

Anglican Parish of

St John the Evangelist Dee Why

Easter Sunday



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Entrance Hymn (NEH 117) ELLACOMBE

- THE day of Resurrection!
 Earth, tell it out abroad;
 The Passover of gladness,
 The Passover of God!
 From death to life eternal,
 From earth unto the sky,
 Our Christ hath brought us over
 With hymns of victory.
- 2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
 That we may see aright
 The Lord in rays eternal
 Of resurrection-light;
 And listening to his accents,
 May hear so calm and plain
 His own 'All hail', and, hearing,
 May raise the victor strain.
- 3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
 And earth her song begin,
 The round world keep high triumph,
 And all that is therein;
 Let all things seen and unseen
 Their notes of gladness blend,
 For Christ the Lord hath risen,
 Our joy that hath no end.

Greek, St John of Damascus c 750 *Tr* J. M. Neale 1816–66

INTRODUCTORY RITES

These acts of prayer and penitence prepare us as a worshipping community to hear God's Word, to offer the Holy Sacrifice, and to receive Jesus in Holy Communion.

₹ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Priest may introduce the Liturgy.

PENITENTIAL RITE

This prayer of preparation may be said.

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.

The Deacon invites the people to recall their sins, then there is a short silence for reflection.

REMAIN STANDING

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest pronounces the Absolution.

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

This ancient hymn of praise is sung:

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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 OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray.

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The proclamation of God's Word is always centred on Christ. Old Testament writings prepare the way for him; New Testament books speak of him directly. All Scripture calls us to believe afresh and respond in our lives.

THE FIRST READING

SIT

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 10: 34, 37–43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117: 1–2, 16–17, 22–23. R. v. 24

R: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
 Let the sons of Israel say:
 'His love has no end.'
- This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.
- The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.
 I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds.
- This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.
- The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
- R: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

THE SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Colossians. *Col. 3: 1–4*

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Easter Sequence STAND

O flock of Christ, your homage bring
To Christ the lamb, your glorious king.
His Easter praise in triumph sing!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

- Peace has come down from God on high.
 The King of Peace in death did lie.
 To save the sheep the lamb did die.
- Never on earth was stranger sight:

 Life fought with death in darkest night,

 Yet lives to reign in endless light.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

- What saw you, Mary, on your way?
 'I saw the tomb where Life once lay,
 whose glory shone this Easter Day!
- Angels their joyful tidings spread!
 Grave-clothes I saw where none lay dead, the cloth that once had veiled his head!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 6 Christ is my hope, who rose for me! Soon will you all his glory see! Christ bids you go to Galilee!'
- 7 Christ has indeed aris'n again as Lord of life, to rule all men! On us have mercy, Lord! Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia!! Alleluia!

leading straight into:

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

Christ has become our paschal Sacrifice: let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. *Jn* 20: 1−9 **★ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY SIT

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Celebrant: As we celebrate again the raising of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, and so join ourselves to the triumph of life over death, let us remember that in our Baptism we were united to him both in his death and resurrection. Now that we have completed our observance of Lent, let us affirm the promises of the new and risen life which were then made.

The celebrant and people shall reaffirm their baptismal promises. Lighted candles may be held by all.

The celebrant shall say:

Do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins? I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil? **I renounce evil.**

Celebrant: And now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which you were baptised, and in which you live and grow.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world? **I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son, Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe in the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting?

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all those who have been baptised in your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Priest may sprinkle the people with holy water as a reminder of their baptism.

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

STAND

As a priestly people we pray together for needs of the Church and the world.

or

After each petition:

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We prepare to participate in the Eucharist meal by expressing the unity we have with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We are the Body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

[Let us offer each other the sign of peace.]

All exchange the greeting of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

Offertory Hymn (NEH 120) MACCABAEUS

A toi la gloire, O Ressuscité

THINE be the glory, risen, conquering Son, Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won; Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

- 2 Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, For her Lord now liveth, death hast lost its sting:
- No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life; Life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife, Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

French, Edmond Budry 1854–1932 *Tr* Richard Hoyle 1875–1939

During the Hymn the Priest receives the gifts. He offers the bread and wine to God.

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

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.

The Priest then says the Prayer over the Gifts. All respond: **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

In this prayer we give thanks to God for all he has done for us in Christ; by the Power of the Holy Spirit, the bread and wine become for us the Body and Blood of Christ; and we offer ourselves with Christ to the Father.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Priest continues with the Preface, after which all say:

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.

KNEEL

The Priest continues with the Prayer of Consecration.

After the Words of Institution, when he has replaced the chalice on the altar and genuflected, the Priest says:

The mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer with these words:

... in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

We make our final preparation to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer.

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Deliver, us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

As he begins to break the Bread, the Priest says:

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one Bread.

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 your peace.

The Priest then invites the people to Communion:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Those who are to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing come forward.

CONCLUDING RITE

STAND

The Priest says the Post-Communion prayer, after which all join in saying:

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Priest gives the blessing and all respond: **Amen.**

Go in peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia! Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

Final Hymn (NEH 110) EASTER HYMN

- 1 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!
- 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!

Lyra Davidica 1708

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