

ST MARY'S HOLY COMMUNION 4 July 2021

GREETING:

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

HYMN:

**All my hope on God is
founded,**

all my trust He shall renew;
he, my guide through changing
order,
only good and only true.
God unknown, He alone
calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his
trust;
all that human toil can fashion
tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

Day by day our mighty giver
grants to us his gifts of love;
in his will our souls find
pleasure,
leading to our home above.
Love shall stand at his hand.
Joy shall wait at his command.

Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,

High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ his Son.
Hear Christ's call one and all:
We who fall shall not fall.

INTRODUCTION and CONFESSION: invitation

**Lord God, we have sinned
against you;
we have done evil in your
sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according
to your love.
Wash away our wrong
doing
and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within
us
and restore to us the joy of
your salvation, through
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

ABSOLUTION and COLLECT: Trinity 5

Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our
wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your
will,
that we may find all things
restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

READING: Genesis 18

16 When the men got up to leave, they looked down toward Sodom, and Abraham walked along with them to see them on their way. **17** Then the LORD said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do? **18** Abraham will surely become a great and powerful nation, and all nations on earth will be blessed through him. **19** For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is right and just, so that the LORD will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him."
20 Then the LORD said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous **21** that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know."
22 The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the LORD. **23** Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the

wicked? **24** What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare^[e] the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? **25** Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

26 The LORD said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

27 Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, **28** what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?"

"If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it."

29 Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?"

He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it."

30 Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak.

What if only thirty can be found there?"

He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there."

³¹ Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?"

He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it."

³² Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?"

He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it."

³³ When the LORD had finished speaking with Abraham, he left, and Abraham returned home.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GRADUAL SONG:

Lord, you are more precious than silver,

GOSPEL: read by president:

Mark 6 v 1-6

Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. ² When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the

synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

"Where did this man get these things?" they asked. "What's this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? ³ Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph,^[a] Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.

⁴ Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honour except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home." ⁵ He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. ⁶ He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. ⁷ Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

⁸ These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in

your belts. ⁹ Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. ¹⁰ Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. ¹¹ And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them."

¹² They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³ They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

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

ADDRESS: Tim Ward

SONG:

My name is written on Your hands

APOSTLE'S 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.**

INTERCESSIONS:

THE PEACE: *Introduction, then*
The peace of the Lord be always with you:
And also with you.

HYMN:

In Christ alone my hope is found

THANKSGIVING 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 him thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and *saying:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of**

your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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.

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

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 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.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**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 forever. 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.**

INVITATION to communion

POST-COMMUNION:

**Almighty God, we thank you
for feeding us with the body
and blood of your Son Jesus
Christ. Through him we
offer you our souls and
bodies to be a living
sacrifice.**

**Send us out in the power of
your Spirit to live and work**

**to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

NOTICES & BLESSING

HYMN:

**Jesus shall reign where'er
the sun** does its successive
journeys run,
his kingdom stretch from shore
to shore, till moons shall wax
and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be
made, and praises throng to
crown his head.

His name like sweet perfume
shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every
tongue dwell on his love with
sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his
name.

Blessings abound where'er he
reigns: the prisoners leap to
lose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are
blest.

Let every creature rise and
bring the highest honours to
our King,

angels descend with songs
again, and earth repeat the
loud amen.

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace to love serve the
Lord.

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

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