

The Parish Church of All Saints, Peterborough

The Holy Eucharist

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

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The Priest introduces the service and welcomes the assembled people of God. He invites the people to repent of their sins using these or other appropriate words:

We confess to you our selfishness and lack of love:
fill us with your Spirit.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We confess to you our fear and failure in sharing our faith:
fill us with your Spirit.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We confess to you our stubbornness and lack of trust:
fill us with your Spirit.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon *you*,
pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins,
confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness,
and keep *you* in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Priest introduces a brief period of silent prayer before saying the Opening Prayer on behalf of the congregation.

Merciful Lord,
absolve your people from their offences, that through your
bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those
sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly
Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, 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 with readings and psalm

First reading: Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12

Then he brought me back to the entrance of the temple; there, water was flowing from below the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east); and the water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar. ² Then he brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me around on the outside to the outer gate that faces toward the east; and the water was coming out on the south side.

³ Going on eastward with a cord in his hand, the man measured one thousand cubits, and then led me through the water; and it was ankle-deep. ⁴ Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was knee-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was up to the waist. ⁵ Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross, for the water had risen; it was deep enough to swim in, a river that could not be crossed. ⁶ He said to me, "Mortal, have you seen this?"

Then he led me back along the bank of the river. ⁷ As I came back, I saw on the bank of the river a great many trees on the one side and on the other. ⁸ He said to me, "This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah; and when it enters the sea, the sea of stagnant waters, the water will become fresh. ⁹ Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes.

¹² On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing."

This is the Word of the Lord

Psalm 46.1-8

¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;

God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶ The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.

⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

The gospel reading

The Lord be with you **And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (1-3, 5-16) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

² Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Bethesda, which has five porticoes. ³ In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed.

⁵ One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” ⁷ The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.” ⁸ Jesus said to him, “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” ⁹ At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath. ¹⁰ So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, “It is the sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat.” ¹¹ But he answered them, “The man who made me well said to me, ‘Take up your mat and walk.’” ¹² They asked him, “Who is the man who said to you, ‘Take it up and walk?’” ¹³ Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in the crowd that was there. ¹⁴ Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you.” ¹⁵ The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. ¹⁶ Therefore the Jews started persecuting Jesus, because he was doing such things on the sabbath.

At the end of the gospel reading

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

A homily may be given

Intercessions

*The Priest introduces **the Peace***

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you **And also with you.**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love. accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

*The Priest begins **the Eucharistic Prayer (E)** - the great prayer of thanksgiving over the bread and wine that recalls all that God has done for the world.*

Priest The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Priest Lift up your hearts

All We lift them to the Lord

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All It is right to give thanks and praise

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And now we give you thanks because each year you give us this joyful season when we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed. You give us a spirit of loving reverence for you and of willing service to our neighbour.
As we recall the saving acts that give new life in Christ, you bring the image of your Son to perfection within our hearts.

And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and *saying:*

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.

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 [N 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 Priest introduces **the Lord's Prayer.***

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;**

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but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

*All say the **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.**

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 Body of Christ, broken for us all
The Blood of Christ, shed for us all

The post-communion prayers

Lord God,
whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters
and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to endure the
sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that
shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this
sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste
of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples.
Amen.**

*The Priest blesses the people and dismisses them to go out into the world taking the
Good News of Jesus Christ to all those they meet.*

The Lord be with you **And also with you**

God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ,
keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ **Thanks be to God**