

**ST GEORGE  
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**THE ORDER FOR MASS ON  
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE  
MOST HOLY  
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST  
(CORPUS CHRISTI)**

**2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2024, 10.30AM**

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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 you will find this service easy to follow, but please also do not be afraid to ask if you are unsure what to do at any point. The building is fitted with an Induction Loop - sit away from the pillars for best results!

Families with small children are very welcome to make use of the carpeted 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. Sorry, Children's Church are on their half-term break.

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: Congress Mass.

Please stand when the bell rings, for the procession of the clergy and servers, and to sing hymn REH **367**:

**All for Jesus! all for Jesus!  
This our song shall ever be;  
For we have not hope nor Saviour  
If we have not hope in thee.**

**All for Jesus! thou wilt give us  
Strength to serve thee hour by hour:  
None can move us from thy presence  
While we trust thy love and power.**

**All for Jesus! At thine altar  
Plead we still that dreadful price;  
Thee we offer, thee we worship.  
In the holy sacrifice**

**All for Jesus! at thine altar  
Thou dost give us sweet content;  
There, dear Saviour, we receive thee  
In thy holy sacrament.**

**All for Jesus! thou hast loved us,  
All for Jesus! thou hast died,  
All for Jesus! thou art with us,  
All for Jesus, glorified!**

**All for Jesus! All for Jesus!  
This the Church's song shall be,  
Till at last the flock is gathered  
One in love, and one in thee.**

*WJ Sparrow-Simpson (1859-1952) altd.*

*Then 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 and invites the people to recall and confess their sins:*

*Priest* God has revealed himself to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, a God of compassion and love, so let us turn to him in penitence for our sins.

*Cantor* Lord Jesus, you have shown us the way to the Father  
Lord have mercy.

*People* **Lord have mercy.**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus, you have sent us the Spirit of truth  
Christ have mercy.

*People* **Christ have mercy.**

*Cantor* Lord Jesus, you are the source of eternal life  
Lord have mercy.

*People* **Lord have mercy.**

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

*People* **Amen**

Remain standing to sing the Gloria

**People**      **Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and peace, 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.**

Then the Priest prays the Collect,

**Priest**      O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**People**      **Amen.**

Now sit to listen to the First Reading. *Exodus 24; 3-8.*

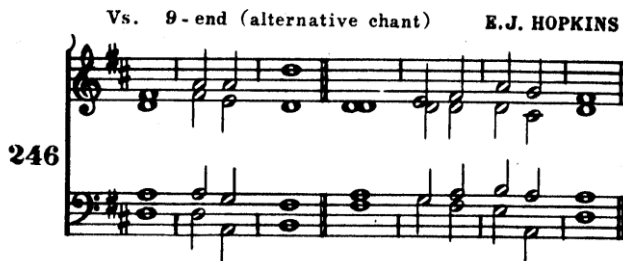
**Reader**      A reading from the book of Exodus.  
Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the

blood and cast it towards the people. This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

*Reader* This is the Word of the Lord.

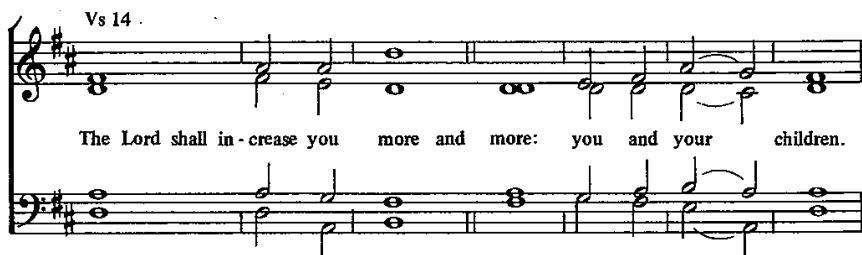
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Remain seated to sing the Psalm (115)*



11 Ye that fear the Lord, put your | trust ' in the | Lord :  
he is their | helper | and de- | fender.

12 The Lord hath been mindful of us and | he shall | bless us :  
even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall | bless the | house of |  
Aaron.



14 The Lord shall | increase you | more and | more :  
you and | your\_ | children.

15 Ye are the | blessed ' of the | Lord :  
who | made\_ | heaven ' and | earth.

16 All the whole heavens | are the | Lord's :  
the earth hath he | given ' to the | children ' of | men.

*Remain seated for the Second Reading. Hebrews. 9; 11-15.*

*Reader* A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and

he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

*Reader* This is the Word of the Lord.

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

*We pause for reflection. Then stand for the Gospel Acclamation,*

*Choir* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

*Choir* I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

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

*Priest* The Lord be with you

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

*Priest* A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*Mark 14; 12-16, 22-26.*

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

*Priest* On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a

pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover. And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.' After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

*Priest* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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

*Please sit for the Homily from Fr Henry.*

*Then stand to recite 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.*

*The Priest introduces and concludes the prayers.*

*Priest* My brothers and sisters, there is one sacrifice pleasing to God, that of his Son, Jesus Christ. By our prayers we unite ourselves to the Eucharistic prayer of the one High Priest, Jesus the Lord.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy or *Reader* Lord, hear us

*People* **hear our prayer** or *People* **Lord, graciously hear us**

*At the prayer for the departed,*

*Reader* Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,

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

*When the prayers of the saints are asked for,*

**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* O Lord our God, we confess that in Christ the fullness of your glory has been revealed. May your Spirit empower us to live as faithful members of Christ's body and to extend his salvation to all the world. Merciful Father,

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



*Please sit as the choir sing the anthem, "Hymn of the Trinity" by PI Tchaikovsky (1840-93), as bread and wine are brought to the altar,*

*Please stand to sing hymn REH 465, as the collection is taken. A card reader is available at the back of church for contactless donations, or use the QR code.*

**Just as I am, without one plea  
But that thy blood was shed for me,  
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings within, and fears without,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea all I need, in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:  
Because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come!**

**Just as I am (thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down),  
Now to be thine, yea thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come.**

**Just as I am, of that free love  
The breadth, length, depth and height to prove,  
Here for a season then above,  
O Lamb of God, I come.      *Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)***

*Then, all stand as 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* Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace, whose signs are to be seen in mystery in the offerings we here present. Through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Priest intones 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 power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel and join in the Memorial Acclamation,*

*Priest* 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 Eucharistic Prayer concludes, 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 say,

*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*

**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* Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

*The people come forward to receive communion. If you have **not** been baptised and confirmed, please come forward for a blessing instead of communion, carrying this Order of Service.*

*During communion hymn REH 401 is sung, for which all remain seated or kneeling,*

**Sweet Sacrament divine,  
Hid in thine earthly home,  
Lo, round thy lowly shrine,  
With suppliant hearts we come;  
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise  
In songs of love and heartfelt praise:  
Sweet Sacrament divine.**

**Sweet Sacrament of peace,  
Dear home for every heart,  
Where restless yearnings cease  
And sorrows all depart;  
There in thine ear all trustfully  
We tell our tale of misery:  
Sweet Sacrament of peace.**

**Sweet Sacrament of rest,  
Ark from the ocean's roar,  
Within thy shelter blest**

Soon may we reach the shore;  
Save us, for still the tempest raves,  
Save, lest we sink beneath the waves:  
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,  
Earth's light and jubilee,  
In thy far depths doth shine  
Thy Godhead's majesty;  
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray  
That earthly joys may fade away:  
Sweet Sacrament divine.

*Francis Stanfield (1835-1914)*

*At the end of communion, the priest does the ablutions as usual, but places a newly-consecrated Host in the monstrance.*

*Please sit for the Notices.*

*Then please stand for the Post-Communion Prayer:*

*Priest* Grant, O Lord, we pray, that we may delight for all eternity in that share in your divine life, which is foreshadowed in the present age by our reception of your precious Body and Blood. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Please kneel to sing the hymn "O Salutaris Hostia", while the Blessed Sacrament is honoured with incense:*

**O saving Victim, opening wide  
The gate of heaven to man below;  
Our foes press hard on every side,  
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.**

**All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
For evermore, blest One in Three;  
O grant us life that shall not end,  
In our true native land with thee. Amen.**

*St Thomas Aquinas tr JM Neale (1818-66)*

*The priest takes the monstrance, and, led by the servers, goes in procession around the church. Please join in the procession as soon as the priest has passed your pew, and return at the end.*

*Please stand to sing hymn REH 387, as we go in procession:*

**Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
First-begotten from the dead,  
Thou alone, our strong defender,  
Liftest up thy people's head.  
Alleluya,  
Jesus, true and living Bread!**

**Here our humblest homage pay we;  
Here in loving reverence bow;  
Here for Faith's discernment pray we,  
Lest we fail to know thee now.  
Alleluya,  
Thou art here, we ask not how.**

**Though the lowliest form doth veil thee  
As of old in Bethlehem,  
Here as there thine angels hail thee,  
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.  
Alleluya,  
We in worship join with them.**

**Prince of life, for us thou livest,  
By thy body souls are healed;  
Prince of peace, thy peace thou givest,  
By thy blood is pardon sealed;  
Alleluya,  
Word of God in flesh revealed.**

**Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished  
Once for all when thou wast slain,  
In its fullness undiminished  
Shall for evermore remain,**

**Alleluya,  
Cleansing souls from every stain.**

**Great high priest of our profession,  
Through the veil thou enteredst in;  
By thy mighty intercession  
Grace and mercy thou canst win:  
Alleluya,  
Only sacrifice for sin.**

**Life-imparting heavenly Manna,  
Stricken Rock with streaming side,  
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna  
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,  
Alleluya,  
Risen, ascended, glorified!** *GH Bourne (1840-1925)*

*When the Blessed Sacrament has returned to the altar, we kneel to sing the hymn "Tantum Ergo" as the priest honours the Blessed Sacrament with incense:*  
**Therefore we, before him bending,  
This great sacrament revere:  
Types and shadows have their ending,  
For the newer rite is here;  
Faith, our outward sense befriending,  
Makes the inward vision clear.**

**Glory let us give and blessing  
To the Father and the Son,  
Honour, might and praise addressing,  
While eternal ages run;  
Ever too his love confessing,  
Who, from both, with both is one. Amen.**

*St Thomas Aquinas tr JM Neale (1818-66)*

*The priest then stands and blesses the whole congregation, making the sign of the cross with the Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance, as bells are rung.*

*After benediction, a minister places the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. Please stand with the clergy and servers.*

*The organist then plays the “Trumpet Voluntary” by John Stanley as the clergy and servers depart.*

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