

# The Parish Church of St. Mary, Shortlands



## Easter

Holy Communion

## **Welcome and Introduction**

### **The Gathering**

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

**Amen.**

### **The Easter Acclamation.**

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### **Prayers of Penitence**

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

Lord, Jesus, you raise us to new life.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins.

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

### *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**

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**

*Please refer to the Pew Paper*

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **New Testament Reading**

*Please refer to Pew Paper*

The following response may be used...

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading**

*Please refer to Pew Paper*

The following responses may be used...

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

and

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

## **Address**

## **The Creed**

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**

*This response may be used*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour, Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you'.

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you,

**and also with you. Alleluia.**

Let us acknowledge one another with a sign of peace.

## **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 thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal father, and in these days of  
Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion,  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women  
the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all  
creation, say forever the hymn of your glory.

**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.

**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;  
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;

through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honour be yours,  
Almighty Father,  
forever 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**

Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.

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

Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.

## **Giving of Communion**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*On behalf of the church and the community, Communion is administered.*

The body of Christ

**Amen**

The blood of Christ

**Amen**

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Please refer to Pew Paper*

## **NOTICES**

## **The Dismissal**

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work  
to do his will, working in you that which is  
well-pleasing in his sight;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

## **Hymn**