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Order of Mass & Newsletter

Sunday 13th June 2021 Second Sunday after Trinity

Please take this booklet home with you or place it in the recycling bin as you leave church.

WELCOME TO THIS MASS

This booklet contains all you will need to follow today's Mass.

Everyone is encouraged to join in the text in **bold**.

If you normally receive Holy Communion you are welcome to do so this morning. If you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer at Communion, please indicate this to one of the stewards before the service.

You can support the parish financially as you leave church using the contactless machine. A basket is available if you are only able to use cash. Our preferred way of giving is by Direct Debit. We use the Church of England's Parish Giving Scheme to manage our donations and Gift Aid. If you would like more information please contact our Treasurer David Law.

Our Covid-19 precautions

The precautions we have taken in our churches will remain in place for the time being. Please continue to:

- Wear face coverings (unless you are exempt)
- Sanitise your hands on entering and leaving church and before receiving Holy Communion
 - Provide your name and contact details on arrival, or log in using the NHS-Covid-19 app
 - Maintain social distancing

We have rearranged pews and seats in the Parish Church a little, seeking to maximise the space available as numbers at Mass increase. Please work with our stewards to optimise the use of the space available.

One positive change is the opportunity to mingle outside of church after Mass, in numbers up to thirty. Please do take advantage of this opportunity to meet and greet each other, but resist the temptation to mingle in church. And, of course, please avoid blocking pathways in the churchyards.

Please stand when the bell is rung

Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

All Amen.

The Lord be with you All and also with you.

The celebrant welcomes the congregation

Prayers of Penitence

Brothers and sisters, Let us acknowledge our sins, And so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you, and against our neighbour, in thought, and word, and deed, through negligence, through weakness, though 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.

Lord, have mercy or Kyrie, eleison Kyrie, eleison Kyrie, eleison

Christ, have mercy Christe, eleison Christ, have mercy Christe, eleison

Lord, have mercy Lord, have mercy

Kyrie, eleison Kyrie, eleison

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Gloria

All 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 sins 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 Collect

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Readings

Sit

First Reading: Ezekiel 17.22-end

A reading from the book of Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord God:

I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;

in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind.

All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord.

I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish.

I the Lord have spoken;

I will accomplish it.

At the end the reader says
This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 92.1-8

R/ It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praises to your name, O Most High; To tell of your love early in the morning and of your faithfulness in the night-time,

Upon the ten-stringed instrument, upon the harp, and to the melody of the lyre. R/

For you, Lord, have made me glad by your acts, and I sing aloud at the works of your hands.

O Lord, how glorious are your works! Your thoughts are very deep. *R*/

R/ It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord

The senseless do not know, nor do fools understand,

That though the wicked sprout like grass and all the workers of iniquity flourish,

It is only to be destroyed for ever; but you, O Lord, shall be exalted for evermore. R/

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5.6-10, 14-17

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

At the end the reader says
This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Stand

An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.

All Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Mark 4.26-34

When the Gospel is announced, the deacon says

The Lord be with you All and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

At the end the deacon says
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit Sermon

Stand
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,
Bow [until 'and was made man']
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.

Kneel or sit

Prayers of Intercession

This response is 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

Stand

The Peace

Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

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

The altar is prepared and the celebrant invites the people to pray

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

O God, who in the offerings presented here provide for the twofold needs of human nature, nourishing us with food and renewing us with your Sacrament, grant, we pray, that the sustenance they provide may not fail us in body or in spirit. Through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The celebrant praises God for his mighty acts and all respond by 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.

The celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The prayer continues leading to the doxology 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

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

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.

Agnus Dei

All Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

> Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

> Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Behold 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.

Holy Communion is administered. If you normally receive Holy Communion then you are welcome to do so today. If you would prefer to come forward for a blessing then please bring this order of service with you to indicate to the priest your intention.

Please wait until you are called forward by a steward and remember to sanitise your hands before receiving Holy Communion.

Communion Antiphon

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Prayer after Communion

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Any notices are given.

The Dismissal

Stand

The Lord be with you All and also with you.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty,

★ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Organ voluntary: Con Moto Maestoso from Sonata No 3 in A Major (Felix Mendelssohn)

Please remember to clean your pew or seat. Wipes are available from the stewards if you didn't bring any.

Please leave church beginning from the rear of the building, one pew at a time. (At the 10.30am Mass only, please use both doors).

You are very welcome to meet and greet people outside, in numbers up to thirty, but please do not mingle in church.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday 14 June – Richard Baxter 9.30am Mass (Parish Church) 10.45am Julian Prayer (via Zoom)

Tuesday 15 June – Evelyn Underhill 7pm Mass (Holy Trinity)

Wednesday 16 June – Bishop Richard, Bishop Joseph Butler 9.30am Mass (Parish Church) 11.00am Funeral (Parish Church) – Anne Woods RIP 8.00pm Eucharistic Exposition (Parish Church)

Thursday 17 June – Samuel & Henrietta Barnett 9.30am Mass (Parish Church)

Friday 18 June – Bernard Mizeki 12noon Mass (Parish Church)

Saturday 19 June – Sadhu Sundar Singh 5pm Vigil Mass (Holy Trinity)

SUNDAY 13 June – 2nd Sunday after Trinity

8am Mass (Parish Church) 9.15 Mass (Holy Trinity) 10.30 Mass (Parish Church with live-streaming)

Morning Prayer: Monday - Saturday at 9am (Parish Church)

Evening Prayer is said privately.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession) is arranged by appointment.

Next Sunday's Readings:
Job 38.1-11
Psalm 107
2 Corinthians 6.1-13
Mark 4.35-41

NOTICES

This Newsletter

Items for inclusion should be sent to the Parish Administrator, Pamela Allen, by 9am on Thursdays. She may be contacted by email or by telephone: 01235 764533.

Fr Benji's Ordination and First Mass

Fr Benji will be ordained by the Bishop of Dorchester on Sunday 27th June at 10.30am at Dorchester Abbey. Unfortunately parishioners are not permitted to attend due to restricted numbers, however, the service will probably be livestreamed on the Diocesan website www.oxford.anglican.org.

It is our intention to cancel the 9.15am and 10.30am Masses that day and join together at 5pm at the Parish Church for Fr Benji's First Mass. The Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass and the 8am Mass will proceed as normal for anyone unable to attend on Sunday afternoon. This service is planned in accordance with projected government guidelines, and it is hoped that social distancing will be unrestricted. If guidelines change, we will communicate these via email to those who have booked and on the church website.

After the First Mass a reception will be held (weather-permitting) at Priors Hold, 10 Priory Road, by kind invitation of Alastair & Sue Hunter. Booking is required for both the Mass and reception via the parish website:

www.wantageparish.com/news.html.

If you do not have internet access you may book by phoning the Parish Office on 01235 764533 on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9am and 5pm (or leave a voicemail message). RSVP by 22nd June.

Fr Benji is commissioning a chasuble to match his ordination stole and you are invited to contribute towards the cost as a gift to him on this important occasion. Donations are preferably made by Bank Transfer (Parochial Church Council of Wantage, sort code 20-90-91, Account number 60696595) or else by cash in the specified basket in both churches.

We want to ensure that Fr Benji's family, friends and parishioners are well catered for, and so we are asking for donations of homemade cakes to serve at the reception following his first Mass. If you feel you could help with this please contact Jane Haine on 01235 763157 (jane.haine@googlemail.com) or Benita Mould on 01235 764125 (ormond19@gmail.com). Thank you.

Children & Families Worker

We are advertising for a part-time Children & Families Worker to help us deliver our vision to see children and families at the heart of the parish. This is a very exciting development in the life of the parish. Please do pray for potential candidates. To find out more, please see the News page of our website for details.

9.15am Mass

Numbers will be limited to twenty (20) individuals at Holy Trinity due to social distancing requirements. Booking is ESSENTIAL and will be via the Parish Office. If you wish to attend you should contact the Parish Administrator, Pamela Allen, by email or telephone (764533) by 3pm on the preceding Thursday.

Live-streaming Mass

The 10.30am Mass will be live-streamed on our Facebook page. We are currently committed to providing this until 20th June and thank all our live-streaming volunteers who are facilitating this service.

Open the Book

Just before half term, the *Open the Book* team were busy feeding the 5000, assisted by a very tiny person, the youngest of our storytellers so far. The video is shared with her parents' permission. To watch Jesus's Picnic, click on the <u>link</u> in the e-newsletter. If you would like to find out more about Open the Book, or are inspired to join the team, please contact Jan Patten or Sue Hunter via the Parish Office.

Little People

Does anyone have a cot in good condition? Not a cot-bed, please, and no mattress required. Cot dimensions are 60cm x 120cm. If you can help, please contact Jacky: jackymattam@btinternet.com

Anne Woods' Funeral

Anne's funeral will take place on Wednesday 16th June, 11am, at the Parish Church. Attendance will be limited to 50 people so if you would like be present please contact Fr Philip in advance.

Prayer (for inclusion please contact the Parish Administrator) Janice, John, Sarah, Cohen, Howard, Michael.

RIP

Carol Webb, Anne Woods

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