

St Luke's Church, Jersey
THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS
13 September 2020



Mass is now attended by a carefully controlled number of physical worshippers in church as well as our online congregation. The restrictions that are placed upon our physical gathering continue to include a prohibition on singing. There will, however, be a hymn led by the choir with which you, the online congregation may join, as the congregation in church receives Communion.

At the sound of the bell the Priest and servers enter and the altar is honoured with incense.

The Greeting

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

All **Amen.**

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

The Priest introduces the liturgy of the day and invites us to confess our sins.

The Penitential Rite

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The Priest says a Prayer for Forgiveness.

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 Opening Prayer

The Priest says the prayer for the day

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son
made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace:
grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake;
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the book of Numbers

On the way through the wilderness the people lost patience. They spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt to die in this wilderness? For there is neither bread nor water here; we are sick of this unsatisfying food.'

At this God sent fiery serpents among the people; their bite brought death to many in Israel. The people came and said to Moses, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you. Intercede for us with the Lord to save us from these serpents.' Moses interceded for the people, and the Lord answered him, 'Make a fiery serpent and put it on a standard. If anyone is bitten and looks at it, he shall live.' So Moses fashioned a bronze serpent which he put on a standard, and if anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked at the bronze serpent and lived.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Responsorial Psalm

Never forget the deeds of the Lord.

All **Never forget the deeds of the Lord.**

Give heed, my people, to my teaching;
turn your ear to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable
and reveal hidden lessons of the past.

All **Never forget the deeds of the Lord.**

When he slew them then they would seek him,
return and seek him in earnest.
They would remember that God was their rock,
God the Most High their redeemer.

All **Never forget the deeds of the Lord.**

But the words they spoke were mere flattery;
they lied to him with their lips.
For their hearts were not truly with him;
they were not faithful to his covenant.

All **Never forget the deeds of the Lord.**

Yet he who is full of compassion
forgave them their sin and spared them.
So often he held back his anger
when he might have stirred up his rage.

All **Never forget the deeds of the Lord.**

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;
because by your cross you have redeemed the world.

All **Alleluia!**

The Gospel

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you**
✠ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'No one has gone up to heaven
except the one who came down from heaven,
the Son of Man who is in heaven;
and the Son of Man must be lifted up
as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.
Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost
but may have eternal life.
For God sent his Son into the world
not to condemn the world,
but so that through him the world might be saved.'

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

The Homily

The Affirmation of Faith

The Priest asks

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life?
All **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?
All **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?
All **We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.
All **This is our faith.**
We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Prayer of Intercession

The Priest will introduce the intercession

After each petition the leader will say

Lord, hear us.
All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Following the prayers for the departed

✠ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord
And let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

*The leader invites us all to join in a **Prayer for our Parish** (wherever that may be)*

**God our Father,
through your Holy Spirit
you grow your Church
as we proclaim the kingdom of your risen Son.
Bless us with deepening faith
and an increase in our community.
Help us to be a beacon of your love
to everyone we meet.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

We now recall our part in the Communion of the Saints and say

**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.**

The Liturgy Of The Eucharist

The Peace

The Priest introduces the Peace, and then says

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

The Preparation of the Gifts

As gifts of bread and wine are prepared on the altar, the Priest praises God and we respond

Blessed be God for ever.

Incense will be used, as a symbol of the making holy of the gifts and our lives as we worship together, with all our senses, offering all that we have and are to God our Father.

The Priest then invites us to join in the offering of the Eucharist

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.
All **May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

The Priest says the Prayer over the Gifts

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
All **And also with you**

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 him thanks and praise**

The Priest says Preface for the day, at the end of which we say

**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.**

After the words of Jesus in the Last Supper, the Priest says

Great is the mystery of faith:
All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

As the Eucharistic Prayer continues, we recall the death and resurrection of Jesus and plead his sacrifice before the Father. In the Eucharist we are brought as near to the mysteries of our salvation as those who first witnessed them two thousand years ago. The Prayer ends in praise of the Father and we give our acclamation:

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

The Priest invites us to join in the Lord's Prayer

All **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

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread and says

 We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

All **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.**

The Priest invites us to receive a spiritual Communion

 This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins 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.**

and we say together

**My Jesus, I believe that you
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

The Priest and congregation present in the church now receive Communion.

During Communion, the choir will sing a motet and we will sing the following hymn:

**My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.
O, who am I, that for my sake
my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?**

**He came from his blest throne,
salvation to bestow;
but men made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend, my Friend indeed,
who at my need his life did spend!**

**Sometimes they strew his way,
and his sweet praises sing;
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath,
and for his death they thirst and cry.**

**They rise, and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he to suff'ring goes,
that he his foes from thence might free.**

**Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend.**

*Words: Samuel Crossman (1624-83)
Music: John Ireland (1879-1962)*

Prayer after Communion

The Priest says the Prayer after Communion

The Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

.....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 the peace of Christ.
All **Thanks be to God.**

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NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

1. **This afternoon** at 1430, there will be a special **Service of Thanksgiving to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Battle of Britain**, in the presence of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor. (If you've not already booked your seat, unfortunately you're too late, as we've reached our 'COVID capacity'!)
2. **On Tuesday**, at the **Cenotaph in St Helier**, there will be a short Act of Remembrance and wreath-laying to remember those who fell in the Battle of Britain. If you wish to attend, please be in place by 1045.
3. **Next Sunday, 20 September**, Mass will be offered at 0900 and 1030 as usual. The 1030 Mass will also be live-streamed.

Please continue to use the **online booking system** for these Masses. Just visit the website (<http://www.stlukesjersey.com/book-online-to-attend-mass/>) Should you have any difficulties with the booking form, please email the office on office@stlukesjersey.com

4. **Mass will be offered** during the week as follows:

Tuesday at 0800
Wednesday at 1030
Thursday at 0800
Friday at 0800

All will be live-streamed.

5. Have you visited the '**Prayer Resources**' page on our website? Here you will find a variety of aids to daily prayer, which many have found very useful. <https://www.stlukesjersey.com/prayer-resources/>
6. **Requests for Prayer** may be left via our website. Simply click on the appropriate tab, fill-in your request and press 'submit'. Your prayer intentions will be offered at the daily Mass.
7. **Thanks to everyone who supports us with their online giving** using GIVT and Sumup (and of course, to everyone who continues to support us by regular standing order). If you'd like to make a donation, just head to the website: (<http://www.stlukesjersey.com/giving-to-st-lukes/>)

