

THE ORDER OF MASS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**Blest be God the Father,
and the Only Begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.**

THE COLLECT

God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 4:32-34. 39-40

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: the Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 32:4-6.9. 18-20. 22. R.v12

R) Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. **(R)**

By his word the heavens were made,
by the breath of his mouth all the stars.
He spoke; and they came to be.
He commanded; they sprang into being. **(R)**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **(R)**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 8:14-17

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf Apoc 1:8

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
the God who is, who was, and who is to come.
Alleluia.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 28:16-20

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Sanctify by the invocation of your name,
we pray, O Lord our God,
this oblation of our service,
and by it make of us an eternal offering to you.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Gal 4:6

**Since you are children of God,
God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son,
the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord our God,
bring us health of body and soul,
as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity.
Through Christ our Lord.

Whenever the Priest says:
The Lord be with you.
The people reply:
And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have
failed to do,**

And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

**therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

Or:

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.

Or:

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:
Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.

You came to call sinners:
Christ, have mercy. *Or:* Christe, eleison.
Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.

You are seated at the right hand of the
Father to intercede for us:
Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.**

**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 Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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.

**I 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 adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Or:

The Apostles' Creed

**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,**

All bow

**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 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.**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),...

**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 holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.**

Kneel

The mystery of faith.

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

Or:

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.**

Stand

Or:

**Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.**

The Communion Rite

Behold the Lamb of God...

**Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

All bow

The Concluding Rites

After the blessing the Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Go forth, the Mass is ended. *Or:*

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord. *Or:*

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. *Or:*

Go in peace.

The people reply:
Thanks be to God.



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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	29th		St Wilfrid's	
			The Most Holy Trinity	
Sun	30th	9.00am	St George's -	Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Dorothy Blake RIP
Mon	31st		St George's -	
Tue	1st	10.00am	St George's -	Mary Kenward RIP
Wed	2nd	10.00am	St Wilfrid's -	Mrs Mary O'Donoghue's Intention
Thurs	3rd		St Georges -	
Fri	4th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's -	Felix Herbert Chetwynd RIP
Sat	5th		St Wilfrid's -	
			The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Friday is the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus)	
Sun	6th	9.00am	St George's -	Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Special Intention

St George's Church, Masses are now held on Tuesdays, at 10am and Sundays, 9am Booking is essential - ring 870990. Booking for St Wilfrid's Church: Go to our website www.saintsgeorgeandwilfrid.co.uk, click the link "Book a Mass" on the righthand side of the front page, select your Mass and follow the instructions, or contact the office on 841504.

IMPORTANT: Going into hospital? Would like a visit from the Catholic Chaplaincy? Ring 417400, ext. 4145 and leave a message for the Catholic Chaplain. Please also let Fr Rory know.

St Thomas a Becket Nursery School: Tel 01323 725977 **St Thomas a Becket Primary School:** Tel 01323 737221
St Richard's Catholic College, Bexhill: Tel 01424 731070

New to the Parish or would like to get back in touch but not sure how? Please complete the welcome form available in the porch and/or make yourself known to Fr. Rory. *It would be great to get to know you and offer any help.*

USEFUL PARISH INFORMATION

St Wilfrid's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 832577
St George's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 487212
St George's & St Wilfrid's Finance Committee Treasurers Charles Piegrome & Monika Beaver
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POLEGATE CHURCHES TOGETHER

Contact: Margaret Piegrome 01323 870990
Contact Care: 07900 823138

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are unwell: Lily May, Edna Andrews, Juliette Lusted, Jennifer Piskac, Margaret Gearing, Joshua Hardy, Peter & Teresa Zurenkas, Anne Holt, Margaret, Lilian Summers, Tom Woodrow-Spencer, Angela Archer, Colleen, Chris Neyenhuizen, Letty Booth and Michael Copper.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THOSE NAMED IN THE BOOKS IN OUR CHURCHES

Newsletter items: Please send to Jackie at ssgeorge.wilfrid@btinternet.com, tel.841504 or by hand marked NEWSLETTER, to Fr. Rory's House by **9am Wednesday.**
Office Hours Monday 9am-1pm, Wednesday 8.45am-12.45pm & Friday 9am-12.30pm

Fr Rory Writes:

Please God, and indeed with the help of God, life will be returning to what is more normal. It will continue to present us with a great challenge. The optimist would say an opportunity, and the realist will say now we should know there is "no magic". What do we have to do? To do things with care is very important. To be careful is crucial. How we interpret the need for social distance and normal greetings is best accomplished by being careful.

After our journey through Lent with the Stations of the Cross, and our celebration of Easter with the Stations of the Resurrection, Pentecost has presented us with a great experience. Having celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday we should have the inspiration to express; to live our faith. Real signs of life are with our children's liturgy, and it does my heart good. Highlights the need for me to do better. Help please.

Sunday the 11th July at St George's and Sunday 18th July at St Wilfrid's presents us with helpful opportunities to begin to work together. Again, caution and care with the language we use. Outcome is what is most important, and to be careful is the best way to achieve this outcome.

So how are we to do this? I have made some suggestions and some persons (thank God) are beginning to make a response, and the best thing I can say is "early days", but time passes by so quickly we need to get on with working for our future. We can all remember so many persons that we have lost in the last few years. One that stands out is Ann Fielder, because we were working with her in order to establish the "Missing Link". It is best for us to begin again. Then I tried to introduce our "Leaven Groups". So we begin again with the idea "how do we best work together?"



Deacon John Writes:

This weekend we have Trinity Sunday which to us mortals is about something we cannot understand. Father, Son and Holy Spirit are three distinct persons all in one God. We call this the Holy Trinity. We know that $1+1+1=3$ but in this instance $1+1+1=1$. Why do we believe it? Well - Jesus clearly taught it and it was recorded by the Evangelists. Many have tried to explain it over the years but it has been defined by the Church as something that everyone must believe - it is a part of our Christian Faith.

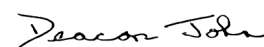
We start to pray with "In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit" and end with "Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit". All the sacraments are administered in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We bless ourselves, and the priest blesses us, in the Name of the Holy Trinity.

This means that in real life, our lives, we must respect ourselves and others because everyone is the temple of the Holy Spirit where all Three Persons of the Holy Trinity live. He is the source of our hope, courage and strength, and that He is our final destination. Families should all live in love and unity because by Baptism we become children of God and members of God's Trinitarian family.

St. Patrick, the missionary patron saint of Ireland, used the shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity. One day his friends asked Patrick to explain the Mystery of the Trinity. He looked at the ground and saw shamrocks growing in the grass at his feet. He picked one up one of its leaves and asked if it were one leaf or three. Patrick's friends couldn't answer - the shamrock leaf looked like one but it clearly had three parts. Patrick explained to them: "The mystery of the Holy Trinity - one God in Three Persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit - is like this, but more complex and unintelligible."

Augustine wrote: "You see the Trinity, if you see love." According to him, the Father is the lover, the Son is the loved one and the Holy Spirit is the personification of the very act of loving.

There is this story which is really about family life. One day, while he was walking with God in the Garden of Eden Adam said, "Excuse me God, can I ask you a few questions?" God replied, "Go on Adam, but be quick. I have a world to create." So, Adam says, "When you created Eve, why did you make her body so curved and tender unlike mine?" "I did that, Adam, so that you could love her." "Oh, well then, why did you give her long, shiny, beautiful hair?" "I did that Adam so that you could love her." "Oh, well then, why did you make her so stupid? Is that too because I should love her?" "Well, Adam, no. I did that so that she could love you."



Sunday 23rd May at St Wilfrid's was Confirmation Day for 2 young parishioners - Tania and Megha. Fr Rory was given permission by our Bishop Richard, to confirm them. Under the limited circumstances (covid) it was a truly special occasion. The girls, dressed in long red dresses, did the readings - very clear voices and with one volunteering for reading in the future. Amazing flowers of red and white, beautifully arranged. And of course Fr Rory looking so smart in his red vestments. All in all a great celebration to the Holy spirit who's feast we were celebrating. What joy at last, we can mix together again, although limited, things are easing and we can reconnect with each other and hopefully soon to be able to get together over a cuppa in our Church Hall. This is the thing that has been missing, socialising is a must for all.

St Wilfrid's First Confession and Penitential Service: This will take place in St Wilfrid's Church on Saturday 12th June at 5pm. This service will be open to all parishioners. If you would like to attend, please book a place on our website in the usual way. Thank you.

Bereavement Mass: Will be taking place on Sunday 4th July at 3pm in St Wilfrid's Church and this Mass is for all our parish community. This is our first opportunity to have this Mass and all are welcome, but it is important to book a place either online or by contacting Jackie on 01323 841504. Refreshments will be available in our hall afterwards.

Mary Kenward's Funeral Service will be held at 12 noon, on Wednesday, 2nd June 2021, at Horam Cemetery. All parishioners are welcome to the Service and, afterwards, to The May Garland pub in Horam to celebrate Mary's life.

St Wilfrid's Children's Liturgy will restart in September:

St Wilfrid's First Holy Communion Introductory meeting will be in September. If your child would like to receive their First Holy Communion 2021/2022 please email your name, child's full name and contact details to the church email. Any queries please see Annette or Teresa.

St George's Children's Liturgy: We are delighted that Children's Liturgy has now returned bi-weekly in St George's Hall. The dates we will be in session are as follows: 6th June, and 20th June. We may return to weekly from July but will be guided by the Covid-19 changes. All children are welcome to the sessions but you must book in advance by contacting Sandra by email at sandraforte40@gmail.com or phone 07791 627368.

St George's First Holy Communion – We are delighted to confirm that on 27th June three of our children will share Communion for the first time at St George's Church. We hope to be able to welcome as many parishioners as possible to attend this service, priority will be given to the families' guests, but there will be space for others. If you wish to attend please contact Margaret Piegrome or Sandra King. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers at this very special time in their Faith Journey.

Confirmation – Plans are currently underway to prepare Catechists to undertake Confirmation instruction for children, who will be in year 10 and above, and wish to take the Sacrament in 2022. More details to follow once a programme has been fully planned by the Catechists and Children's Liturgy team.

WANTED URGENTLY

Someone to help Lulu with our Church garden. Just a few hours here and there. Its a very rewarding job. Lulu and David have done marvellous but now David is in heaven, God rest his soul, its too much for one person. If you feel you would like to help keep our beautiful garden - please get in touch with Lulu (01323846509) or Joan (07873390944). Thank you.