
ST JOHN'S N4

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 25th April 2021



Please pray

- For those discerning a vocation to Christian ministry.
- For vocational discernment in our own lives.

Welcome to St John's! This sheet has everything you need to follow what is going on. The writing in the grey italics gives instructions. The text in normal type will be spoken by a priest, reader or other member of the congregation. We all join in with the bold type.

There will be a number of changes during this Mass to keep everybody safe: There will be no congregational singing; we won't be sharing the peace; there will be no collection plate and communion will be in one kind only. Please remain in your place once Mass as started.

Please stand when the bell rings and the altar party enters.

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Confession

We are invited to call to mind our sins.

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with living bread.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Absolution
The celebrant prays for the forgiveness of our sins, to which we respond:

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 sin 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.

We remain standing for the Collect, to which we respond:

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The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Acts 4:5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

We say the Response:

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the Lord who is good, for God's love endures for ever. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in mortals; it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in rulers. **R**

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour. The stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **R**

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour. Give thanks to the Lord who is good; for God's love endures for ever. **R**

Second Reading

1 John 3:16-end

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

We stand for the Gospel reading.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and my own know me.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 10:11-18

And the end of the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the sermon.

The Creed

Please stand for 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.

The Intercessions

*In the intercessions, we make this, or
another response:*

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The Peace

*Please remain standing as the celebrant
introduces the Peace.*

The peace of the Lord be always
with you.

And also with you.

*Please remember not to share the
peace with one another!*

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The priest says the offertory prayers:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation; for through your goodness
we have this bread to offer you. Fruit
of the earth, and work of human
hands, it will become for us the
bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation; for through your goodness
we have this wine to set before you.
Fruit of the vine, and work of human
hands, it will become our spiritual
drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Invitation to Prayer is said:

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my
sacrifice and yours may be
acceptable to God, the almighty
Father.

May the Lord accept the
sacrifice at your hands, for the
praise and glory of his name, for
our good, and the good of all
his holy Church. Amen.

The priest then prays the Prayer over the Gifts to which we respond:

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The priest praises God for his mighty acts, and we say the Sanctus and Benedictus:

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.

The priest prays the prayer of consecration, and this acclamation is said:

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues, leading into the doxology, which ends

... for ever and ever.

Amen.

The priest introduces the Lord's Prayer:

**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 Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated host:

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

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

We say the Agnus Dei:

**Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world:
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Behold Lamb of God, who takes
away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to
his supper.

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

Post Communion

*We stand as the celebrant prays, to
which we respond.*

Amen.

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

...and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit,
be among you and remain with you
always.

Amen

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The Regina Caeli

*Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia;
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.*

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary,
alleluia.

**For the Lord has risen indeed,
alleluia.**

Notices

Although there have been some recent changes to **coronavirus restrictions**, very little has changed in terms of the way we worship and use this building. Please remember to wear your mask at all times, and not to interact with anyone outside your own household or bubble inside the building. You are now however able to talk to others outside in the garden.

Mthr Alice is going on holiday from this afternoon until Monday 3rd May.

Our **Electoral Roll** is open for revision for the next two weeks. This means that you can let Mthr Alice know if you'd like to join the Electoral Roll, or if you'd like your name removed for any reason. There are certain conditions attached to who is allowed to be a member - please speak to Mthr Alice if you'd like to find out more. The names of those on our current electoral roll are on the noticeboard in the foyer so you can check whether or not you are on it.

Our **Patronal Festival** will soon be upon us. We'll be celebrating the Feast of St John at the Latin Gate on Thursday, 6th May with Mass at 7pm. There will not be a 10am mass that day.

Ascension Day this year is on Thursday 13th May. You can join us for Mass at our normal Thursday time of 10am, as well as in the evening at 7pm. Both of these will be live streamed.

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