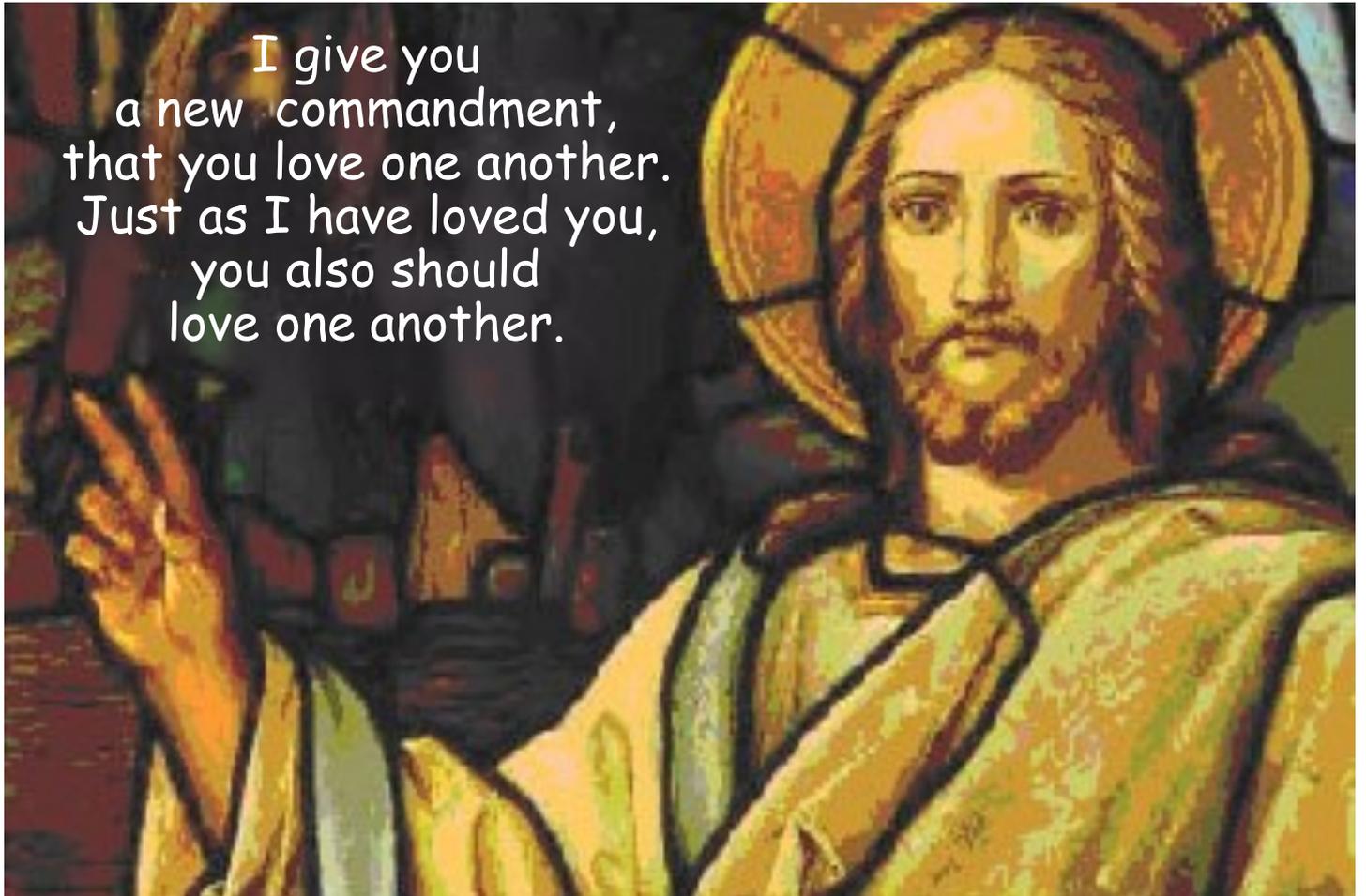


# The Parish Church of St Giles with St Mary's, Pontefract



The Fifth Sunday of Easter  
15<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 10:15 a.m.

# Welcome

We welcome you to this celebration of Parish Mass  
for the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

This morning's setting is Nardone - Kilcreggan

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 (103)

**Alleluya, Alleluya!**

**Hearts to heaven and voices raise;  
sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
sing to God a hymn of praise:  
He who on the Cross a Victim  
for the world's salvation bled,  
Jesus Christ the King of glory,  
now is risen from the dead.**

**Christ is risen, Christ the First-fruits  
of the holy harvest field,  
which will all its full abundance  
at His second coming yield;  
then the golden ears of harvest  
will their heads before Him wave,  
ripened by His glorious sunshine,  
from the furrows of the grave.**

**Christ is risen, we are risen;  
shed upon us heavenly grace,  
rain and dew, and gleams of glory  
from the brightness of Thy face;  
that we, Lord, with hearts in heaven,  
here on earth may fruitful be,  
and by angel-hands be gathered,  
and be ever safe with Thee.**

**Alleluya, Alleluya!**

**Glory be to God on high;  
to the Father and the Saviour,  
who has gained the victory;  
glory to the Holy Spirit,  
Fount of love and sanctity;  
Alleluya, Alleluya,  
to the Triune Majesty. Amen.**

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

**Amen.**

## The Greeting

*The president greets the people*

The Lord be with you.

**and also with you.**

## Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;  
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

cf Revelation 1.17,18

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

## 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.

1 Corinthians 5.7,8

## Prayer of Penitence

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,  
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,  
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,  
and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,  
as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**Lord, hear us and help us.**

*The president says*

May the God of love and power  
✠forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in 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 Fifth Sunday of Easter.

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept*

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen 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                      Acts 11.1-18

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was

pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God? When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

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

Gospel Alleluia

Gospel Reading

John 13.31-35



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.**

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

# Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**

cf Ephesians 3

# Prayers of Intercession

In joy and hope let us pray to the Father.

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

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

Patrick; Mike; Steven; Terry; Cynthia; Steph; Tracey; Brenda; Dawn;  
Morag; Josie; Janis Gallagher; Lucy Nichol; Carl Thornton; Pat Steel;  
Janet Hickling; Ann Knox; Fr Mark; David Murray; Rhys Williams; Alan  
Sambrooks; Linda Sambrooks; Mary Sambrooks; Julie Westwood; Andrew  
Bloxham ; Adrian Pope; Jonathan Bellamy; Carl Farraker; Marilyn Spicer; Cath  
Godridge; Andrew and Jennie Priest; David and Denzil; Ben (child).

*We pray for those who have recently died:*

Patrick Donaldson; Christopher Bright; Marion Cranswick; Lynda Ross; May  
Weston; Ken Harrison;

*Those whose years mind falls at this time:*

Harold Guest; Sylvia Webb.

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

*Our children and young people return (St Giles 3:16 group)*



# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said 'Peace be with you'. Then were they glad to see the Lord. Alleluia.

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 (296)

**Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
first-begotten from the dead.**

**Thou alone, our strong defender,  
liftest up Thy people's head.**

**Alleluia!**

**Jesus, true and living Bread!**

**Here our humblest homage pay we,  
here in loving reverence bow;  
here for faith's discernment pray we,  
lest we fail to know Thee now.**

**Alleluia!**

**Thou art here, we ask not how.**

**Though the lowliest form doth veil Thee  
as of old in Bethlehem,**

**here as there Thine angels hail Thee,  
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.**

**Alleluia!**

**We in worship join with them.**

**Paschal Lamb, Thine offering, finished  
once for all when Thou was slain,  
in its fullness undiminished  
shall for evermore remain.**

**Alleluia!**

**Cleansing souls from every stain.**

**Life-imparting heavenly Manna,  
stricken Rock with streaming side,  
heaven and earth with loud hosanna  
worship Thee, the Lamb who died.**

**Alleluia!**

**Risen, ascended, glorified!**

G. H. Bourne

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

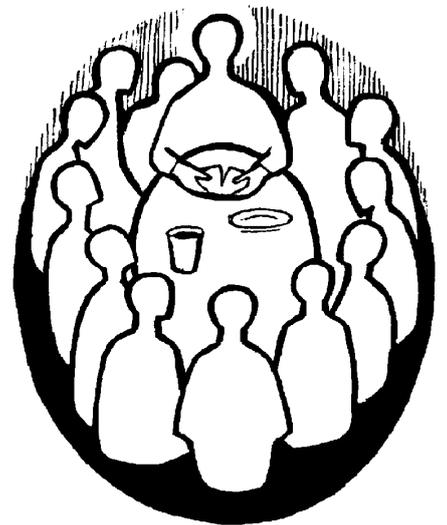
Wise and gracious God,  
you spread a table before us;  
nourish your people with the word of life  
and the bread of heaven.

**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.**

You are worthy of our thanks and praise,  
Lord God of truth,  
for by the breath of your mouth  
you have spoken your word,  
and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image  
and placed us in the garden of your delight.  
Though we chose the path of rebellion  
you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace.  
You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets  
to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth,  
we echo the song of the angels in heaven,  
evermore praising you and singing:

## Sanctus & Benedictus

**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.**

Lord God, you are the most holy one,  
enthroned in splendour and light,  
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ

you reveal the power of your love  
made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity,  
Jesus showed us the way of salvation;  
loving us to the end,  
he gave himself to death for us;  
dying for his own,  
he set us free from the bonds of sin,  
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all  
he 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 we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,  
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,  
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high  
and we long for his coming in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died:***

***Christ is risen:***

***Christ will come again.***

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,  
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation  
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
form us into the likeness of Christ  
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people  
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.  
Bless the earth,

heal the sick,  
let the oppressed go free  
and fill your Church with power from on high.  
Gather your people from the ends of the earth  
to feast with Our Lady, Giles and all your saints  
at the table in your kingdom,  
where the new creation is brought to perfection  
in 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

Let us pray as our Saviour taught us for the coming of God's kingdom.

**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.

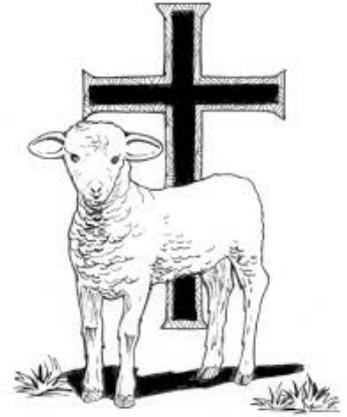
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## Agnus Dei

**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.*

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*The president and people receive communion.*

*Communion is now offered in both kinds. Please walk past the chalice if you do not wish to receive the wine.*

*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.**

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## Hymn (310)

**We hail thy Presence glorious,  
O Christ our great high Priest,  
O'er sin and death victorious,  
At thy thanksgiving feast:  
As thou art interceding  
For us in heaven above,  
Thy Church on earth is pleading  
Thy perfect work of love.**

**Through thee in every nation  
Thine own their hearts upraise,  
Offering one pure Oblation,  
One Sacrifice of praise:  
With thee in blest communion  
The living and the dead  
Are joined in closest union,  
One Body with one Head.**

**O living Bread from heaven,  
Jesu, our Saviour good,  
Who thine own self hast given  
To be our souls' true food;  
For us thy body broken  
Hung on the Cross of shame:  
This Bread its hallowed token  
We break in thy dear name.**

**O stream of love unending,  
Poured from the one true Vine,  
With our weak nature blending  
The strength of life divine;  
Our thankful faith confessing  
In thy life-blood outpoured,  
We drink this Cup of blessing  
And praise thy name, O Lord.**

# Choir Anthem

*Elgar - Ave verum corpus*

## Prayer after Communion

*Silence is kept.*

Let us pray.

**Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

*Notices are given.*

## Acclamation

Here are words you may trust.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead:  
**he is our salvation, our eternal glory.**

If we die with him, we shall live with him;  
**if we endure, we shall reign with him.**

If we deny him, he will deny us;  
**if we are faithless, he keeps faith.**

For he has broken the power of death  
**and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.**

*cf 2 Timothy 2.11-13*

# The Blessing and Dismissal

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

God the Father,  
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,  
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**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

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

*The clergy and people depart.*

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