

St Michael and All Angels Mill Hill



EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday 20th April 2025

10:30 am





The Processional Hymn (NEH 110)

We sing the first verse as the sanctuary party process from the vestry to the font at the back of church.

**Jesus Christ is risen to-day, Alleluya!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluya!
Who did once, upon the Cross, Alleluya!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluya!**

At the end of this verse please turn to face the font at the back of the church

Christ yesterday and today,
All: the beginning and the end,

Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to him,
and all ages;

**All: to him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever. Amen.**

The priest holds up the lit Easter Candle and proclaims:

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ was raised gloriously from the dead, crushing the power of sin and destroying the sting of death. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the mighty power of God as Christ calls us out of darkness to share in his marvellous light. May we, and all Christ's people, shine as lights in the world to the glory of God the Father.

The minister holding the Candle says or sings:

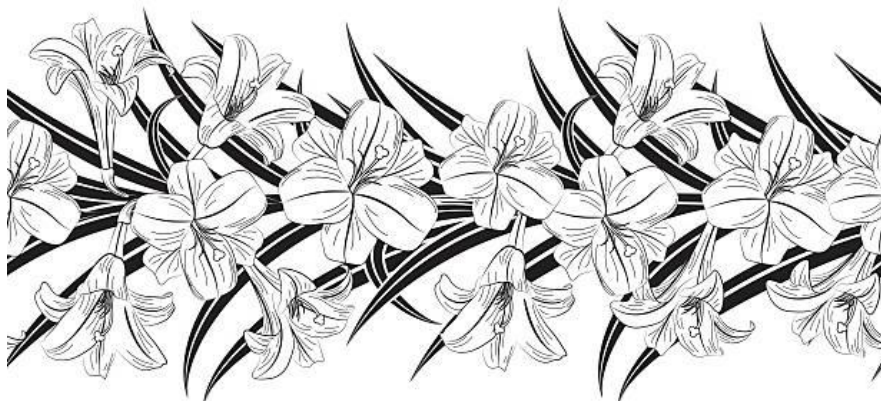
The light of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

We sing the second and third verse of our processional hymn as the Easter Candle leads a procession to the Easter Garden.

**2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluya!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluya!
Who endured the Cross and grave, Alleluya!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluya!**

**3 But the pains that he endured Alleluya!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluya!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluya!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluya!**



Prayers at the Easter Garden

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid;
I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.
He is not here; for he has been raised,
as he said.'

Matthew 28.5,6

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
To you be glory now and for ever.
In your great mercy you have given us a new birth
into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
By your blessing, may we who have prepared this garden
in celebration of his victory
be strengthened in faith,
know the power of his presence,
and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory.
Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Risen Lord Jesus,
as Mary Magdalene met you in the garden
on the morning of your resurrection,
so may we meet you today and every day:
speak to us as you spoke to her;
reveal yourself as the living Lord;
renew our hope and kindle our joy;
and send us to share the good news with others.

All: Amen.

The Penitential Rite

In baptism we died with Christ,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead,
we might walk in newness of life.
Let us receive new life in him
as we confess our sins in penitence and faith
Like Mary at the empty tomb,
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.



Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.
Christ, have mercy.



Like Thomas in the upper room,
we are slow to believe.
Lord, have mercy.



The Lighting of Candles

The minister holding the Candle says or sings

The light of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

*The congregation comes to the minister holding the Easter Candle
and each light their own candle.*

The Easter Acclamation

*Once the congregation's candles have been lit
the following acclamation is said:*

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

All: He has given us new life and hope

By raising Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own:

All: He has made us light to the world.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

All: Amen.



Glor-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his people on
earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al - migh - ty God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you
for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the
Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly
One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

First Reading

Acts 10: 34-43

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.

³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:

³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree;

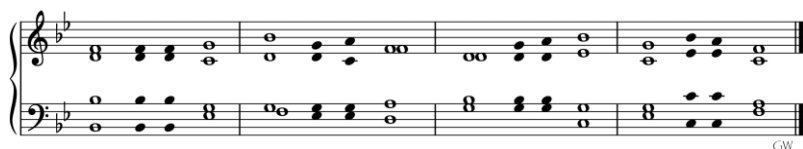
⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118 v.1-2, 14-24



R Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
This is the day the Lord has made.

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord, for ¹ he is ¹ good;
his mercy en'dures for ¹ ever.
- 2 Let Israel ¹ now pro'claim,
'His mercy en'dures for ¹ ever.' **R**
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become ¹ my sal'vation.
- 15 Joyful shouts of salvation
sound from the ¹ tents of · the ¹ righteous:
- 16 'The right hand of the Lord does ¹ mighty ¹ deeds;
the right hand of the Lord raises up;
the right hand of the Lord does ¹ mighty ¹ deeds.' **R**
- 17 I shall not die,
but live and declare the ¹ works of the ¹ Lord.
- 18 The Lord has punished me sorely,
but he has not given me ¹ over to ¹ death.
- 19 Open to me the ¹ gates of ¹ righteousness,
that I may enter and give ¹ thanks to · the ¹ Lord. **R**
- 20 This is the ¹ gate of the ¹ Lord;
the righteous shall ¹ enter ¹ through it.
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and have become ¹ my sal'vation.
- 22 The stone which the builders rejected
has become the ¹ chief cor·ner'stone. **R**
- 23 This is the ¹ Lord's ¹ doing,
and it is marvellous ¹ in our ¹ eyes.
- 24 This is the day that the ¹ Lord has ¹ made;
we will re'joice and · be ¹ glad in it. **R**

Second Reading

I Corinthians 15: 19-26

¹⁹If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²²for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

²³But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power.

²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn (NEH 118)

The Lord is risen indeed!
Now is his work performed;
Now is the mighty Captive freed,
And death's strong castle stormed.

2 The Lord is risen indeed!
Then hell has lost his prey;
With him is risen the ransomed seed
To reign in endless day.

3 The Lord is risen indeed!
He lives, to die no more;
He lives, the sinner's cause to plead,
Whose curse and shame he bore.

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.

John 20: 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb.

⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping?’ She said to them, ‘They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.’

¹⁴When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?’ Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, ‘Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.’ ¹⁶Jesus said to her, ‘Mary!’ She turned and said to him in Hebrew, ‘Rabbouni!’ (which means Teacher).

¹⁷Jesus said to her, ‘Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, “I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”’ ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord’; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ.



The Sermon

Please be seated

The Creed

Please stand

**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 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

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ
let us make our prayer to our heavenly Father.

Lord, in your mercy or Lord, hear us
All: Hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.

Please pray for those who are sick or housebound

We remember by name:

Anil Ameer Subryan, Anna Morison, Arlen, Ashraf Jafari, Fr Barry Wright, Beryl, Catherine Dalgliesh, Chandralakha and Scott Singh, Christine, Christopher Brown, Chris Robins. Colin Izzard, Colin Power, Claire, Clifford Brown, Crystal, Daniel Ejelonu, Daniel Whittard, David Mulloy, Fr David Sharpe, Fr Desmond Tillyer, Devon White, Edd Heimrich, Edna McGregor, Edward, Evelyn Semlyen, Gail Sparrow, Helen Cloke, Janet B, Jenny Wardle, John, Johnny, Jordan, Judi Bryant, Julian, Katherine Barker, Lauren Reeves, Lisa Sweet, Logan, Mark, Mary Akpieyi, Mandy, Mina and Reginald Apiafi, Muriel Doris Bloch, Nicola, Nicole, Pamela Ashcroft, Pavol Husar, Rachel, Rahema Charles, Ray, Rella Persaud, Remi Babatunde, Robert Winston, Saffron Leigh, Sandra, Sarah, Sebastian, Susan and Vanessa Husarov, Susan Paterson, Taiwo Odebode, Thelma Martin, Valerie Snowden, Venita Delpino, Victoria.

We remember those who have recently departed this life:
Kefa Sewagudde Mpundu, Suraj Sodiya and Bipin Dattani.

and all whose anniversaries of death fall at this time:
Olive Mary Allsop, Winifred Harmer and Joy Baines..

May they rest in peace,
All: And rise in glory.

Merciful Father
**All: Accept these prayers for the sake of your son
our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

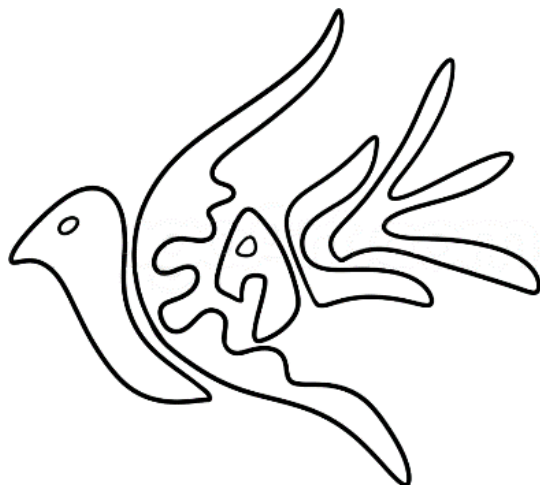
We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All may exchange a sign of peace.



The Offertory Hymn (NEH 104)

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King;
Who hath washed us in the tide
Flowing from his piercè side;
Praise we him whose love divine
Gives the guests his blood for wine,
Gives his body for the feast,
Love the Victim, Love the Priest.

Mighty Victim from on high,
Powers of hell beneath thee lie;
Death is broken in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light.
Now thy banner thou dost wave,
Conquering Satan and the grave.
See the prince of darkness quelled;
Heaven's bright gates are open held.

Paschal triumph, Paschal joy,
Only sin can this destroy;
From sin's death do thou set free,
Souls re-born, dear Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
Father, unto thee we raise.
Risen Lord, all praise to thee,
Ever with the Spirit be.

The Preparation of the Altar

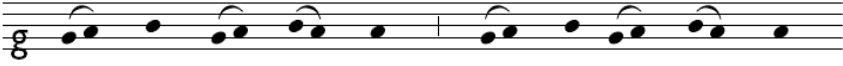
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to offer you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life

All: Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to offer you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God forever.

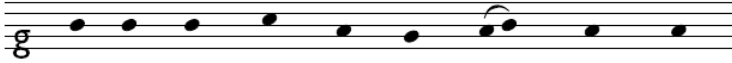
The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you **R.** and al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts. **R.** **We lift them to the Lord.**



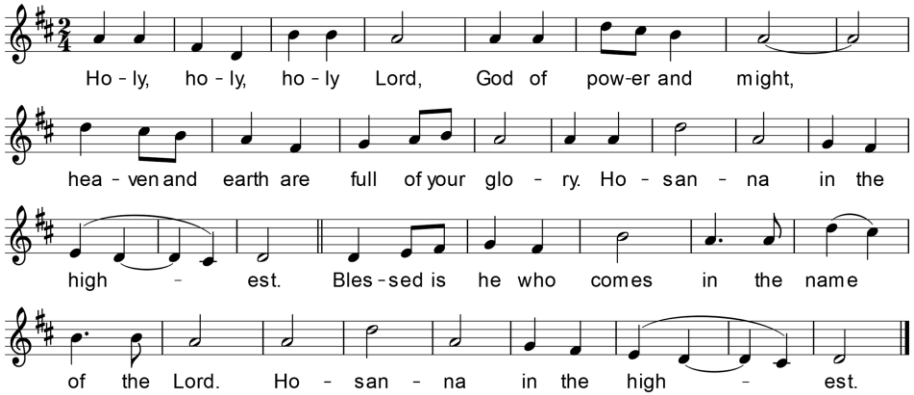
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R. **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
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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:

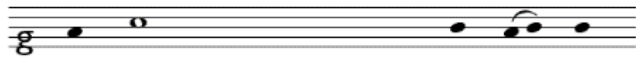


Christ has died. Christ is ri - sen. Christ will come a - gain.

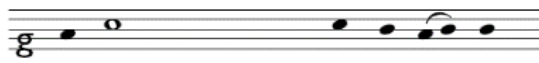
Murray

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.

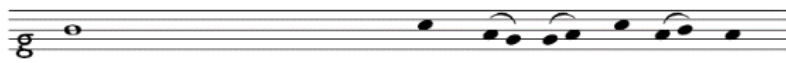
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Michael and all the angels and 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 Ho-ly Spi-rit,



all honour and glory be yours, al-migh-ty Fa-ther,



for ev-er and ev-er. **A - men.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us so we pray:



Our Fa-ther who art in hea-ven, hal-lowed be thy name; thy king-dom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.
And for-give us our tres-pas-ses, as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us.
And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion; but de-li-ver us from e-vil.
For thine is the king-dom, the power and the glo-ry, for e-ver and e-ver. A-men...

The 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, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

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

The Communion

*Communicant members of all Christian Churches are warmly
welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

Any member of the congregation may receive a blessing.

*Those wishing to receive a blessing should please bring this
order of service with them.*

The Communion Hymns (NEH 296)

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluya,
Jesu, true and living Bread!

2 Here our humblest homage pay we;
Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for Faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluya,
Thou art here, we ask not how.

3 Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluya,
We in worship join with them.

4 Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished
Once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluya,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

5 Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluya,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

(NEH 306)

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands
That holy things have taken;
Let ears that now have heard thy songs
To clamour never waken.

Lord, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang
Keep free from all deceiving;
The eyes which saw thy love be bright,
Thy blessed hope perceiving.

The feet that tread thy holy courts
From light do thou not banish;
The bodies by thy Body fed
With thy new life replenish.

The Post Communion Prayer

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

**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.**

Notices



The Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

God the Father,
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

All: Amen.

God the Son,
who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory,
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

All: Amen.

God the Holy Spirit
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

All: Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

The Recessional Hymn (NEH 112)

Jesus lives! Thy terrors now
Can, O Death, no more appal us;
Jesus lives! by this we know
Thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.
Alleluya!

2 Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm our trembling breath,
When we pass its gloomy portal.
Alleluya!

3 Jesus lives! for us he died;
Then, alone to Jesus living,
Pure in heart may we abide,
Glory to our Saviour giving.
Alleluya!

4 Jesus lives! our hearts know well
Nought from us his love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell
Tear us from his keeping ever.
Alleluya!

5 Jesus lives! to him the throne
Over all the world is given;
May we go where he is gone,
Rest and reign with him in heaven.
Alleluya!

The Dismissal

With the risen life of Christ within you,
Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**



Services and events this week

- ***There will be no Be:Loved today and no Morning Prayer or weekday Mass on Zoom this week***
- **Wednesday 23rd April 1:00pm
Community Banquet in the Hartley Hall Green Room**
- **Sunday 27th April – Second Sunday of Easter
8:00am said Mass in the church
10:30am Parish Mass in the church
also streaming on Zoom
6:30pm Be:Loved - a fresh expression of worship
in the Hartley Hall foyer**

Thought for Easter Sunday

Every Sunday is a celebration of Easter Day, the Lord's Day, the eighth day of creation, the first day of the week.

On Easter Day itself there is deeper joy, for *this* is the day the Lord has made, *this* is the day he rose again, and we will rejoice and be glad in it even more than usual.

This is possibly because we have shouted “hosanna” with the crowds, and seen Jesus betrayed and judged and sentenced.

We have walked the way of the Cross and seen him laid in Joseph of Arimathea's unused tomb.

Now he is risen indeed.

Alleluia!





**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE BAPTISED
AND/OR CONFIRMED THIS YEAR?
SAVE THE DATE AND SPEAK TO FATHER STEVEN
TO FIND OUT MORE.**

Sung Eucharist
with
Confirmation

Sunday 9th November 2025

10.30am

**The Rt Revd Dr Anderson Jeremiah
The Bishop of Edmonton
presides, preaches, baptises
and confirms at this service.**