

**Welcome to Sung Eucharist at
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, BOLDRE
Christ the King
26th November 2023**



HYMN 567 *Please stand*

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

The Lord be with you:
and with your spirit

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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.

PRAYER OF PENITENCE

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Almighty God our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,

forgive us all that that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *All sing*

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

THE COLLECT FOR TODAY

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King; keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

FIRST READING

Jo Kent

Ephesians 1: 15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and

power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

For the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

HYMN 163

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'Caesar's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the Caesar the things that are the

Caesar's's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *Please sit*

THE CREED *Please stand*

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.

INTERCESSIONS *Please kneel or sit*
Janet Anderson

THE PEACE *Please stand*

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

HYMN 259

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord is here:
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts:
We lift them unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

And now we give you thanks that he is the King of glory, who overcomes the sting of death and opens the kingdom of heaven to all believers. He is seated at your right hand in glory and we believe that he will come to be our judge.

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:

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his

death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; and 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 bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of St, John 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. **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

AGNUS DEI *All sing*

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

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts with thanksgiving.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

RECEIVING COMMUNION

All here are welcome to receive

communion, or come forward for a blessing.

CHOIR:

Christ is the King!

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

HYMN 601

BLESSING

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may 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.**

NOTICES

Go in the peace of Christ:
Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY:

'Lobe den Herren' (Praise to the Lord)

G Walther

Today's organ:

Hereford Cathedral (Willis)

Please sign up for the Travelling Crib, Evening Prayer in Advent and/or
“Lectionaries and Liturgies” if you would like to take part.

(Sheets are on the font)

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SERVICES TODAY: 26 November 2023

St Nicholas's Pilley	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
St John's, Boldre	10.30am	Eucharist followed by Coffee
St. Mary's, S. Baddesley	5.30pm	Choral Evensong

NEXT SUNDAY: 3 December 2023

St Nicholas's, Pilley	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
St Mary's, S. Baddesley	9.30am	Matins
St John's, Boldre	10.30am	Matins
St John's, Boldre	6.30pm	Advent Carol service

FOR PRAYER THIS WEEK

Please pray for our work with children, for opportunities and volunteers

For Prayer: Ian Howat, Barbara Loweth, Alan Marsh, Sally Moon, Mel Porter, Kate, Jonny, Paul, Alex.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS, SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Wed 29 Nov	10.30pm	Holy Communion at St Nicholas Chapel
Fri 1 Dec	1.00pm	Funeral - Philip Andrews
Mon 4 Dec	12.30pm	Lunch Club in the Memorial Hall with carols
Tue 12 Dec	2.00pm	Thanksgiving and interment for Rob Covell at St Mary's

NOTICES

COFFEE ROTA: We need two more people to help with the refreshments please (roughly six times a year). Please see Carole if you would like to help or phone 01590 619794.

INK CARTRIDGES: Please put your old printer ink cartridges for recycling in the box in the porch.

CONCERT: Dita's choir, One Way Ticket, will be performing at St John's on Sunday December 10th at 4pm. Mulled Wine and mince pies will be served.

BENEFICE QUIZ: Saturday 2 Dec at 7pm. Please let Graham know if you would like to take part 07810 862292 (£5 per head. Tables of 8—bring your own food and drink).

CHRISTMAS CARDS: Please ask Hilary Knox if you would like to buy St John's Christmas cards.