



Holy Communion St James' Bourton.

Prayer of Preparation

[Marks a time of stillness before the beginning of the service]

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.**

HYMN

The Gathering

The president may say

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

All **Amen.**

The president greets the people

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession *[Please sit or kneel]*

A minister uses a seasonal invitation to confession or these or other suitable words.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All **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 president gives the absolution

All **Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

The Collect *[Please sit or kneel]*

The president introduces a period of silent prayer.

The Collect is said.

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Lesson

Hymn or Responsorial Psalm *[See sheet]*

Gospel Reading *[Please stand]*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life,

the one for whom we exist?

All **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for rose and us 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.

Prayers of Intercession *[Please sit or kneel]*

This or other seasonal responses may be used.

Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

And at the end

Merciful Father,

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace *[Please stand]*

The president may introduce the Peace

The Peace of the Lord be Always with you

All **and also with you.**

The congregation may exchange the sign of peace.

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Preparation of the Table

[The bread and wine are brought to the altar]

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 thanks and praise.**

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 *saying*:

All **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.

All **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 [*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.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **Our Father, which 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.

All **Though we are many, we are one body, because we
all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

All **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.**

Giving of Communion

The president says the 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.

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

Prayer of humble access

[Said privately before receiving communion]

*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.*

Post Communion Prayer [*See Sunday Sheet*]

Silence is kept.

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.**

The Dismissal

Blessing

+ The president gives the blessing

All **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

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