

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



All Saints Day
31st October 2021, 10.15 a.m.

Welcome

We welcome you to this celebration of Parish Mass for All Saints' Day.

The setting for today's Mass is -
Addington and Nardone - Kilcreggan Mass

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

If you wish to receive a blessing, please come to the altar carrying this order of service.

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

5 minutes before the service begins,
a bell will ring to signal that 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**

A bell is rung to begin our worship.

No Christian is solitary. Through baptism we become members one of another in Christ, members of a company of saints whose mutual belonging transcends death:

One family, we dwell in him,
one Church, above, beneath;
though now divided by the stream,
the narrow stream of death.

(Charles Wesley)

All Saints' Day and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on All Souls' Day both celebrate this mutual belonging. All Saints' Day celebrates men and women in whose lives the Church as a whole has seen the grace of God powerfully at work. It is an opportunity to give thanks for that grace, and for the wonderful ends to which it shapes a human life; it is a time to be encouraged by the example of the saints and to recall that sanctity may grow in the ordinary circumstances, as well as the extraordinary crises, of human living.

The Gathering

Hymn (197)

**For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
who Thee by faith before the world confest,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them the victor's crown of gold.**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on His way.**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

W. Walsham How (1823-1897),
Bishop of Wakefield (1889-97)

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

Amen.



The Greeting

The president greets the people

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord!
Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose victory the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

Invitation to confession

Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love
with all the saints in earth and heaven.
Knowing our unworthiness and sin,
let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

Prayer of Penitence

**Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus 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 - Addington

*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 for the feast of All Saints.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Revelation 21.1-6

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Alleluia

Gospel Reading

John 11.32-44

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

United in the company of all the faithful
and looking for the coming of the kingdom,
let us offer our prayers to God,
the source of all life and holiness.

Merciful Lord,
strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit,
that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation
to the praise of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Bless N our bishop and all ministers of your Church,
that by faithful proclamation of your word
we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets
into a holy temple in the Lord.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Empower us by the gift of your holy and life-giving Spirit,
that we may be transformed into the likeness of Christ
from glory to glory.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Give to the world and its peoples
the peace that comes from above,
that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the
service of the poor and needy;
all who minister to the sick and dying;

and all who bring light to those in darkness.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred by sin
or disfigured by pain,

that, raised from death to life in Christ,
their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Remember in your mercy all those gone before us
who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity;

preserve in your faith your servants on earth,
guide us to your kingdom

and grant us your peace at all times.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

Hasten the day when many will come
from east and west, from north and south,
and sit at table in your kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks

for the whole company of your saints in glory,

with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises;

by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love.

**Blessing and glory and wisdom,
thanksgiving and honour and power,
be to our God for ever and ever.**

Amen.

We pray for those for whom prayers have been requested:

Cynthia; Steph; Dawn; Jonathan; Christine; Brenda; Dianne; Steven; Dave; Terry, Ian; Morag; Ali; Barbara; Mike; Jean; Fr Mark; Janis Gallagher; Lucy Nichol; Janet Hickling; Tracy Birkitt; Rhys Williams; Pat Steel; Maureen Steane; Anita Murray; David Murray; Andrew & Jenny Priest; Denzil & David.

We pray for those who have recently died:

Rosemary Mitchell.

Those whose years mind falls at this time:

Roy Jordan; Marjorie Mildred Schofield; Roger Sessford; Eric Taylor; Tony Townsend; Frank Roberts.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

May the God of peace sanctify you:
may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness
that you may be blameless before him
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints.

1 Thessalonians 5.23; 3.13

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

Offertory Hymn (205)

**Christ is made the sure foundation,
and the precious cornerstone,
who, the two walls underlying,
bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.**

**All that dedicated city,
dearly loved by God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One, in Threefold glory,
singing everlastingly.**

**To this temple, where we call Thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with Thy wonted loving-kindness
hear Thy people as they pray;
and Thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls for ay.**

**Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants
gifts of grace by prayer to gain;**



**here to have and hold for ever,
those good things their prayers obtain,
and hereafter in Thy glory
with Thy blessed ones to reign.**

**Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three, and ever One,
One in love, and One in splendour,
while unending ages run. Amen.**

Words: Latin, C7th;
trans. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

To you we come, Father of lights,
with angels and saints,
where heaven and earth unite.
May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread.
Amen.

Prayer over the Gifts

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 Eucharistic Prayer

Let us pray.

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,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks, most gracious God,
surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses
and glorified in the assembly of your
saints.

The glorious company of apostles
praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise
you.

The white-robed army of martyrs
praise you.

We, your holy Church, acclaim you.

In communion with angels and
archangels,
and with all who served you on earth
and worship you now in heaven,
we raise our voice to proclaim your glory,
for ever praising you and singing:



Sanctus & Benedictus Nardone - The Kilcreggan Mass

*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.*

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father,
who, in your tender mercy,
gave your only Son our Saviour 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;
he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue,
a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,
and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine,
according to your 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 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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.



Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father,
in remembrance of the precious death and passion,
the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension
of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood,
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins
and all other benefits of his passion.

Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins,
to offer you any sacrifice,

yet we pray that you will accept this
the duty and service that we owe.

Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences,
and fill us all who share in this holy communion
with your grace and heavenly blessing;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,
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.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

So we have confidence to pray to the Father as our Lord 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.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread**

Agnus Dei Nardone - The Kilcreggan Mass

*Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, redeemer of the world,
give us your peace.*

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion.

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
Eat in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

The clergy and people receive communion.

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

Hymn (274)

*Author of life divine,
Who hast a table spread,
Furnished with mystic wine
And everlasting bread,
Preserve the life thyself hast given,
And feed and train us up for heaven.*

*Our needy souls sustain
With fresh supplies of love,
Till all thy life we gain
And all thy fullness prove,
And strengthened by thy perfect grace,
Behold without a veil thy face.*

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Choir Anthem

Holy is the true light - William Harris (1883-1973)

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

Let us pray.

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Acclamation

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised:
there is no end of his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.

All your works praise you, Lord,
and your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:
let everything bless his holy name for ever and ever.

The Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

May God,
who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

Amen.

May he give you joy in their fellowship
and a share in their praises.

Amen.

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness
and to come to the full radiance of glory.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of
Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Amen.

Hymn (114)

**Now is eternal life,
if risen with Christ we stand,
in Him to life reborn,
and holden in His hand;
no more we fear death's ancient dread,
in Christ arisen from the dead.**

**For God, the living God,
stooped down to man's estate;
by death destroying death,
Christ opened wide life's gate.
He lives, who died; He reigns on high;
who lives in Him shall never die.**

**Unfathomed Love divine,
reign Thou within my heart;
from Thee nor depth nor height,
nor life nor death can part.
Our life is hid with God in Thee,
now and through all eternity.**

G. W. Briggs (1875-1959)

The clergy and people depart.

Organ Voluntary

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A further Covid update from October 24th 2021

Please note:

- We hope that people will continue to wear masks whilst entering, leaving or moving around the church building, especially when larger numbers are present.
- For services, if you would like seat spaces left between you and the next person, please take a card(s) from reception to place on the seats beside you. Strict socially distanced seating will be retained in the balcony.
- Wearing of masks throughout the services and whilst seated is still advised as covid numbers increase in our area, but we do expect the wearing of masks for the singing of hymns and when moving around to receive communion. The congregational singing of the offertory hymn is to be reinstated on All Saints Day (31st October).
- The physical sharing of the peace with family seated alongside you is fine.
- We will continue to retain only taking communion in one kind.
- The collection will remain as a basket/plate placed near the north door.
- Church groups to make their own decisions on the necessity of masks whilst the group is meeting.
- When seated in the café, masks are not required.
- Hand sanitizer stations will continue to be available and their use encouraged. We will continue following a one-way system for communion and moving around church. Doors will continue to be left open to improve ventilation. Please wrap up if you are near to an exit.

Please note that it has proved very difficult to get all guests to continue with the wearing of masks for funerals and baptisms. Each family is however responsible for informing their guests about the continued government advice that masks are worn when part of larger groups. This continues to be wise advice as we enter the winter season. It is also possible that the government will reinstate the wearing of masks if numbers continue to rise.