



The Sunday Sheet *for* Kingdom 3 Saturday 16th November 2025

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

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

Entrance Hymn

Great is the darkness that covers the earth,
oppression, injustice and pain;
nations are slipping in hopeless despair,
though many have come in your name –
watching while sanity dies,
touched by the madness and lies.

*Come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
pour out your Spirit we pray;
come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus,
pour out your Spirit on us today.*

May now your Church rise with power and love,
this glorious gospel proclaim;
in every nation salvation will come
to those who believe in your name.
Help us bring light to this world,
that we might speed your return.

Great celebrations on that final day,
when out from the heavens you come;
darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end,
and rulers will bow at your throne;
our great commission complete;
then face to face we shall meet.

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

Grace and peace be with you
and keep you in the love of Christ.

The Priest gives an introduction to the Eucharist and calls the people to penitence.

We seek to love those around us, but sometimes we feel hate towards them:
Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

We try to live in the light of your presence, but sometimes stray into darkness:
Christ, have mercy: **Christ, have mercy.**

We say we are committed to your way, but don't always live up to the challenge:
Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you and set you free from sin,
and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.
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Lord, God, heavenly King,
peace you bring to us,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we sing our song of praise.

Jesus, Saviour of all,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away our sins, Oh Lord,
have mercy on us all.

At the Father's right hand,
Lord receive our prayer,
for you alone are the Holy One,
and you alone are Lord.

Glory, Father and Son,
Glory Holy Spirit,
to you we raise our hands up high,
we glorify your name.

The Collect

Let us pray:

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please Sit

Malachi 4. 1-2a

A reading from the book of the prophet Malachi.

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

For the word of the Lord:
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Please Stand

*Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to his name.*

God has proclaimed the just reward:
life for the world, alleluia.

*Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to his name.*

*Donald Fishel b.1950
Tune: Alleluia No. 1*

Luke 21. 5-19

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, ⁶‘As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.’

⁷ They asked him, ‘Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?’ ⁸And he said, ‘Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, “I am he! and, “The time is near!” Do not go after them.

⁹ ‘When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.’¹⁰ Then he said to them, ‘Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² ‘But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily

Please Sit

The Affirmation of Faith

Please Stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

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

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Intercessions

Please Sit

Appropriate responses may be used, for example

Lord, in your mercy:
hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us:
Lord, graciously hear us.

The Intercession ends with a suitable collect said by the priest, or the following

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

The Peace

Please Stand

Jesus offers the peace that can only be found in him. Let us receive his peace and share it with one another.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of the Lord's peace.

Offertory Hymn

Come with newly written anthems,
craft your finest psalm or song;
praise the God of marvellous mercy,
our deliverer, swift and strong –
he reveals his holy kindness
so that all the world may know:
never once has he forgotten
what he promised long ago.

Bring your hymns of celebration;
be creative, and rejoice;
blend as one your skilful playing,
thankful heart and cheerful voice.
Let the wonders of God's greatness
be your focus as you sing;
weaving reverence and excitement,
raise the shout: the Lord is King!

Sing until the whole creation
echoes to the melody,
till the seas and hills and rivers
join the swelling symphony:
for he comes, and every nation
shall receive its just reward –
sing to greet the God of justice,
righteous Judge and gracious Lord.

*Martin Leckebusch b.1962
based on Psalm 98
Tune: Blauenwern*

The Thanksgiving

We celebrate together the gifts and grace of God.

**We take this bread,
we take this wine
to follow Christ's example
and obey his command.**

Prayer over the Gifts

Father, you call us to be your servants;
fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that all the world may gather in joy
at the table of your kingdom;
we ask this through Christ our Lord. **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 our thanks and praise.

Lord of all life,
you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.

You give us happy times
and things to celebrate.
In these we taste your kingdom,
a feast for all your children.

You made us all,
each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels
and sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty.
And we lift our hearts before you
as a token of our love.
Holy, holy, holy, holy.**

**Gracious Father, gracious Father,
Blessed is the one who comes to us
in your name.
And we lift our hearts before you
as we give you thanks and praise.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may become Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come in glory.

So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with the Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Kentigern, St Asaph and all your saints
we give you glory,
through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Silence is kept

Please Sit

Let us pray with confidence to the Father:

**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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Communion

The priest breaks the bread

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

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

We sing

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

The Invitation to Holy Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy 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.**

The sacrament is administered with these words:

The body of Christ. **Amen.** The blood of Christ. **Amen.**

All those who are baptised (Christened) are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. Baptised (Christened) children are welcome to receive holy communion at the discretion of their parents.

If you are not receiving you are welcome to come forward for a blessing but please bring this leaflet with you as a signal to the priest.

Hymn at the end of Communion

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,

in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God, do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;

lift up your voices, the Lord is near. *Sing through twice*

Taize Community

Silence is kept

Post Communion Prayer

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:
his love is everlasting.

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Blessing

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Christ the King make you faithful and strong to do his will,
and bring you to reign with him in glory.
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 peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Final Hymn

To God be the glory! great things he hath done;
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son;
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!
let the earth hear his voice;
praise the Lord, praise the lord!
let the people rejoice:
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory; great things he hath done.*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Fanny Crosby 1820-1915
Tune: To God be the glory

Notices

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

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:

*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 4-5pm at the Parish Church.

Sunday Sheet. Please take this sheet home with you for the notices for the week and to pray for what is happening in the life of our Church.

Music & Discussion. Come and listen to songs full of passion and provocative ideas connected with or expressing faith. The music will be the lead into faith-based discussion. At the Parish Church at 7.30pm on 20th & 27th November. Further info from Dave Bradley: 07876732922
davebradley80@hotmail.co.uk

Advent begins on Sunday 30th November. As well as the usual morning Eucharist there will be the Advent Procession at the Cathedral at

3.30pm. This is a beautiful service of music and readings to mark the beginning of this special season.

Mothers Union meeting will be held on Wednesday the 19th November at 2pm. A talk on "Open the Book" by Linda Roberts. All welcome.

Ways of Giving to the work of the Parish Church. We are very grateful to all those who contribute financially to the life and witness of our Parish. There are various ways to do this:

1. The Collection plate near the entrance to the Church
2. Setting up a Standing Order. Contact Dave Bradley or Marion Hughes for the bank details
3. Gift Direct. Set up regular giving or make a one off donation.

For Gift Direct you can use the QR code below. Thank you very much.



The Week Ahead

17th Monday – Hugh, Bishop

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Eucharist

5pm Evening Prayer

18th Tuesday – Hilda, Abbess

9am Morning Prayer

5pm Evening Prayer

6pm Holy Eucharist

19th Wednesday – Tysilio, Abbot

9am Morning Prayer

10.30am Holy Eucharist

11.30am Retired Clergy Eucharist

6.15pm Sung Evening Prayer

20th Thursday – Charles Simeon

9am Morning Prayer

10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish*

Church

10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish*

Church

12noon Food4Thought Lunch *at the*

Parish Church

5pm Evening Prayer

21st Friday – Paulinus of Wales

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Offeren (Welsh Eucharist)

5pm Evening Prayer

7.30pm Cor Marchan Concert

22nd Saturday – Cecilia, Martyr

9am Morning Prayer

5pm Evening Prayer

23rd Sunday – Christ the King

9.30am The Parish Eucharist

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Choral Evensong

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Today's Readings

Malachi 4. 1-2a

The prophet proclaims that when God's work culminates in the coming of Messiah, the bright heat of his glory will bring healing for the faithful, but destruction for enemies of his righteous rule.

Psalm 98

2 Thessalonians 3. 6-13

Through his life and teaching, Paul underlines that Christians are to take responsibility for maintaining their own livelihoods. He warns believers not to be distracted by idlers and meddlers in their midst.

Luke 21. 5-19

Foretelling the Temple's destruction, Jesus also prophesies that upheavals in nature and human affairs will signify the ends times, preceded by a season of Christian persecution. He promises that God will equip his people in these extreme times. The faithful are assured of spiritual survival.

