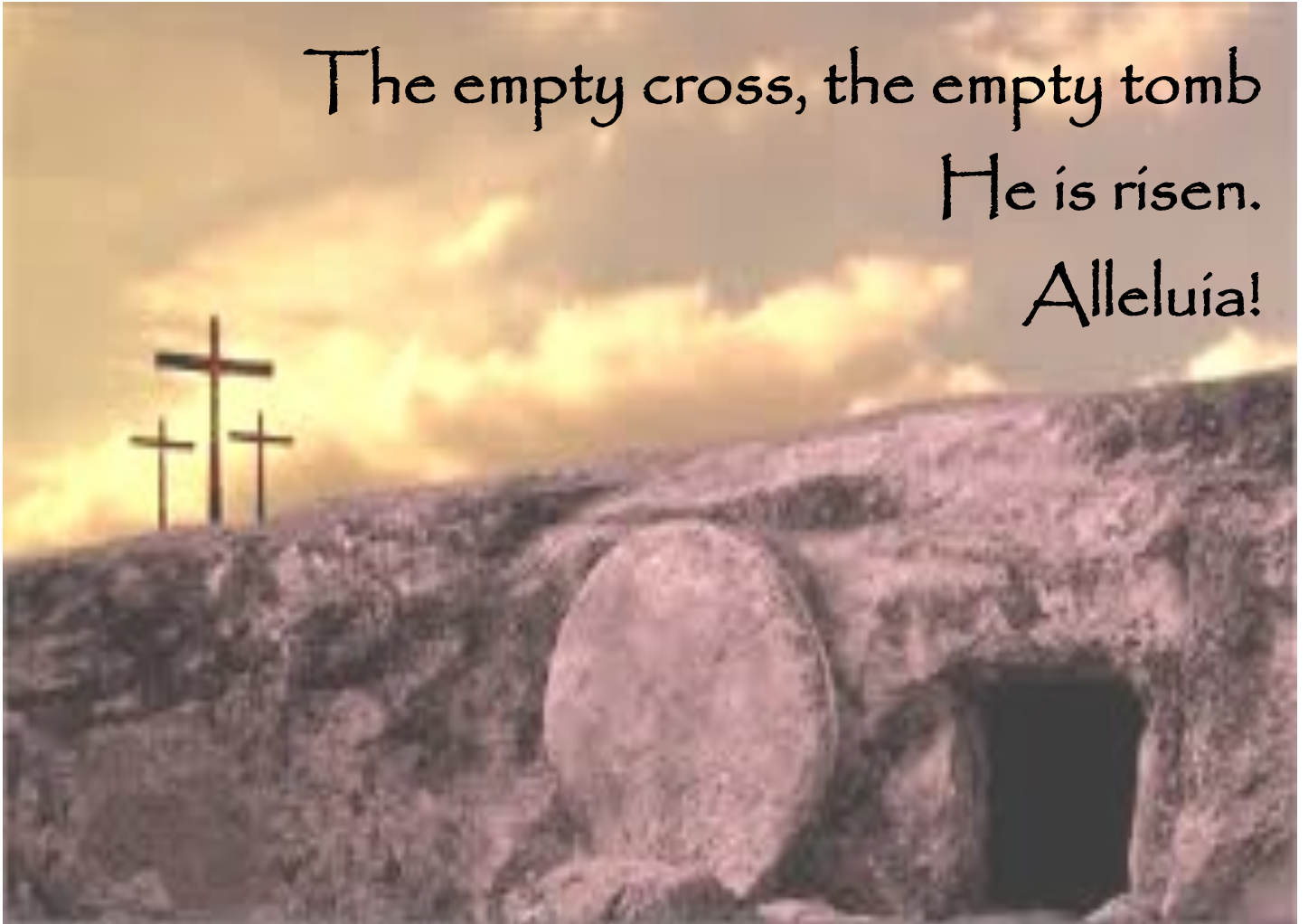


# The Parish Church of St Giles with St Mary's, Pontefract

The empty cross, the empty tomb  
He is risen.  
Alleluia!



BCP Easter Day Said Holy Communion  
April 4th 8.00 a.m.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP- helping to keep each other safe.

- **FACE MASKS** – must be worn unless you are exempt
- **TEST AND TRACE** – Please give your details to the sidesperson or use the NHS 'Test and Trace' app
- **HAND HYGIENE** – Please sanitise on entry and exit and before receiving communion
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING** – The 2 metres rule to be followed, or if not possible 1 metre plus with mitigations
- **SEATING ARRANGEMENTS** – You will be seated in appropriate seats by the sidespeople
- **SERVICE SHEETS** – Please take home with you
- **RECEIVING COMMUNION** – The sidespeople will direct you. Please sanitise your hands as directed. When you reach the priest, please remove your mask and stretch out your hands.
- **AT THE END OF THE SERVICE** - Please remain in your seat until a steward asks you to leave, and then please go directly to the designated exit as guided by them. Mingling amongst groups is not permitted by law indoors and outdoors. The rule of six applies.
- **FOOD AND DRINK** – sadly, there can be no refreshments available after the service.
- **LIGHTING OF CANDLES** – can be done after the service.
- **TOILETS** -Toilet facilities are available, but only one person will be able to enter the toilet area at a time to ensure social distancing.
- **TITHES AND OFFERINGS** – please place onto the plate near the exit door.

# The Lord's Prayer

*We kneel as the bell is rung and the president enters.*

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.

**Amen.**

# Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God,  
unto whom hearts be open,  
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

*The priest reads either the Ten Commandments or the Summary of the Law*

God spake these words, and said; I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my commandments.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt do no murder.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not steal.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

*or*

## The Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord;  
and thou shalt love the Lord thy God  
with thy heart, and with thy soul,  
and with thy mind, and with thy strength.

This is the first commandment.

And the second is like, namely this:

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

There is none other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang the law  
and the prophets.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,  
and write both these thy laws in our hearts,  
we beseech thee.**

# Collect for the Sovereign

*The president says*

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose kingdom is ever-lasting, and power infinite:  
Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of thy chosen servant ELIZABETH, our Queen and Governor, that she (knowing whose minister she is) may above things seek thy honour and glory: and that we and her subjects (duly considering whose authority she hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey her, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end.

**Amen.**

*or*

Almighty and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of Kings are in thy rule and governance, and that thou dost dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to thy godly wisdom: We humbly beseech thee so to dispose and govern the heart of ELIZABETH thy servant, our Queen and Governor, that in her thoughts, words, and works, she may ever seek thy honour and glory, and study to preserve thy people committed to her charge, in wealth, peace and godliness: Grant this,  
O merciful Father, for thy dear Son's sake, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

# The Collect

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept*

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

**Amen.**

*We sit.*

# Epistle

Colossians 3.1-7

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: for which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: in the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

*At the end*

Here endeth the Epistle.

# Gospel Reading

*We stand.*

*When the Gospel is announced*

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

St. John 20.1-10

THE first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalen early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together; and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre; and he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie; and the napkin that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

*The Gospel concludes*

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## Homily



# The Creed

**I believe in one God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
And of things visible and invisible:**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
Begotten of his Father before worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God,  
Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father,  
By whom things were made:  
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost 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 Ghost,  
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 Catholick and Apostolick 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.**

# Offertory

*We sit. One of the following or another sentence of Scripture is used*

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Matthew 5.16

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth; where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven; where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal.

Matthew 6.19

All things come of thee, and of thine own do we give thee.

1 Chronicles 29.14

Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

1 John 3.17

# Prayers of Intercession

*We kneel. Brief biddings may be given; then the president says*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for men:

We humbly beseech thee most mercifully [to accept our alms and oblations, and] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant, that they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy servant ELIZABETH our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: and grant unto her whole Council, and to that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: And to thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

**Amen.**

# Invitation to Confession

*The president says*

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins,  
and are in love and charity with your neighbours,  
and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God,  
and walking from henceforth in his holy ways:  
Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort;  
and make your humble confession to Almighty God,  
meekly kneeling upon your knees.

## Confession

**Almighty God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
Maker of things, Judge of 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 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.**

# Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to them  
that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him;  
Have mercy upon you;  
pardon and deliver you from your sins;  
confirm and strengthen you in goodness;  
and bring you to everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## The Comfortable Words

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto those that truly  
turn to him.

Come unto me that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

*St. Matthew 11.28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that  
that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

*St. John 3.16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of men to be received, that Christ Jesus  
came into the world to save sinners.

*1 St. Timothy 1.15*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the  
righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

*1 St. John 2.1*

# Preface

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.**

*The president and people praise God for his goodness.*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,  
that we should at times, and in places,  
give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father,  
Almighty, Everlasting God.

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise thee  
for the glorious Resurrection  
of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord:  
for he is the very Paschal Lamb,  
which was offered for us,  
and hath taken away the sin of the world;  
who by his death hath destroyed death,  
and by his rising to life again  
hath restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels,  
and with 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.**

## Prayer of Consecration

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ  
to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption;  
who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered)  
a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction,  
for the sins of the whole world;  
and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of that his precious death,  
until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee;  
and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according  
to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,  
in remembrance of his death and passion,  
may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood:

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread;  
and, when he had given thanks,  
he brake 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.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup;  
and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,  
Drink ye of this;  
For this is my Blood of the New Testament,  
which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins:  
Do this, as oft as ye shdrink it, in remembrance of me.

**Amen.**

## Giving of Communion

*The president and people receive Communion.*

The body of Christ broken for you. **Amen.**

*We welcome communicant members of Christian denominations to receive Communion.*

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say

**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.**



*The president says either the Prayer of Oblation or the Prayer of Thanksgiving.*

## Prayer of Oblation

O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

**Amen.**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father,

so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, world without end.

**Amen.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

*We stand.*

*The Gloria may be omitted on weekdays and in Advent and Lent.*

**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 Ghost, art most high**

**in the glory of God the Father.**

**Amen.**

# The Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost,  
be amongst you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

*The president and departs.*



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