

THE PARISH OF FRIERN BARNET

Trinity 9
9th August 2020

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

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Welcome and Introduction to the Liturgy

THREEFOLD CONFESSION

Let us reflect in the quietness of our own hearts on the past week.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The priest says the absolution

Absolution

Almighty God who sent your Holy Spirit

To be the life and light of your Church:

Open our hearts to the riches of your grace,

That we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit

In love and joy and peace;

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 GLORIA

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.
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.
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.**

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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

READING **Romans 10. 5-15**

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Romans

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" ' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?" ' (that is, to bring Christ up from the

dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Mercy and truth are met together.

Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

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I will listen to what the Lord God will say,
for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful,
that they turn not again to folly. **R/**

Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land. **R/**

Mercy and truth are met together,
righteousness and peace have kissed each other. **R/**

Truth shall spring up from the earth
and righteousness look down from heaven. **R/**

The LORD will indeed give all that is good,
and our land will yield its increase. **R/**

Righteousness shall go before him,
and direct his steps in the way.

R/

THE GOSPEL Matthew 14: 22-33

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

THE CREED

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All 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 the saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the church and the world and thank God for his goodness in our lives.

And at the end

Merciful Father...

**Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE PEACE

God brings peace to our lives when we wrestle with the heavy burden of our own expectations.

The peace of the Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Let us share the peace to one another.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God forever.

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 all respond

**All 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.**

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.**

THE AGNUS DEI

**All 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.**

Invitation to Communion

God's holy gifts
For God's holy people.

**All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

The priest receives communion on behalf of all those joining in the service, as those at home make an Act of Spiritual Communion saying.

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul that I may unite myself wholly to you now and for ever. Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of our peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; 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 peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

Please always stay safe – continue to follow the current rules on hygiene and self-isolation – to protect yourselves and others, especially the vulnerable.

For our prayers:

Please remember ***the people of the Lebanon and all those affected by the devastating blast in Beirut.*** Also ***Kiyoko Kotaka, Judith French,*** those who have died recently especially ***Irene Thomson, Shirley Akester*** and all whose anniversaries of death fall at this time.

Birthdays: *Laddie Shaw, Ed Newman*

Notices

Open Church. St John's church will be open again this week for socially distant private prayer. Opening times are 10am – noon on Wednesdays and Saturdays. We look forward to seeing you ... with your face mask!

Parish Finances: Any gift you can make to the Parish general funds continues to be welcome. If you haven't yet tried giving via the online link, why not give it a go this week. The online giving account means that if you usually give on a Sunday, you can now pay via the link below with a few clicks of the mouse:-

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/7dba3a49-2db8-4990-b079-42eab9d7729c>

Alternatively, donations can still be made directly into the Parish bank account:-

Account Name: Friern Barnet PCC
Reference: Donation
Sort Code: 40-52-40
Account No: 00011551

Contact: The Wardens remain very keen that the Parish should try to maintain its sense of community and that we remain in touch with each other at this exceptional time. If you have not yet joined the St John's WhatsApp group please do so as it is a wonderful resource and means of communication. If you are not sure how to do so, please contact Ed Newman on 07940 529905.

Interregnum: If you have any questions or require help or support of any kind please contact Ed Newman on 07940 529905 (email: ed.newman01@gmail.com) or Helen Edwards on 07802 709081 (email: helen.edwards130@gmail.com)

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