

St Swithun's, Hither Green
Parish Eucharist

Easter 6



The Lord is Risen!
ALLELUIA!

Sunday 9th May 2021, 10am

The Gathering

The Greeting

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Mother Juliet says some words of welcome.

Prayers of preparation

Whoever we are, whatever our names

May we hear the risen Christ calling us

to accept God's invitation to new life. **Amen**

Saying Sorry - Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, 'If you love me, keep my commandments'.

We are sorry when we don't share your words of love
and we speak unkindness

Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

We are sorry when we don't act with your love
and we are selfish in our attitude

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We are sorry when we don't spend time in your perfect love
And we rely only on ourselves

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We are Forgiven - 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. **Amen.**

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest; **and peace to all people on earth.**

We listen to the music as we glorify God

The Collect

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

The Liturgy of the Word

Bible Reading *Acts 10: 44-end*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

For the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



The Gospel Reading *John 15.9-17*

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

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon *Rev Ann Clarke*

Profession of Faith

**We believe in God, Creator,
Mother and Father of us all,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in Jesus, God's Son, Redeemer,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with love.**

**We believe in God, Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

Prayers

Loving God, we pray for faith, hope and love.

Loving God, we pray for our world and its leaders: we especially pray for the people of St Vincent who have lost so much in the recent volcanic activity. We pray for Vanda and all others who have family and friends who are affected by this disaster. We continue to pray for India as they struggle with healthcare during the pandemic. May our response be loving and generous...

Give us love, **Give us faith**

Loving God, in you we live and move and have our being - As we remember that we are all your children, may we be united in prayer. We pray especially for our Saint Swithun's Church family and hold in our hearts those who particularly need our prayers and our action...

Give us love, **Give us faith**

We pray for our community in Hither Green, especially for those who work in charitable organisations. We give thanks for the many people who we live amongst who work to relieve the suffering of others. We pray that we will work with others to bring hope and love in our parish.

Give us love, **Give us faith**

Healing God, we bring before you all those in need of our prayers. Especially Eva, Kayne, Shauna, Audra, Fran and family, Susan, Lamar, Maureen, Karen, Paulette and family, Catherine and family, Canon Richard, Gwen, Pamela, Neil, Debbie, Clinton, Francis, Cynthia, Ivy, Taneisha, Talabi, Edith, Vanda, Lorna, Ena, Monica, Joan and Stephen. Be close to each of them, and to all those who are unknown to us but known to you.

Give us love, **Give us faith**

You bring us to eternal life; we remember those who are with you in eternity, especially we remember today Susanna, Conrad, Carl and Annette. Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord

And let light perpetual shine upon them

Merciful Father

**Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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

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.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and 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.*

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

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 for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.*

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**



With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:
Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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

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.

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace

Giving of Communion

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Alleluia! Let us celebrate the feast!

Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

Father and mother of us all

Thank you for teaching us with your word.

Thank you for feeding us with bread and wine.

Thank you for the many gifts we have been given.

May we share what we have been given with others. Amen.

Notices

- Wedding Banns
- PCC 16th May at 11am
- Happy Birthday to all those who have a birthday.

The Blessing

God our Mother and Father,

by whose glory, Christ was raised from the dead,

strengthen you to live in faith, hope and love;

and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit,

be with you this day and for ever.

Amen.

The Dismissal

We are raised to new life with Christ.

Go in peace. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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