



THE SUNDAY SHEET
THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER
23RD APRIL 2023

*A very warm welcome as we gather for the Parish Eucharist.
An induction loop is provided.*

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

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,
your sweetest notes employ;
the paschal victory to hymn
in strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion bursts his chains,
crushing the serpent's head;
and cries aloud through death's dormains
to wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey
at his command restore;
his ransomed hosts pursue their way
where Jesus goes before.

Triumphant in his glory now
to him all power is given;
to him in one communion bow
all saints in earth and heaven.

While we his soldiers praise our King,
his mercy we implore,

within his palace bright to bring
and keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
while endless ages run. Alleluia! Amen!

St Fulbert of Chartres d.1028 tr. Robert Campbell 1814-1868

Tune: St Fulbert

The order of service can be found in the Eucharist Booklet

THE COLLECT

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
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.**

ACTS 2. 14A, 36-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:

Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified

with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

For the word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Please Stand

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Now he is living, the Christ.
Out of the tomb he is risen;
he has conquered death,
opened heaven to all believers.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Fintan O'Carroll 1922-1981 & Christopher Walker b.1947

LUKE 24. 13-35

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with

Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

After the Sermon please turn to the Eucharist booklet for the Affirmation of Faith

OFFERTORY HYMN

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him, whose love divine
gives his sacred blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
paschal victim, paschal bread;
with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.

Easter triumph, Easter joy,
sin alone can this destroy;
from sin's power do thou set free
souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.

Hymns of glory and of praise,
risen Lord, to thee we raise;
holy Father, praise to thee,
with the Spirit, ever be.

Tr. Robert Campbell 1814-1868
Tune: Easter Hymn

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Creator of all,
you wash away our sins in water,
you give us new birth by the Spirit,
and redeem us in the blood of Christ.
As we celebrate the resurrection,
renew your gift of life within us.
We ask this in the name of
Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

Please turn to the Eucharist Booklet for the Eucharistic Prayer

HYMN AT THE END OF COMMUNION

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to him and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in him and you will not thirst. *(Sing through 3 times)*

Jacques Berthier 1923-1994

Please turn to the Eucharist Booklet

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

The day of resurrection!
earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God;
from death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our God hath brought us over
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection-light;
and, listening to his accents,
may hear so calm and plain
his own "All hail", and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful,
and earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
our joy that hath no end.

St John of Damascus 675-750
Tr. John Mason Neale 1818-1866

NOTICES

Refreshments. Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can.

Foodbank. The Foodbank box is now back in the Parish Church. Donations gratefully received.

Praying for Growth. Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer (*card copies are available at the back of the Church*):

*God of Mission,
Who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Community Fridge takes place every Sunday from 5-7pm at the Parish Church.

Chalice. We have taken a very cautious approach to the return to normality after the Pandemic and so far the chalice hasn't been available. The chalice has now been re-instated! Please be aware that you do not have to receive the chalice, but it will be there for those that do want to. Intinction (dipping the host in the chalice) is NOT allowed. If you have any questions please speak to one of the clergy. Thank you!

Memorial Service for John Knowles will take place at the Parish Church on Saturday 29th April at 2.30pm. Please do come along as we celebrate and give thanks for John's life.

Patronal Festival. The Feast of St Asaph (5th May) will be observed this year of 29th April with a Festival Eucharist at the Cathedral at 11am on that day. The Very Rev'd Sue Jones, the Dean of Liverpool, will be preaching. This is also the Annual Gathering of the Friends of the Cathedral and we will be joined by clergy celebrating significant anniversaries this year. Please do join us for this very special occasion in the life of the Cathedral and Diocese.

THE WEEK AHEAD

24th Monday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Holy Eucharist
5pm Evening Prayer

25th Tuesday – Mark, Evangelist

9am Morning Prayer
5pm Evening Prayer
6pm Holy Eucharist

26th Wednesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Eucharist
5pm Evening Prayer

27th Thursday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*
11am Prayer Group *at the Parish Church*
5pm Evening Prayer

28th Friday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*)

6pm Choral Evensong

29th Saturday – The Feast of St Asaph

(transferred from 5th May)

9am Morning Prayer

11am Festival Eucharist *at the Cathedral*

2.30pm Memorial Service for John

Knowles at the Parish Church

5pm Evening Prayer

30th Sunday – Easter 4

9.30am The Parish Eucharist *at the*

Parish Church

9.30am Holy Eucharist *at St Mary's Cefn*

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Evening Prayer

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