

# The Gathering

*We stand at the entry of the choir and clergy during which a hymn may be sung.  
(Hymn numbers are shown on the hymn boards and in the pew sheet.)*

We meet in the name of God  
who is Father, Son,  
and Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## The Greeting

*The president greets the people.*

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

(or)

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you  
**and also with you.**

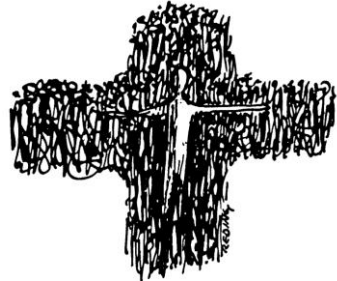
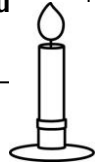
*Words of welcome or introduction may be said.*

## Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

### **CANDLE LIGHTING PRAYER**

**Lord Jesus,  
open our ears to hear you,  
open our mouths to praise you,  
open our hearts to love you  
more and more.  
Amen.**



## Prayers of Penitence

*The deacon invites all to confess their sins in these or similar words.*

*Deacon* Jesus said, 'Before you offer your gift,  
go and be reconciled.'  
As sisters and brothers in God's family,  
we come together to ask our Father for forgiveness.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

(or)

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

## The Absolution

*The president pronounces absolution using these or similar words*

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.**

(or)

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

**Amen.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

*This or an alternative version on the back page of this book may be said or sung.*

**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 Liturgy of the Word**

## The Collect

*The president reads the appropriate prayer for the week.*

*We sit to listen to the readings.*

## The Readings

*At the end of each reading from Holy Scripture.*

*Reader* This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*A psalm may be read*

*We stand to hear the Gospel. A gradual hymn may be sung.*

## Gospel

*We turn to face the Gospel party. The Gospeller may make a Gospel acclamation.*

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

*Gospeller* Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ...  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end of the Gospel reading.*

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

*We sit to listen to the sermon.*



*We stand to affirm the faith of the church. (This may be omitted on weekdays.)*

The Creed

*Deacon* Let us confess our faith in the words of 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.**

*We sit or kneel to pray.*

### Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray for the church and for the world  
and let us thank God for his loving kindness to us all.  
Let us pray.

*We are invited to respond to each petition in these or other similar words.*

Lord in your mercy (or) Lord, hear us  
**Hear our prayer** Lord, graciously hear us

*At the end of the prayers we say...*

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



## ***The Liturgy of the Sacrament***

*We stand as the president introduces the peace with these or similar words.*

### 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  
**and also with you.**



*Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We share a handshake with those around us saying 'Peace be with you'.*

*An Offertory Hymn may be sung.*

### Preparation of the Table

*The bread and wine for communion are offered with these or similar words.*

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

**Blessed be God for ever.**

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

**Blessed be God for ever.**

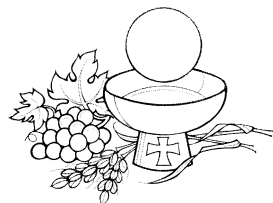
This is the table not of the church, but of the Lord.  
It is to be made ready for those who love him  
and who want to love him more.  
So come, you who have much faith  
and you who have little.  
You who have been here often  
and you who have not been for a long time.  
You who have tried to follow and you who have failed.  
Come, not because I invite you; it is our Lord.  
It is His will that those who want him should meet him here.

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you (or) The Lord is here.  
**and also with you. His Spirit is with us.**

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.**



*If an Extended Preface is used, it replaces all words between here and 'Holy, holy, holy Lord...'*

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
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.

*Short Proper Preface, when appropriate.*

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*:

**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.

*Deacon* Great is the mystery of faith:  
**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 our Lady  
the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
St George [N] and 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.**

*We kneel to say the Lord's Prayer.*

### The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for 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

**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,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

(or)

**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

Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you,  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts  
by faith with thanksgiving.

(or)

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 prayer of humble access

**We do not presume  
to come to this your table, 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 nature 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 our sinful bodies may be made clean  
by his body, and our souls washed  
through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him,  
and he in us.  
Amen.**

***All are welcome at the altar.*** *If for any reason you feel unable to receive the blessed bread and wine at the time of communion, please do still come forward to receive a sign of God's blessing – simply bow your head and keep your hands lowered.*



### Prayer after Communion

*The president reads the appropriate prayer for the week.*

### The Post-Communion Prayer

**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.**

(or)

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*When Junior Church meet, the children are invited to give feedback after which this prayer may be said by all.*

**Lord Jesus, we thank you for the children and young people of this parish family. Bless and guide all those who encourage them on their journey of faith, today and always. Amen**

*The notices and any banns of marriage are read.*