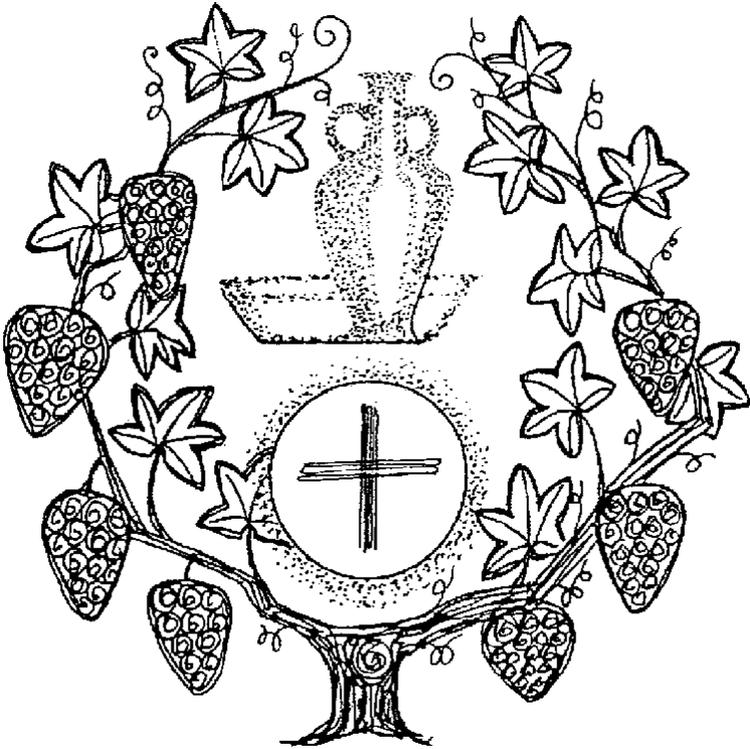


Sung Eucharist



Sunday 2 May, 10.30am
The Fifth Sunday of Easter
President: Canon Dr David Holgate
Preacher: The Dean

Missa secunda Pontificalis Lorenzo Perosi

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral for this celebration of Holy Communion

Welcome to the Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in the heart of the City of Manchester. The building is the old mediaeval Parish Church of Manchester. King Henry V first granted it Collegiate status in 1421 and it became Manchester's Cathedral on the creation of the Diocese of Manchester in 1847. It is believed that there has been a church on or near this site for over a thousand years.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Easter season is a fifty-day celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, beginning on Easter Day and concluding on the Day of Pentecost (Whitsunday). It offers a sustained period of reflection on the meaning of Christ's eternal victory over evil, sin and death. A sense of joy, encapsulated in the great cry 'Alleluia', characterises this season, and the liturgical colour is white or gold, for celebration.

According to St Luke's chronology, Christ ascended on the fortieth day after his Resurrection (Acts 1: 3), and so this day is observed as Ascension Day. The ten days between Ascension Day and Pentecost (including the Seventh Sunday of Easter) are days of prayer for renewal by the Holy Spirit.

The Day of Pentecost celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church and brings the Easter season to its glorious conclusion. The liturgical colour of Pentecost is red to represent the coming of the Spirit in tongues as of fire (Acts 2: 3).

From the Monday after the Day of Pentecost the Church returns to 'Ordinary Time', save for the Sunday after Pentecost when we celebrate the great festival of the Godhead, Trinity Sunday.

Celebrating 600 years

2021 is a special year for Manchester Cathedral as it marks the 600th anniversary of the granting of our first Royal charter establishing a collegiate church. Even in these uncertain times, an exciting programme of events for the whole family is planned and we hope to be able to share more details in due course.

Safeguarding

Manchester Cathedral works hard to create safe environments where children and young people are protected and where all people, especially those who may be vulnerable for any reason, are able to worship and pursue their faith journey with encouragement and in safety. We follow the policies and procedures detailed within the Cathedral Safeguarding Handbook. We act promptly on any complaints made, and work in partnership with Manchester Diocese, the police and social care services whenever appropriate to do so. Details of our policy and how to voice a concern can be found on a dedicated page of our website and on the noticeboard at the south porch.



Hearing-loop

The Cathedral has a hearing-loop.
Please set your hearing aid to setting T.

Have you turned off your mobile phone?

Please make sure that you have turned off your mobile phone and any other electronic equipment that might interrupt the service.

Photography

Please do not use cameras, photo-imaging devices or recording equipment during the service.

Welcome to the Cathedral

We offer a very warm welcome to any who are visiting us today. If you would normally receive communion in your own church you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not receive communion please feel free to come up for a blessing instead. Just bow your head when you come up so the Eucharistic Minister will know.

Gluten Free Wafer

If you require a gluten free communion wafer please indicate this by pointing to the Altar table as you come up to receive.

Today's Service

President

Canon Dr David Holgate

Preacher

The Dean

Musicians

The Lay Clerks are conducted by Christopher Stokes,
Organist and Master of the Choristers

The organ is played by Geoffrey Woollatt,
Sub-Organist

Music before the service

Voluntary IV in G minor

Maurice Greene (1696-1755)

The Gathering

The President welcomes the congregation

Please remain seated and refrain from singing

Hymn

sung by the Choir

Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly;
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!

Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out;
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!

Luckington NEH 394
Basil Harwood (1859-1949)

George Herbert (1593-1632)

Please stand

The Greeting

President In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

All **Amen.**

President Peace be with you

All **and also with you.**

President Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Prayer of Penitence

Deacon Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God.
Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept

All **Father, we have sinned against heaven and against you.
We are not worthy to be called your children.
We turn to you again.
Have mercy on us,
bring us back to yourself
as those who once were dead
but now have life through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

President May the God of love
bring you back to himself,
forgive you your sins,
and assure you of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

Gloria in excelsis

sung by the Choir

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Et in terra pax hominibus
bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe. Domine Deus,
Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,

suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,

miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu
in gloria Dei Patris.

Amen.

*Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace,
good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.*

*O Lord, the only-begotten Son
Jesu Christ; O Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away
the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand
of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.*

*For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory
of God the Father.
Amen.*

The Collect

President Almighty God,
 who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
 have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
 grant that, as by your grace going before us
 you put into our minds good desires,
 so by your continual help
 we may bring them to good effect;
 through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

Acts 8. 26-end

A reading from Acts

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

 "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
 and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
 so he does not open his mouth.
 In his humiliation justice was denied him.
 Who can describe his generation?
 For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.

As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

At the end of the reading

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22. 25-end

sung by the Choir

My praise is of thee in the great congregation: my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he is the Governor among the people.

All such as be fat upon earth: have eaten and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him: and no man hath quickened his own soul.

My seed shall serve him: they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation. They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness: unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

Please stand

Gospel Reading

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

All **Glory to you O Lord.**

John 15. 1-8

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches.

Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

At the end of the reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you O Christ.**

Please sit

Sermon

The Dean

After the sermon silence is kept for reflection.

Please stand

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.**

Please sit

Prayers of Intercession

Minister God of resurrection:
All **hear our prayer.**

At the end

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand

Coronavirus Information

Following advice issued by the Church of England, in order to minimise the spread of infection we ask that you do not shake hands during the Peace.

President Alleluia. Christ has been raised from the dead.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Preparation of the Table and Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Risen Lord Jesus Christ,
we believe you, and all we have heard is true.
When you break bread
may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us,
that we may bring light to your world.

All **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.

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

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

President It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter
to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.
For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.
And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

Choir Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, *Holy, holy, holy,*
Dominus Deus Sabaoth. *Lord God of hosts,*
Pleni sunt caeli et terra *heaven and earth are full*
gloria tua. *of thy glory.*
Osanna in excelsis. *Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus qui venit *Blessed is he that cometh*
in nomine Domini. *in the name of the Lord.*
Osanna in excelsis. *Hosanna in the highest.*

President Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
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.

All Jesus Christ is Lord:
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of The Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Denys, St George and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

The Lord's Prayer

President 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

President Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All **Now we are raised to new life.**

President We were buried in your tomb.

All **Now we share in your resurrection.**

President Live in us, that we may live in you.

President Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

The Giving of Communion

President 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.**

Prayer for Spiritual Holy Communion

Loving God, in union with Christian people throughout the world and across the centuries, we have gathered today to worship you by hearing your holy word, breaking the bread of life and blessing the cup of salvation to share in your body and blood. We gladly offer you ourselves now to thank you for all that you have done for us. Though we cannot eat of the bread of life and drink from the cup of blessing today, we thank you that we are living members of the body of Christ, and united with your dear Son who gave his life for us. Come Lord Jesus, dwell in each of us and fill us afresh with your Holy Spirit.

Canon David Holgate, adapted from 1 Cor 10-12

The President receives communion and then says:

All The body of Christ
Amen.

All The blood of Christ
Amen.

Please bring your offering with you and place it in the collection tray as you come up for communion.

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Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Following advice issued by the Church of England, in order to minimise the spread of infection, communicants will receive only the bread at communion which will be placed on your hands.

During the administration of communion, the Choir sings the Agnus Dei and anthem.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*O Lamb of God
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*O Lamb of God
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God
that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.*

Anthem

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of all gods: for his mercy endureth for ever.

O thank the Lord of all lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who only doeth great wonders: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who laid out the earth above the waters: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who hath made great lights: for his mercy endureth for ever;

The sun to rule the day: for his mercy endureth for ever;

The moon and the stars to govern the night: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who remembered us when we were in trouble: for his mercy endureth for ever;

And hath delivered us from our enemies: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Matthew Locke (c1621-77)

Psalm 136. 1-9. 23, 24

President Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
 grant us to walk in his way,
 to rejoice in his truth,
 and to share his risen life;
 who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

All

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please remain seated and refrain from singing

Hymn

sung by the Choir

Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Blaenwern NEH 408
William Rowlands (1860-1937)

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President The God of peace,
 who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
 that great shepherd of the sheep,
 make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
 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 the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Music after the service

Voluntary VI in B flat major

Maurice Greene

Weekly Notices
2 May 2021
Upcoming Special Events and Services

Sunday 2 May - The Fifth Sunday of Easter

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Monday 3 May

9am Morning Prayer

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 4 May

9am Morning Prayer

1.10pm Holy Eucharist

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 5 May

9am Morning Prayer

1.10pm Holy Eucharist

5.30pm Evensong - Livestreamed only

Thursday 6 May

9am Morning Prayer

1.10pm Holy Eucharist

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 7 May

9am Morning Prayer

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 8 May

9am Morning Prayer

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 9 May - The Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.30am Sung Eucharist

4.30pm Evening Prayer

Please leave the building promptly, taking your order of service with you. Thank you.

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