



St Mary's Parish Church, Ross-on-Wye

Sung Eucharist

Ordinary Time

(Sundays before Lent, Sundays after Trinity until All Saints)



Everyone is welcome to worship at St Mary's. If you are new here, or a visitor, and would like to know more; please stay for coffee after the service so that we can get to know you better.

The weekly newsletter gives more detail on the specifics of this service and about what is going on in our churches.

As a Christian community, striving to be faithful followers of Jesus, we are here to love God in our lives and worship, and love and serve our neighbours.

- The musical setting for our Eucharist changes from week to week and you'll find the details on the weekly newsletter. A copy of the music is available from one of the welcomers by the door. Please ask if that would be helpful.
- At various points in the service people are invited to stand. However, if you prefer to remain seated, please don't feel embarrassed to do so.
- This service is being live streamed to YouTube and recorded. Unless you are told otherwise, only the area at the front from where the service is led is usually in shot. However if you wish to be assured that you will remain off camera please sit further back in the nave.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please let one of the welcomers know at the door if you would like to receive one.

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The Gathering

Welcome & Notices

*Before the service, the president offers words of welcome and gives any notices. More about what's going on in and around St Mary's will be found on our website, rossparishes.uk and Facebook page **St Mary's Church Ross-on-Wye**. After that we stand to sing:*

Introit Hymn

Details of the hymn will be found in the weekly newsletter. Please note that we omit starred verses in hymns unless otherwise announced. During the hymn the clergy and choir enter.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

We sit to confess our sins.

Most merciful God,
All Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

The Absolution

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Gloria

We stand to sing the Gloria which begins with the words of the angels at the Nativity, the other words were added quite early in the history of the Christian Church, turning it into a hymn praising God, Father Son and Holy Spirit.

All Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

*This is the special prayer for the day and can be found on the newsletter. We all respond: **Amen***

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Please sit for the first reading which is taken from the Old or New Testament. The reading ends with the response:

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

We stand to sing the hymn that introduces the Gospel. Details are on the newsletter. During this hymn the Gospel procession moves to the top of the nave symbolising the coming of God into our world.

The Gospel

We remain standing to hear the Gospel – a reading from the life of Christ - which more than anything inspires our living.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ

After the response the Gospel procession returns, as the organ plays, and we sit for:

The Sermon

The Creed

We stand to join in with the words of the historic Nicene Creed, a summary of our Christian faith.

**All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,**

maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

We sit or kneel for the prayers. At the end of each section there is a response that reflects our parish vision:

Lord we pray,

All fill us with faith, hope and love.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,

All Accept these prayers

For the sake of your Son,

Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The president introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence, then:

The peace of the Lord be always with you:

All and also with you.

We exchange a sign of peace. If you are joining us online, you might like to use the chat to do this.

The Offertory Hymn

We stand to join in with the Offertory Hymn, details of which will be found on the newsletter.

During this hymn a collection is taken. We welcome your offering. If you prefer to give digitally please scan the QR code, visit rossparishes.uk/giving or use the contactless card reader by the north door. If you are a

regular member of our community, we encourage you to consider the Parish Giving Scheme. Full details at rossparishes.uk/giving



The Eucharistic Prayer

This long prayer, containing many elements, is the very heart of our Eucharist. In it we all pray that the Real Presence of Christ may be present in form of bread and wine, and that by partaking in this remembrance of Christ we may be spiritually united with God.

We stand for the Eucharist Prayer B (below) or G (on page 12)

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give 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 singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,**

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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.
Jesus Christ is Lord:

**All Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

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
St Mary, and 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.

*We continue with the **Lord's Prayer** on page 15*

*Alternatively, **Eucharistic Prayer G** is used:*

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Lord God,
our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things

and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he 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.

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 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:

All Christ has died;

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,

and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with St Mary and all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All Blessing and honour and glory and power
Be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

We sit to say the words that Jesus taught us to pray.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All 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 for ever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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

All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we share in one bread.

Spiritual Communion

This prayer offers those who are taking part in our service online the opportunity to make a spiritual communion so that in communion we are united, as one Christian family with our Lord.

All Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

May all that is you flow into me.

May your body and blood be my food and drink.

May your passion and death be my strength and life.

Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given.

May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross.

Let me not run from the love which you offer

but hold me safe from the forces of evil.

On each of my dyings shed your light and your love.

Keep calling to me until that day comes

when with your saints, I may praise you for ever. Amen.

Agnus Dei

All Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world,

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world,

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world,

grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

The president gives words of invitation to communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God

Who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed

Everyone is invited to take communion at St Mary's. If you'd like to know more about being confirmed please talk to one of the welcomers or a member of the ministry team after the service.

During the communion, music appropriate to the theme of the service is sung by the choir or played by the organist. Please see the newsletter for details.

Prayer after Communion

All Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen

The Post Communion Hymn

We stand to join in with the Hymn, details of which will be found on the newsletter.

The Dismissal

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,
give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
and to proclaim the word and works of God;
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Thank you for being with us today. May the faith, the hope and the love of Christ inspire and guide your life in the week ahead.

Please join us for coffee which usually follows this service on the south side of the church. If you are visiting us or are new here, please take the opportunity to talk with the ministry team, a welcomer, or any regular members of our congregation.

