



THE SUNDAY SHEET
MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD – 15TH AUGUST 2021

*A very warm welcome as we gather for the Parish Eucharist.
An induction loop is provided. To use, please turn your hearing aid to T.*

Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

ENTRANCE HYMN

Sing we of the blessed Mother
who received the angel's word,
and obedient to his summons
bore in love the infant Lord;
sing we of the joys of Mary
at whose breast that child was fed,
who is Son of God eternal
and the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,
of the sword that pierced her through,
when beneath the cross of Jesus
she his weight of suffering knew,
looked upon her Son and Saviour
reigning high on Calv'ry's tree,
saw the price of our redemption
paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary
when she saw the risen Lord,
and, in prayer with Christ's apostles,
waited on his promised word:

from on high the blazing glory
of the Spirit's presence came,
heav'nly breath of God's own being,
manifest through wind and flame.

Sing the greatest joy of Mary
when on earth her work was done,
and the Lord of all creation
brought her to his heav'nly home:
virgin mother, Mary blessed,
raised on high and crowned with grace,
may your Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face.

George B. Timms 1910-1997

Tune: Abbot's Leigh, Cyril Taylor 1907-1991

THE COLLECT

Almighty God,
who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

GALATIANS 4. 4-7

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia,
We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Alleluia.

LUKE I. 46-55

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

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

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

O Lord, our strength and our song,
open to us the gates of righteousness,
that we may enter through them and give you thanks;
may we know your light and your salvation
and receive the blessings of your house;
whose steadfast love endures for ever and ever. **Amen.**

HYMN AT THE END OF COMMUNION

For Mary, Mother of the Lord
God's holy name be praised,
Who first the Son of God adored
As on her child she gazed.

The angel Gabriel brought the word
She should Christ's mother be;
Our Lady, handmaid of the Lord,
Made answer willingly.

The heavenly call she thus obeyed,
And so God's will was done;
The second Eve love's answer made
Which our redemption won.

She gave her body for God's shrine,
Her heart to piercing pain,
And knew the cost of love divine
When Jesus Christ was slain.

Dear Mary, from your lowliness
And home in Galilee,
There comes a joy and holiness
To every family.

Hail, Mary, you are full of grace,
Above all women blest;
Blest in your Son, whom you embrace
In birth and death confessed.

J R Peacey 1896-1971
Tune: St Botolph, Gordon Slater 1896-1979

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

TODAY'S READINGS

REVELATION II. 19 – 12. 6, 10

The woman, adorned with the sun and standing on the moon, brings forth the son who is to rule all nations.

GALATIANS 4. 4-7

Because of the birth of Jesus, we are adopted children of God.

LUKE I. 46-55

Mary proclaims the greatness of the Lord, marvelling at all that God has done for her.



NOTICES

Covid 19 Please use the hand sanitiser, complete the Track & Trace form, and please continue wear a face covering when coming to church. Some changes are being made as restrictions ease but please take care to keep one another safe.

Service Booklets. Please do take this reading sheet away with you after the service but please leave the service booklet on your seat. The booklets are quarantined until the following Sunday. Thank you!

Prayers. Please continue to pray for the current situation with Covid 19 and for all those who suffer especially the anxious. Please pray too for the recovery and reconstruction of the Church both now and when this crisis is over. Pray for

the renewal and growth of the Church in this place.

Organ Recitals. A small series of organ recitals is taking place over the summer. The next, and final one of the series, is as follows:

Wednesday 1st September at 7.30pm – Richard Lea (Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral) – there will be a retiring collection afterwards.

Messy Church Holiday Club. A huge thank you to Marion and to all who helped in any way with last week's Holiday Club. A really good number of children and families attended and the week has been very successful. Please continue to pray for those who came that they may be drawn deeper into our fellowship.

Coffee. Please join us for refreshments in the marquee in the grounds of the church after the service. There will be a plate available for donations towards the refreshments. Thank you!

THE WEEK AHEAD

16th Monday – Feria

12noon Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

17th Tuesday – Feria

7pm Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

18th Wednesday – Feria

10.30am Holy Eucharist *on Zoom*

19th Thursday – Feria

10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*

10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish*

Church

12noon to 4.30pm Parish Church open
for private prayer and for visitors

20th Friday – Bernard, Abbot

9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*) *at the*
Cathedral

22nd Sunday – Trinity 12

9.30am The Parish Eucharist

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

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