



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



**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022**  
**Sunday Before Lent**

*All are welcome to St Margaret's and we encourage all to take part fully in this service. If you have **mobility issues** that make it difficult for you to come and receive communion, should you want to, then do please notify our sides-people, and we will come to you.*

***Due to the Coronavirus please make your responses in a quiet voice in order to minimise the risk of infection***

### **THE GATHERING**

**As we gather together**

**Prélude No 5 from 24 Pièces en Style Libre** *Louis Vierne 1870-1937*

*We stand at the entrance of the clergy:*

**Hymnus Op 20 No.1,** *Alexander Campbell Mackenzie 1847-1935*

**Opening Hymn**

**How Good, Lord, to be Here,  
Your glory fills the night,  
Your face and garments, like the sun,  
Shine with unborrowed light.**

**How good, Lord, to be here,  
Your beauty to behold,  
Where Moses and Elijah stand,  
Your messengers of old.**

**Fulfiller of the past,  
Promise of things to be,  
We hail your body glorified,  
And our redemption see.**

**Before we taste of death,  
We see your Kingdom come,  
We still would hold the vision bright,  
And make this hill our home.**

**How good, Lord to be here!  
Yet we may not remain,  
But since you bid us leave the mount,  
Come with us to the plain.**

*Joseph Armitage Robinson 1858-1933*

## **THE GREETING**

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

**All** **Amen.**

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

**All** **And also with you.**

## **WORDS OF WELCOME**

## THE PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**All** 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

Celebrant God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

**All** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant 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.

**All** Amen.

## THE GLORIA

Two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The first staff contains the melody for the first four measures: 'Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.' The second staff, starting with a measure rest '5', contains the melody for the next four measures: 'Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.' The notation includes treble clefs, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the notes.

*Cantor* 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. *R*

*Cantor* 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. *R*

*Cantor* 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. *R*

## THE COLLECT

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory, 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

*Please sit for the readings:*

### **First Reading**

*Exodus 34:29-end*

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading**

*2 Corinthians 3:12-4.2*

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God**

*Please stand for the Gospel:*

### ***The Gospel Reading***

*Luke 9:28-36*

The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

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

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please remain standing until the preacher has introduced the Sermon:*

## THE SERMON

*We stand for:*

### THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

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

**All** Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

*and at the end of the prayers:*

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

## **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **The Peace**

**Celebrant** To crown all things there must be love.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

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

**Celebrant** Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace by looking at those around you and greeting them with a warm smile.

*As the Body of Christ receives its life from God, and offers its life to God, so we, as members of that Body, greet each other in love.*

## **The Preparation of the Table The Taking of the Bread and Wine**

**During the Preparation of the Table:**

**In bread we bring you, Lord, our bodies' labour,  
In wine we offer you our spirits' grief,  
We do not ask you, Lord, 'who is my neighbour?'  
But stand united now, one in belief.  
O we have gladly heard your word, your holy word,  
And now in answer, Lord, our gifts we bring.  
Our selfish hearts make true, our failing faith renew,  
Our lives belong to you, our Lord and King.**

**The bread we offer you is blessed and broken,  
And it becomes for us our spirits' food.  
Over the cup we bring your Word is spoken,  
Make it your gift to us, your healing blood.  
Take all that daily toil plants in our hearts poor soil,  
Take all we start and spoil, each hopeful dream,  
The chances we have missed, the graces we resist,  
Lord, in thy eucharist, take and redeem.**

*Mgr. Kevin Nichols 1929-2006*

**Celebrant** Heavenly Father accept these prayers, left this past week, on the fishing net. We pray that you will meet these people at their point of need.

**All** Amen.

**Celebrant** Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

**All** Blessed be God for ever.

*We sit or stand for:*

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Celebrant The Lord is here  
**All His Spirit is with us.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.  
**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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 so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels  
praising you, and singing:

**All**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might.

5  
Hea - ven and earth are full of your

7  
glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high - est.

10  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might.

14  
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

19  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might.

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.

Praise to you Lord Jesus:

**All**

Lord, by your cross and re - sur - rec - tion you have set us free.

5  
You are the Sav - iour, you are the Sav - iour of the world.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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 St Margaret 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.

**All**      **Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.**



### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All**      **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*

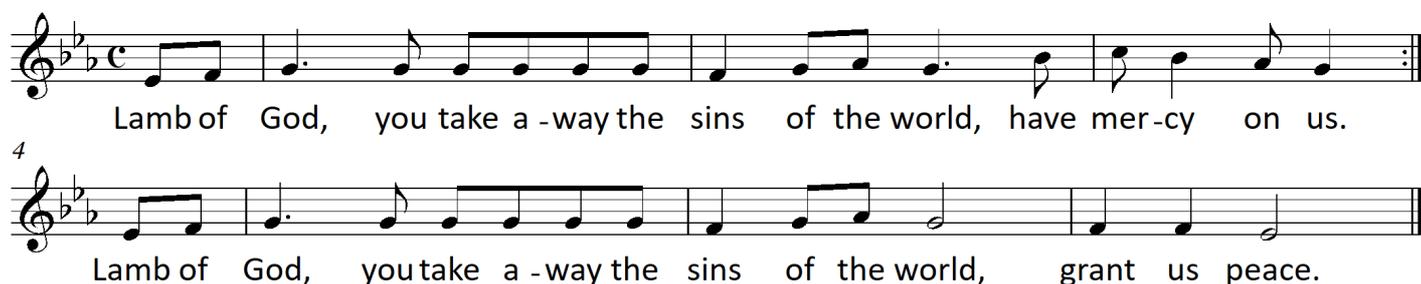
We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

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

## ***The Giving of Communion***

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

### **All**



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us." The second staff, starting with a measure rest of 4, contains the melody for the second line: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace." Both staves end with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

*Please follow the directions of the sidespeople who will guide you to receive your Communion.*

*The sacrament will be administered to the congregation in both kinds but by intinction. As the priest offers you the host with the words **'The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ'** please respond: **Amen.***

**During the distribution of Communion:**

**Communion** *César Franck 1822-1890*

**Reflection**

**Father, we adore you,  
lay our lives before you.  
How we love you!**

**Jesus, we adore you,  
lay our lives before you.  
How we love you!**

**Spirit, we adore you,  
lay our lives before you.  
How we love you!**

*Terry Coelho. B. 1952*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Celebrant** Let us pray. Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**All** **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.**

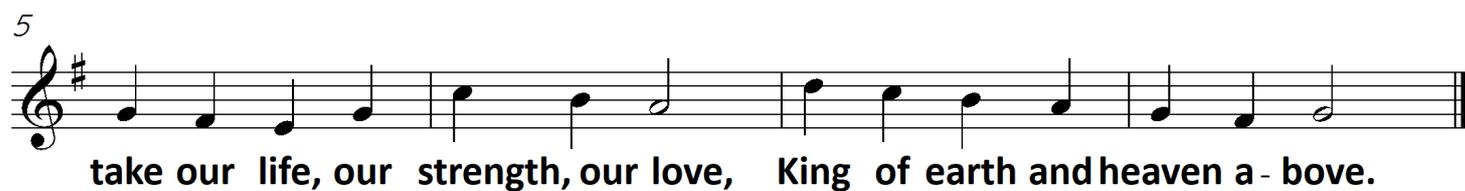
## **NOTICES**

## THE BLESSING

Celebrant Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

### Final Hymn



**Hear the songs your people raise,  
Songs of joyful thanks and praise,  
Calling all created things  
To adore you, King of kings.**

**Christ, be with us as we go,  
Let this blind world see and know,  
Burning in our lives, the sight  
Of its only saving light.**

**So, all people will bless your name,  
And your kingship all proclaim,  
Praising with the heavenly host  
Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

*Clifford Howell SJ 1902-1981*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The Clergy will recess to the postlude:*

### **Grand Plein Jeu, from Suite Du Premier Ton,**

*Louis Nicholas Clérambault 1676-1749*

*Louis Nicholas Clérambault was organist at several Paris churches and at Saint-Cyr and held the post of music superintendent to Mme de Maintenon. He composed several cantatas the subjects of which were drawn from classicism. His organ music ranks as some of the best organ music of his era. In 1710 he published a Livre d'Orgue containing two suites, Suite du premier ton et Suite du deuxième ton in the style of the French organ school, which at that time, identifies the Plein Jeu as the choir of principals including the mixtures, and the Grand Jeu as a combination of labial and lingual stops.*

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#### Notices

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**Service next Sunday:**  
*Lent 1*

**Said Eucharist Service (8.00 am)**

**First Sunday Service (11.00 am)**

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