

St George  
Bickley

The Order for Mass on  
**the Fourth Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

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*Welcome to St George's! This booklet contains all the material you will need for today's celebration of Mass. We hope that you will find this service easy to follow, but please do not be afraid to ask if you are unsure what to do at any point. The building is fitted with an induction loop and you will find the best results away from the pillars.*

*Families with small children are very welcome to make use of the carpeted play area at the back of church, where you will find books, crayons and soft toys. There are two further play stations in the side aisles. Older children should join Children's Church, who will go out to the Hall after the first hymn, and return in time for Communion.*

*A toilet is at the back of church, behind the screen. After Mass, please join us in the hall for refreshments. Before Mass, please try to maintain an atmosphere of quiet prayer.*

*Mass setting: Heritage Mass.*

*Please stand when the bell rings, for the procession of the clergy and servers, and to sing hymn 332:*

**All hail the power of Jesu's name;  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
To crown him Lord of all.**

**Crown him, ye morning stars of light,  
Who fixed this floating ball;  
Now hail the Strength of Israel's might,  
And crown him Lord of all.**

**Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,  
Who from his altar call;  
Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,  
And crown him Lord of all.**

**Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
Ye ransomed of the fall,  
Hail him who saves you by his grace,  
And crown him Lord of all.**

Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,  
Whom David Lord did call;  
The God incarnate, Man divine,  
And crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
The wormwood and the gall,  
Go spread your trophies at his feet,  
And crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue  
To him their hearts enthrall,  
Lift high the universal song,  
And crown him Lord of all.

*Edward Perronet (1726-92)*

*The priest sings:*

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

*People* **Amen.**

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The priest introduces the Mass, sends Children's Church to their activities, and invites the people to recall and confess their sins:*

*Priest* The Lord is generous and full of compassion: his mercy is over all his works. Trusting in the goodness of God our Creator we turn to him in penitence for our sins.

*People* **I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

*Priest* May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life,

*People* **Amen.**

*Remain standing to sing the Kyries:*

*People* **Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

*We all sing the Gloria.*

*People* **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to  
people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we  
adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your  
great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty  
Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins  
of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins  
of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the  
right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. 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.**

*Then the priest prays the collect:*

*Priest* Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honour you with all  
our mind, and love everyone in truth of heart. Through  
our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with  
you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Now sit to listen to the first reading:*

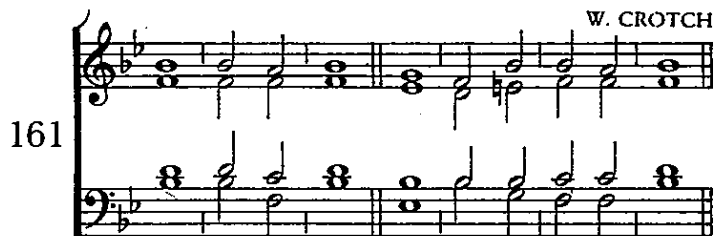
*Reader* A reading from the book of Deuteronomy. (*Deuteronomy 18;  
15-20*).

Moses said to the people: 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly when you said, "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak - that prophet shall die.'"

This is the word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 95 follows the reading. Remain seated to sing:*



- 1    **O come, let us sing un- | to the | Lord :**  
      **let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal- | vation.**
- 2    **Let us come before his | presence ' with | thanksgiving :**  
      **and shew ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms.**
- 6    **O come, let us worship and | fall\_ | down :**  
      **and kneel be- | fore the | Lord our | Maker.**
- 7    **For he is the | Lord our | God :**  
      **and we are the people of his pasture, and the | sheep of | his\_ | hand.**
- 8    **To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden | not your | hearts :**  
      **as in the provocation, and as in the day of temp- | tation | in the |**  
      **wilderness;**

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When your fa - thers tempted me: proved me and saw my works.

9 When your | fathers | tempted | me :  
proved me, ' and | saw my | works.

*Remain seated for the second reading:*

*Reader* A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the  
Corinthians. (1 Corinthians 7; 32-35)

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord. This is the word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Stand for the gospel acclamation after a brief pause for reflection.

*Choir* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Choir* Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere  
children.

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Deacon* The Lord be with you,

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. (*Mark 1; 21-28*)

*People* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Deacon* Jesus and his disciples went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the sabbath came he went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority. In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Please sit for the Homily from Fr Henry.*

*All stand to say the Nicene Creed:*

*People* **I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and  
invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son  
of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from  
God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten,  
not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him  
all things were made. For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was  
incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our**

sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I 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 adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Please remain standing for the Prayers of Intercession.*

*Priest* In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to God our Father.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy, / Lord, hear us.

*People* **Hear our prayer. / Lord, graciously hear us.**

*At the prayer for the departed,*

*Reader* Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

*People* **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*When the prayers of the saints are asked,*

**Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

*In conclusion to the prayers:*

*Priest* Father, you have promised to hear the prayers of those who ask in the name of your Son: grant that what we have asked in faith may be granted to us according to your will. Merciful Father,

*People* **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**



*Please sit, as the Choir sing “Lord, for thy Tender Mercy’s Sake”, by Richard Farrant (1525-80), and bread and wine are brought to the altar.*

*Stand to sing hymn 466, as the altar is prepared and the collection is taken. If you want to give by card, there is a card reader at the back of church.*

**Thou whose almighty word  
Chaos and darkness heard,  
And took their flight;  
Hear us, we humbly pray,  
And where the gospel day  
Sheds not its glorious ray  
Let there be light.**

**Thou who didst come to bring  
On thy redeeming wing  
Healing and sight,  
Health to the sick in mind,  
Sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
Let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love,  
Life-giving, holy Dove,  
Speed forth thy flight;  
Move on the water's face,  
Bearing the lamp of grace,  
And in earth's darkest place  
Let there be light.**

**Blessèd and holy Three,  
Glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
Boundless as ocean's tide  
Rolling in fullest pride,  
Through the world far and wide  
Let there be light.     *John Marriott (1780-1825)***

*The Priest says*

*Priest* Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

*People* **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

*Priest* O Lord, we bring to your altar these offerings of our service: be pleased to receive them, we pray, and transform them into the Sacrament of our redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Priest sings the opening of the Eucharistic Prayer:*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Priest prays the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer, and then all sing the Sanctus and Benedictus:*

*People* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel. The Eucharistic Prayer continues, until the Words of Institution.*

*Then all make the Memorial Acclamation:*

*Deacon* Great is the mystery of faith.

*People* **Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.**

*The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer, and all sing:*

*People* **Amen! Amen! Amen!**

Please stand for the Lord's Prayer.

*Priest* At the Saviour's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to sing,

*People* **Our Father, who art in heaven  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.**

*Priest* Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our day, that by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

*Priest* Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Now sing the Agnus Dei*

*People*      **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. (repeated)**  
**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

*Then kneel.*

*Priest*      Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

*People*      **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*Priest*      Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

*The people come forward to receive Communion. If you have not been baptized and confirmed, please come forward for a blessing instead of Communion, carrying this order of service.*

*During Communion hymn 282 is sung, all remaining seated or kneeling.*

**Faithful Shepherd, feed me  
In the pastures green;  
Faithful Shepherd, lead me  
Where thy steps are seen.**

**Hold me fast, and guide me  
In the narrow way;  
So, with thee beside me,  
I shall never stray.**

**Daily bring me nearer  
To the heavenly shore;  
May my faith grow clearer,  
May I love thee more.**

Hallow every pleasure,  
Every gift and pain;  
Be thyself my treasure,  
Though none else I gain.

Day by day prepare me  
As thou seest best,  
Then let angels bear me  
To thy promised rest.

*T B Pollock (1836-96)*

All stand for the Post-Communion Prayer:

*Priest* Nourished by these redeeming gifts, we pray, O Lord,  
that through this help to eternal salvation true faith may  
ever increase. Through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

Please sit for the notices.

Then stand for the blessing and dismissal

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and  
the Holy Spirit.

*People* **Amen.**

*Deacon* Go forth, the Mass is ended.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The clergy and servers go to the shrine of Our Lady for the Angelus.*

*Priest* The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary,

*People* **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art  
thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy  
womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us  
sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

*Priest* Behold the handmaid of the Lord,

*People*      **Be it unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...**

*Priest*      And the word was made flesh,

*People*      **And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...**

*Priest*      Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

*People*      **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

*Priest*      Let us pray. We beseech you, O Lord, pour your grace into our hearts, so that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ through the message of an angel, so, by his cross and passion, we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People*      **Amen.**

*Remain standing to sing hymn 443 as clergy and servers depart:*

**Rejoice, the Lord is King,  
Your Lord and King adore;  
Mortals, give thanks and sing,  
And triumph evermore:  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.***

**Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,  
The God of truth and love;  
When he had purged our stains,  
He took his seat above:**

**His kingdom cannot fail;  
He rules o'er earth and heaven;  
The keys of death and hell  
Are to our Jesus given:**

**He sits at God's right hand  
Till all his foes submit,  
And bow to his command,  
And fall beneath his feet:**

*Charles Wesley (1707-88)*

*The organist plays “Menuet Gothique”, by Léon Boëllmann (1862-97).*

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### **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday 9.30 (Bl Charles Stuart)

*Readings: 2 Samuel 18; 9-10, 14, 24-25, 30-19; 3. Mark 5; 21-43.*

Wednesday 9.30 (St John Bosco)

*2 Samuel 24; 2, 9-17. Mark 6; 1-6.*

11.00 Mass at Kyn.

Thursday 9.30

*1 Kings 2; 1-4, 10-12. Mark 6; 7-13.*

Friday 9.30 (Presentation of Our Lord)

*Malachi 3; 1-4. Hebrews 2; 14-18. Luke 2; 22-40.*

Saturday 9.30 with Blessing of Throats, followed by Rosary (St Blaise)

*1 Kings 3; 4-13. Mark 6; 30-34.*

**Next Sunday (Candlemass)**

8.00 Low Mass (traditional rite)

10.30 Sung Mass with Childrens Church

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