

# The Parish Church of St. Giles with St Mary's, Pontefract



Services for The Season of Easter

# Welcome

We welcome you to this celebration of Mass  
during The Season of Easter.

People of all denominations who are in good standing with their own  
church are welcome to come and receive communion.

Please let clergy or a churchwarden know at the beginning of the  
service if you need a gluten-free host.

Before the liturgy begins a period of quiet reflection is kept  
during which you may wish to use the 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**

# The Gathering

Before the Liturgy begins a period of quiet reflection is kept.

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

**Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

# The Greeting

The President greets the People

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

# Prayers of Penitence

## Invitation to Confession

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

*Of 1 Corinthians 5.7,8*

**God of mercy,  
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.  
We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done,  
and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.  
For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,  
forgive us for all that is past,  
and help us to live each day  
in the light of Christ our Lord.  
Amen**

The President says

May God who loved the world so much  
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour  
forgive you your sins  
and make you holy to serve him in the world,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



## Gloria in Excelsis

**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 Collect

*The Collect of the day is said*

**Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the World

*At the end the Reader says*

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

## Psalm

## Gospel Reading

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

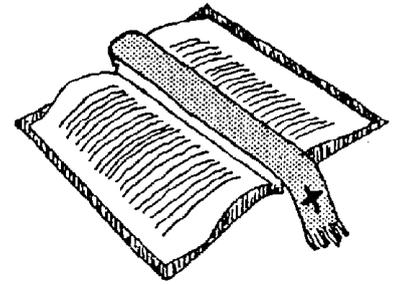
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according  
to *N*.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end the response is said*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**



## Sermon

## Prayers of Intercession

*This response is used*

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

*And at the end*

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*The President introduces The Peace, and then says:*

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace*

## Preparation of the Altar

## Taking of the Bread and Wine



Blessed be God,  
by whose grace creation is renewed,  
by whose love heaven is opened,  
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Pray, my brothers and sisters  
that this 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 church.**

## The Eucharist Prayer

The Lord is here.

**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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter  
to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your son our Lord.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.**

**You are the Saviour of the world.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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.**

# Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the consecrated bread

Jesus says, I am the bread of life,  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

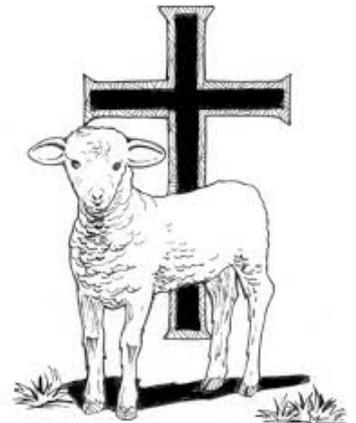
**Lord, our hearts hunger for you;  
give us this bread always.**

# 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.**



# Giving of Communion

The President says the invitation to Communion

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The President and People receive Communion.

# Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept

**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.**

## The Blessing and Dismissal

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

The President gives the Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Clergy and People depart.





## Our services take place at:

### St Giles'

Sunday: Said Mass – 8.00am every 1st Sunday in the month  
Parish Eucharist – 10.15am every Sunday  
Evensong – 6.30pm 1st Sunday in the month (except for August)

Wednesday: Mass at 9.30am

Friday: Mass at 12.00noon

Sunday: Mass with hymns – 9.00am every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

Morning Worship with hymns – 9.00am every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month

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