

St Oswald's Church, Ashbourne

**PARISH
COMMUNION**

during the season of

LENT



*Keeping
a Holy Lent*

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Welcome to our church and to this service of Holy Communion

In the sacrament of Holy Communion, also called the Lord's Supper or Eucharist (meaning "thanksgiving"), Christians hear, taste, touch and receive the grace of God revealed through Jesus Christ in a unique way. It is a joyous act of thanksgiving for all God has done, is doing, and will do for the whole of creation.

All are welcome to join with us.

We pray that you may you find enrichment and love in our worship today.

This church is fitted with an induction loop to assist users of hearing aids: please set your aid to the 'T' setting.

This service booklet is also available in large print: please ask a sidesperson at the back of church if you would like a copy.

Toilets and baby changing facilities can be found in the Church Centre (the building on your right as your entered Church).



The Gathering of the People of God

Notices

*We share any news from the Church family. Please
STAND for our first hymn.*

Opening Hymn

The Greeting

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

All The Lord be with you
 And also with you.

Welcome

Words of welcome and introduction are given.

Prayer of Preparation

Please SIT or KNEEL

All **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.**

The Commandments

Hear the commandments which God has given to his people, and examine your hearts.

I am the Lord your God:
you shall have no other gods but me.
You shall not make for yourself any idol.
You shall not dishonour
the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Honour your father and your mother.
You shall not commit murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbour.
You shall not covet anything
which belongs to your neighbour.

**All Amen. Lord, have mercy upon us
and write all these your laws in our hearts.**

Prayers of Penitence

All Lord God,
wash me thoroughly from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin.

**Make me a clean heart, O God
and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from your presence
and take not your holy spirit from me.**

All	Kyrie eleison	Lord, have mercy
<i>sing</i>	Christe eleison	Christ, have mercy
	Kyrie eleison	Lord, have mercy

Forgiveness

May Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you all your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life.

All **Amen.**

The Collect

Please SIT or KNEEL as the Celebrant introduces a period of silent prayer, followed by the Church's prayer for the week which can be found on your pew sheet.

The Liturgy of the Word

Bible Reading

Please SIT. At the end of the reading:

All This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Please STAND. After the hymn, please remain standing and face the book of the Gospels.

Gospel Reading

When the Gospel is announced the reader says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to N.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**
sing

At the end

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

Sermon

Please SIT for the sermon or other form of teaching which follows. After the sermon, please STAND as we declare the faith we share.

The Creed

All 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 of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and became 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

*Please SIT or KNEEL as we pray for the church the
world, our community, all in need and those who have
died. The response to each prayer is:*

Lord, in your mercy, *or*
hear our prayer.

Lord hear us.
**Lord graciously
hear us.**

and at the end

All Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please STAND. The celebrant proclaims Christ's peace among us, and then says:

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has given us access to his grace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We exchange a sign of peace as appropriate.

Offertory Hymn

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.

Preparation of the Table

Please remain standing as the table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

God of mercy and compassion,
your Word calls us home to faith and love.
accept all we offer you this day;
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

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 thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

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.

And now we give you thanks because you gave us the spirit of discipline, that we may triumph over evil and grow in grace, as we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with heart and mind renewed

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:

All
sing

**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.**

Please STAND, SIT or KNEEL.

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.

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 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

Please SIT or KNEEL.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray together:

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

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

Lamb of God

All **Lamb of God,
sing 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

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy 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.**

We pause for a moment in silence, and then continue:

**All We do not presume
to come to this your Table, O 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 property 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 we may evermore ever dwell in him,
and he in us.
Amen.**

The Celebrant and people receive communion: all are welcome. If you would rather receive a blessing, please bring this service booklet to the altar. During the distribution, anthems and hymns may be sung.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept. The Celebrant says the post-communion prayer to which we respond:

All **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.**

Final Hymn

Please STAND for our final hymn.

The Blessing

Please remain STANDING as the Celebrant asks God's blessing on us

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross,
and follow him;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with us and remain with us always.

All **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

To help you pray:

Lord Jesus Christ, you ate and drank with sinners, for those who are well have no need of a physician
Have mercy on me, a sinner. Amen.

Preserve us, O Lord, while waking and guard us while sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace. Amen

Service of Compline

Jesus said, "when you fast, pour oil on your head and ash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Matthew 6:17-18

Do not cast me away from your presence and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with a willing spirit.

Psalms 51: 11-12