

# Holy Communion | 17 April 2022 | Easter Day 8.30 am

## Introduction

*The priest stands at the Communion Table*

Christ is risen **He is risen indeed, Alleluia.**

## The Collect for Purity *The congregation kneeling*

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts be open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid;  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Commandments

... On these two Commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

## The Collect of Easter Day

### The Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

The Epistle is written in the fifteenth chapter of the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians beginning at the nineteenth verse

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

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Here endeth the epistle.

### The Gospel John 20:1–18

The Holy Gospel is written in the twentieth chapter of the Gospel according to St John beginning at the first verse.

#### **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and

looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped round Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

They asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying?'

'They have taken my Lord away,' she said, 'and I don't know where they have put him.' At this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

He asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?'

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.'

Jesus said to her, 'Mary.'

She turned towards him and cried out in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!' (which means 'Teacher').

Jesus said, 'Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."'

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: 'I have seen the Lord!' And she told them that he had said these things to her.

**Thanks be to thee, O Lord**

## **The Nicene Creed**

**I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,  
Very God of very God,  
Begotten, not made,  
Being of one substance with the Father;  
By whom all things were made:  
Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was  
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,  
And was made man,  
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried,  
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And  
ascended into heaven,**

**And sitteth on the right hand of the Father.  
And he shall come again with glory  
to judge both the quick and the dead:  
Whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
The Lord, and Giver of life,  
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,  
Who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshipped and glorified,  
Who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church.  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.  
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead,  
And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Sermon**

**The Prayer for the Church militant here on earth**

**Introduction to Penitence**

**Confession and Absolution**

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Maker of all things, Judge of all men;  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,  
Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed,  
By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty,  
Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.  
We do earnestly repent,  
And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
The remembrance of them is grievous unto us;  
The burden of them is intolerable.  
Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past;  
And grant that we may ever hereafter  
Serve and please thee In newness of life,  
To the honour and glory of thy Name;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Comfortable Words**

**Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.  
Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do.  
. . Therefore with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven,  
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,  
**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory:  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.****

## **Prayer of Humble Access**

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in thy manifold and great mercies.  
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.  
But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy:  
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of thy 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.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

**We come to the Table**

**Prayers**

### **Gloria in Excelsis**

**Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

### **Notice**

Thank you for placing your dedication to the worship of Almighty God.  
Let us pray for one another that the hope made plain on that first  
Easter Morning, is one we are able to share with all whom we meet.  
Our Next Celebration of Holy Communion is on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am