



Welcome to St Margaret's Church Ifield
Loved as you are

Sunday 15th March 2025
MOTHERING SUNDAY



Everyone is welcome at St Margaret's.

THE GATHERING

*As we gather before the service, we speak to God.
During the service, we let God speak to us.
After the service, we speak to each other.*

We stand and sing at the entrance of the clergy

Processional Hymn

**Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.**

**Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.**

**Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.**

**Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**

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Tunes SLANE Irish traditional melody harmonised by ERIK ROUTLEY (1917-1982)*

THE GREETING

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

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

WORDS OF WELCOME

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.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The priest introduces the prayer ending with
Let us confess our sins.

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not
loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our
neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have**

been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

*The priest offers absolution at the end please respond
Amen.*

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy, **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy, **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy, **Lord, have mercy.**

THE COLLECT

*The priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words, 'Let us pray.'
The Collect is said, and all respond, Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the readings

First Reading

Exodus 2: 1-10

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 1.3-7

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Please stand

The Gospel Reading

John 19.25b-27

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.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please remain standing until the preacher has introduced the Sermon

THE SERMON

We stand

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and 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 into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
From there he will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Prayers for the Church, the world, and for all human need. After each petition the following response is used:

Lord of Lent,
renew us by your Spirit

and at the end of the prayers:

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

We stand to share the peace.

The Peace

The priest introduces the Peace

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.

Please remain standing to sing the offertory hymn.

**In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea**

**In the silence, You won't let go
In the questions, Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea**

**My Lighthouse, my lighthouse
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You
My Lighthouse, my lighthouse (oh oh)
I will trust the promise,
You will carry me safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore**

**I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh oh**

**You are my light
My Lighthouse, my lighthouse (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
My Lighthouse, my lighthouse (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
I will trust the promise,
You will carry me safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore (Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh)
Safe to shore**

**Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms**

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The Presentation of the Gifts

During the Offertory hymn the bread and wine and the collection are brought to the altar and the altar is prepared.

At the end of the Blessing of the Gifts please respond

Blessed be God forever

We sit or stand

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

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.

The priest praises God for his mighty acts and at the end we say,

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

The priest continues with the prayer which recalls the Last Supper, after the elevation the priest says, 'Great is the mystery of Faith'

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again

The prayer continues and concludes with the doxology where we respond,

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest 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.**

**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 Giving of 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 priest invites everyone to come to Communion or for a blessing

Please sit and wait to be directed for Communion.

During the distribution of Communion music will be played

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Priest prays the post-communion prayer followed by

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him, we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

BANNS

NOTICES

THE DISMISSAL

Please stand

The priest gives the blessing

Amen.

We go into the world to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love,
and to reflect God's glory.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn

*All our blessings, all our joys
With thankful hearts we sing,
God of love and faithfulness,
Accept the praise we bring.*

**For parents and for children,
For partners and for friends,
For those whose care enfolds us
With love that never ends.**

***All our blessings, all our joys
With thankful hearts we sing,
God of love and faithfulness,
Accept the praise we bring.***

**For fellowship and friendship
For all we have to give,
For those who've shared our journey
And taught us how to live.**

***All our blessings, all our joys
With thankful hearts we sing,
God of love and faithfulness,
Accept the praise we bring.***

**For all who've shared our sorrow,
Walked with us in our pain,
Who've held our hand through
darkness
And showed us light again.**

***All our blessings, all our joys
With thankful hearts we sing,
God of love and faithfulness,
Accept the praise we bring.***

**In sacrifice and service
Your love is clearly shown,
Your outstretched arms embrace us
to bring us safely home.**

Tune: All things bright and beautiful.

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Service next Sunday:
Fifth Sunday of Lent

Family Service (9.30)
Parish Communion (11am)
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