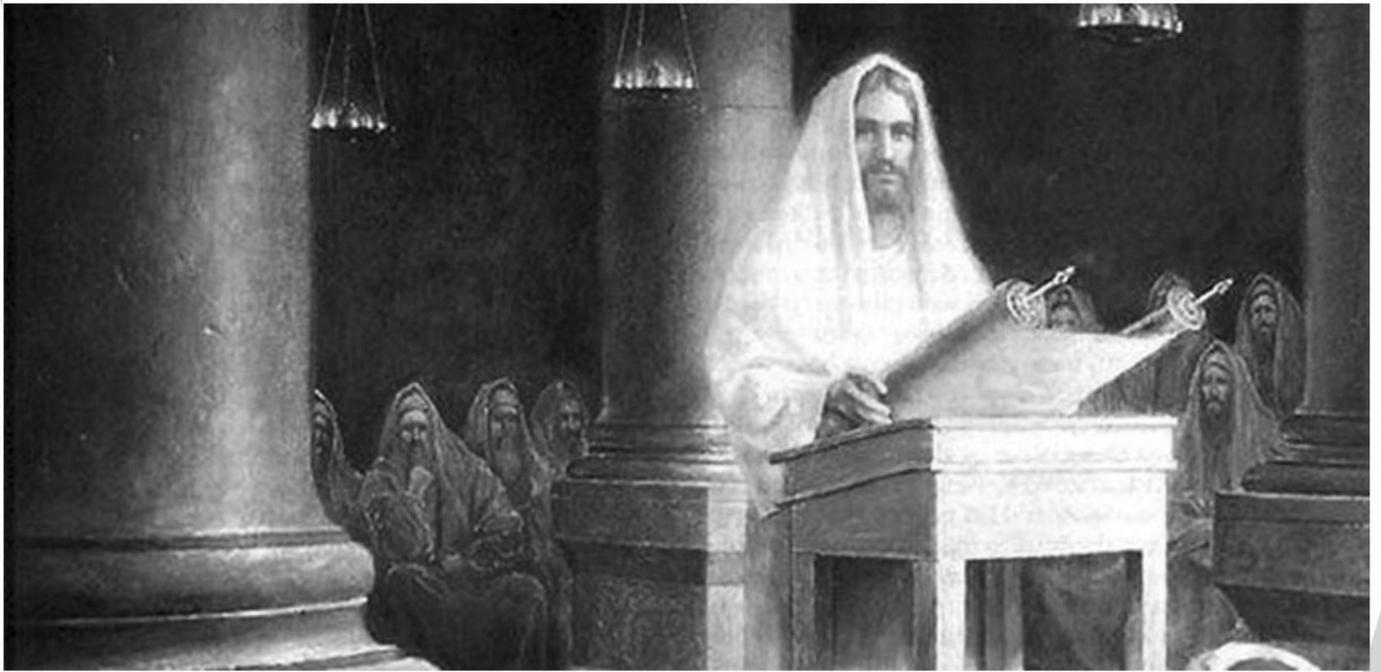


# The Parish Church of St Giles with St Mary's, Pontefract



**“Today this scripture has been  
fulfilled in your hearing.”**

**Third Sunday of Epiphany**

**23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022**

**10.15 a.m.**

*Including the Commissioning of Tony Williams as a Lay Pastoral Minister*

# Welcome

We welcome you to this celebration of Parish Mass  
for the Third Sunday of Epiphany..

Today's setting for mass is Lourdes 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 this prayer.

**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

# The Gathering

## Hymn (52)

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,  
kneel and adore Him, the Lord is His name!**

**Low at His feet lay thy burden of carefulness,  
high on His heart He will bear it for thee,  
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,  
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.**

**Fear not to enter His courts in the slenderness  
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:  
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,  
these are the offerings to lay on His shrine.**

**These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,  
He will accept for the name that is dear;  
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,  
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.**

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,  
Kneel and adore Him, the Lord is His name!**

John Samuel Bewley Monsell

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

## The Greeting

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

# Prayers of Penitence

## Invitation to confession

The sun of righteousness has dawned  
with healing in his wings.  
Let us come to the light of Christ,  
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Malachi 4.2

**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 the God of love  
bring you back to himself,  
✠forgive you your sins,  
and assure you of his eternal love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



## Gloria in Excelsis (Lourdes)

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.  
Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.**  
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.

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

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.

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.**

## The Collect for the Third Sunday of Epiphany

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God,

whose Son revealed in signs and miracles

the wonder of your saving presence:

renew your people with your heavenly grace,

and in all our weakness

sustain us by your mighty power;

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

*1 Corinthians 12.12-31a*

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Alleluia

Gospel Reading      *Luke 4.14-21*

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

# The Creed

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

**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.**

**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

We come boldly to the throne of grace,  
praying to the almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for mercy and grace.

*After each prayer:*                    Lord, in your mercy  
    **hear our prayer.**

Today we pray for Harper Rose Gill, Bobby Leonard Dagger and their families on the occasion of their celebration of the sacrament of baptism.

*We pray for those for whom prayers have been requested:*

Steven; Terry; Robert; Janice; Cynthia; Steph; Tracey; Brenda; Dawn; Janet; Morag; Robert Metcalfe; Janis Gallagher; Lucy Nichol; Ann Webb; Marjorie Sanderson; Carl Thornton; Pat Steel; Maureen Steane; Janet Hickling; Ann Knox; Fr Mark; David Murray; Rhys Williams; Alan Sambrooks; Linda Sambrooks; Adrian Pope; Jonathan Bellamy; Andrew and Jennie Priest; David and Denzil; Mike and Barbara.

*We pray for those who have recently died:*

Margaret Hayward; Jeremy Johnson; Sally Cooper; Roy Cutts; Charles William Chapman.

*Those whose years mind falls at this time:*

Arthur Mercer; Brian Reed; Robert Cooper; Stanley Firth; Kathleen Fearnside; James Leo Lemmon; Ann Veronica Sanderson.

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



*Junior Church Return*

# Commissioning of Tony Williams as a Lay Pastoral Minister

(see page 19).

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

We are the body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace  
and builds up our common life.

cf 1 Corinthians 12.13; Romans 14.19

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

All may exchange a sign of peace.

## Preparation of the Altar

### Offertory Hymn (28)

***In the bleak mid-winter,  
Frosty wind made moan,  
Earth stood hard as iron,  
Water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,  
Snow on snow,  
In the bleak mid-winter,  
Long ago.  
Our God, heaven cannot hold Him,  
Nor earth sustain;  
Heaven and earth shall flee away  
When He comes to reign:  
In the bleak mid-winter  
A stable-place sufficed  
The Lord God Almighty,  
Jesus Christ.  
Enough for him, whom cherubim  
Worship night and day,***

**A breastful of milk  
And a mangerful of hay:  
Enough for him, whom angels  
Fall down before,  
The ox and ass and camel  
Which adore.  
Angels and archangels  
May have gathered there,  
Cherubim and seraphim  
Throngèd the air;  
But only his mother,  
In her maiden bliss,  
Worshipped the Beloved  
With a kiss.  
What can I give Him,  
Poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd,  
I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a wise man,  
I would do my part;  
Yet what I can I give Him-  
Give my heart.**

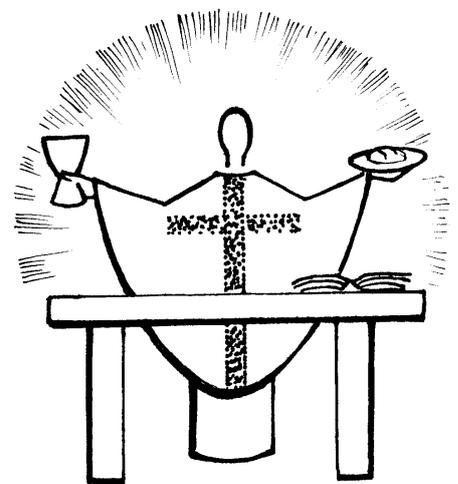
Christina G Rossetti

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

Father, in Christ there has sprung up a light for the righteous;  
accept the offering of your Church  
and grant that Christ may shine in us  
to the praise and glory of your name.  
**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

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.**

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty creator, ever-living God,  
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:  
for at this time we celebrate your glory  
made present in our midst.

In the coming of the magi  
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.

In the waters of baptism  
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,  
the Saviour sent to redeem us.

In the water made wine  
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.

Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name  
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

## Sanctus & Benedictus Nardone - 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.*

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
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.  
So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died:***

***Christ is risen:***

***Christ will come again.***

Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with Our Lady, Giles and all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven  
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour 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 the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

# Agnus Deii Nardone - 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.*

Jesus is the lamb of God  
Who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you,  
But only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*The president and people receive communion.*

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

*If you would prefer not to receive Holy Communion, please use this prayer of spiritual communion.*

**My Jesus, I believe that you  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things,  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

## Hymn (513)

**Here is Christ, we gather, love of Christ our calling.  
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be His greeting.  
Let us all revere and love Him, God eternal.  
Loving Him, let each love Christ in all his brothers.**

**God is love and where true love is God himself is there.**

**When we Christians gather, members of one body,  
let there be in us no discord, but one spirit.  
Banish now be anger, strife and every quarrel.  
Christ our God be present always here among us.**

**God is love and where true love is God himself is there.**

**Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed.  
When we see your face, O Saviour, in its glory;  
shine on us, O purest Light of all creation.  
Be our bliss while endless ages sing Your praises.**

**God is love and where true love is God himself is there.**

From Latin liturgy of Maundy Thursday; tr. James Quinn

**Choir Anthem** From the rising of the sun (Frederick Arthur Gore Ouseley)

## Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

**Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:  
may your people,  
illumined by your word and sacraments,  
shine with the radiance of his glory,  
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed  
to the ends of the earth;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.  
Amen**

## The Blessing and Dismissal

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

The Lord Jesus Christ,  
Son of the living God,  
teach you to walk in his way more trustfully,  
to accept his truth more faithfully,  
and to share his life more lovingly;  
that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
you may come as one family to the kingdom of the Father.  
And the blessing ...

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Hymn (388)

***Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
doth his successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.***

***People and realms of every tongue  
dwell on His love with sweetest song,  
and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on His name.***

***Blessings abound where'er He reigns;  
the prisoner leaps to lose his chains;  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all the sons of want are blest.***

**Let every creature rise and bring  
peculiar honours to our King;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the long Amen.**

Isaac Watts

## Organ Voluntary

*The clergy and people depart.*

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# Commissioning of Lay Pastoral Ministers

Lay Pastoral Ministers work alongside and under the authority of the Incumbent (Vicar) to whom they are authorised, giving practical support in areas of pastoral care identified in consultation with the Incumbent. They may also work in a particular institution under the authority of its Chaplain. In so doing they share in the ministry of love and service entrusted to the Church by Christ himself.

Today, we celebrate that Tony has completed the diocesan course and will now exercise his ministry as part of the total care of this parish.

*The Lay Pastoral Minister to be commissioned is invited to stand at the front of church facing the minister:*

As Tony begins his new ministry he will need our encouragement, support and above all our prayers.

Tony, do you commit yourself to care for God's people through the work of pastoral ministry?

**With the help of God, I do.**

*The Minister addresses the congregation*

Will you uphold Tony in this service?

**We will.**

*The Minister prays*

God of compassion and love,  
bless, we pray, Tony,  
whom we commission in your name  
for the exercising of pastoral ministry in this parish.  
Grant him the wisdom, gentleness and courage of your Holy Spirit;  
that, following the example of Christ's service  
and equipped with his gifts,  
he may be a minister of your love  
and a sign of your kingdom on earth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

The service continues with the Peace (Page 10)

## A Further Update From December 8<sup>th</sup> 2021

Following the latest update from the UK Government and Church of England, all are now required to wear masks whilst entering, leaving or moving around the church building (including the Centre spaces), unless exempt or aged under 11.

- Hand sanitizer stations will continue to be available and their use encouraged.
- The wearing of masks throughout services (including the singing of hymns) is required for the congregation.
- It is still permissible for those leading worship, or singing in groups or choirs to remove masks for these purposes.
- We will continue following a one-way system for coming up for communion and moving around church.
- Doors will continue to be opened at certain points during worship in order to improve ventilation. Please wrap up if you are near to an exit.
- 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.
- 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.
- When seated in the café taking refreshments, masks are not required, but they are for movement around the café.
- The above information applies to all other services in church, including funerals and baptisms.
- Masks are to be worn for any group meetings in the building and when working closely with others in the kitchen area.