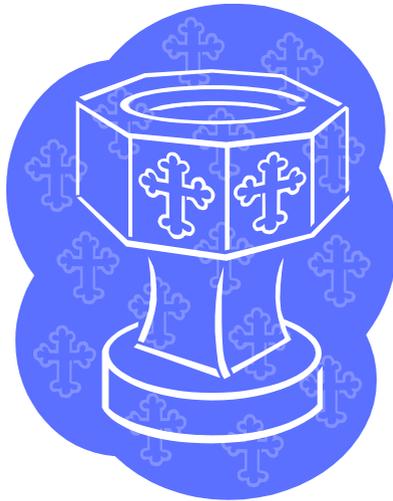


THE STANWICK BENEFICE

The Parishes of
Aldbrough St John,
Forcett, & Melsonby



HOLY COMMUNION

with

BAPTISM

PREPARATION

The Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all **and also with you.**

Hymn

Thanksgiving Prayer

Presentation of the Candidate

The Minister addresses the whole congregation

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling.

People of God, will you welcome *N* and uphold *him/her* in *his/her* new life in Christ?
With the help of God, we will.

The Minister then says to the parents and godparents:

Parents and godparents, the Church receives *N* with joy.

Today we are trusting God for *his/her* growth in faith.

Will you pray for *N*,

draw *him/her* by your example into the community of faith and walk with *him/her* in the way of Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism *N* begins *his/her* journey in faith.

You speak for *him/her* today.

Will you care for *N*,

and help *him/her* to take *his/her* place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

With the help of God, we will.

The Collect *(the special prayer for the day)*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

At the end the reader may say:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

When the Gospel is announced the reader says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Address

Hymn

THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM

The Decision

The Minister addresses the child through his/her parents and godparents

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?

I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil.

Signing with the Cross

The Minister makes the sign of the cross on the child's forehead, saying:
Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.

Parents and godparents may sign the child with the cross. The Minister says:
Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

Amen.

Prayer over the Water

The Minister stands before the water of baptism and says:

Praise God who made heaven and earth,

who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Minister prays a prayer of blessing over the water. At the end we say:

Amen.

Profession of Faith

Let us affirm with *N* our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

I 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?

I believe and trust in him.

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

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Baptism

The Minister pours water on the child saying:

NN, I baptize you

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

Amen.

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

Amen.

Commission

Prayers

The Welcome and Peace

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:

N, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The Minister introduces the Peace

We are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn

During this hymn the collection will be taken.

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

The Minister takes the bread and wine.

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 the Lord.

Amen.

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.

Lord of all life, you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.

You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.

This or another Short Proper Preface is used:

You give us happy times and things to celebrate.

In these we taste your kingdom, a feast for all your children.

You made us all, each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**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.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.

He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of
sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with [N and] all your saints we give you glory,
through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for 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, in earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive them that 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.**

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The Minister and people receive communion or a blessing.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, our beginning and our end, preserve in your people the new life of baptism; as Christ receives us on earth, so may he guide us through the trials of this world and enfold us in the joy of heaven, where you live and reign, one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

Hymn

THE SENDING OUT

The Blessing

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Giving of a Lighted Candle

The Minister gives the child's parents a lighted candle for the child and says:

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

The Dismissal

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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