

# St Michael's Church

Sunday 22nd March

Mothering Sunday



## Opening Sentence

Hail, Holy Mother! The child to whom you gave birth is the king of heaven and earth

## Greeting and Entrance

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

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

## Call to Confession

My brothers and sisters,  
to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries,  
let us first call to mind our sin.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Opening Prayer

O God, who through your Word  
reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way,  
grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith  
the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn  
celebrations to come.

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. **Amen**

## First Reading (Sit)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (6:1-4)

Children, be obedient to your parents in the Lord – that is your duty. The first commandment that has a promise attached to it is: *Honour your father and mother*, and the promise is: *and you will prosper and have a long life in the land*. And parents never drive

your children to resentment but in bringing them up correct them and guide them as the Lord does.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians (3:12-17)

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; you must now do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home in you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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**Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord  
Anyone who follows me will have the light of life  
**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

## **Gospel**

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

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to (John 19: 25-27)  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. Seeing his mother and the disciple he loved standing near her, Jesus said to his mother, 'Woman, this is your son'. Then to the disciple he said, 'This is your mother'. And from that moment the disciple made a place for her in his home.

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

## **Creed**

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 men and for our salvation**  
**he came down from heaven;**  
**by the power of the Holy Spirit**  
**he became incarnate of 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.**  
**With the Father and the Son**  
**he is worshipped and glorified.**

**He 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.**

### **Intercessions (Sit)**

Lord in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

### **The Peace**

**Priest:** Christ is our peace he has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross; we meet in his name and share his peace!  
The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**All: And also with you.**

### **Offertory Prayers**

**Priest:** Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness... (2x)  
**People: Blessed be God for ever.**

**Priest:** Let us pray my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**People: May the Lord accept this 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**

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

We place before you with joy these offerings,  
which bring eternal remedy, O Lord,  
praying that we may both faithfully revere them  
and present them to you, as is fitting,  
for the salvation of all the world.  
Through Christ our Lord.

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.....***The Eucharist prayer continues*

## **The Communion**

### **Our Father**

Let us pray with confidence to the Father  
in the words our Saviour gave 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.**

*The priest continues*

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

### **Breaking of the Bread:**

**Priest:** We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**People:** **Though we are many we are one body, because we all share in the one bread.**

*Preparation for Communion:*

**All:** **With this bread...**

**Priest:** Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

All: **With this wine...**

*Communion:*

Priest: The Body of Christ.

Communicant: **Amen.**

Minister: The Blood of Christ.

Communicant: **Amen.**

*Concluding rite: Blessing & Dismissal*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

**Service of Confirmation has been cancelled a new date will be made available as soon as it is known.**

**Wednesday Drop-in – is not operating at the moment, we will let you know when it is up and running again**

**The Coach Trip to York has been cancelled, refunds will be available from Androulla.**

**Walsingham National pilgrimage on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May, has been cancelled by the Shrine guardians.**

**In line with the guidance given by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Government there will be no public acts of worship till further notice. Your Clergy will keep the rhythm of prayer going and will keep you and the parish in their prayers. If you have any prayer requests please email them to clergy and feel free to call them should you want to talk about anything.**

**If you are on the electoral roll you will have heard from your clergy either by email or telephone. If you haven't heard from us then please send us your contact details.**

**We hope to give weekly updates and the Sunday service booklet will appear online so you can use the readings and keep up-to-date with all that is happening.**

**Although we cannot meet together for worship and to receive the Sacrament, this is a time in which we will discover anew what it means to know God's promise that he is always with us and that, in the words of St Paul, *'neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, not anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord'*.**

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***We pray for all who are ill, that God may grant them health and peace:***

George Booth, Kate, Seelah, Maureen Clements, Simon Payen, Shirley Angus, Augustus Olufunwa, Chris Zinzan, Doreen Lelliot, Bob Wood, Krystyna Hammil, Cicely Blalock, Androulla & Fannos Hadjiordani, Christopher Gibbons, Jazzmine Grimes, Emmanuel Kuye, Alexandra F Assis, Joshua Rattray, Elijah Blake, Jeffrey Blake, Victorine Clarke, Amy Harris, Thomas Hewitt, Geri Thompson, Mary Thompson, George Batley, Nancy Brittain, Sarah Reggerie, Jean Bjork, Ian Lennon, Kathleen Wale, Serena Forni, Naomi Brown, Derek Ogden, Lawrence Barrett, Dominic Swift, Jennifer Douglas Peter John Clements, Joan, Patience Mafunga, Jereline Simoms, Joy, Ayo Dumbuya, Ray and Pam Bennett, Dorren Norine, Beverley Pownall, Shola Adebawale, Una and Pat Murphy, Andrea Negri, Shane Claridge, Francis Burniston, James Ighodaro, Theresa Naish, Louiise, Anastasia, Allen, Jean Bromley, Angela Whyte, Josephine Baker, Saman Joseph, Marcus Cullen, Myrtle, Brenda la Rose, Joe Donkor, Dorothy, Brandon, Ronald, Edna Noel, Anita Atherley, Evelyn Baker, Vincent Booth, Derek Hugh, Ulric and Rita Thompson, Zena Godfrey

***for those who have died recently***

Jenny Walters

***and for all whose anniversary of death falls at this time:***

22nd March

Louisa Adams, Vi Welsford

26<sup>th</sup> March

Maud Fairweather

**St Michael's Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Christiana Ogunbayo

**The Blessed Sacrament Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Christiana Ogunbayo

**The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Rosemary Canjee and Christiana Ogunbayo

**Votive Candles** – If you have bought 7 day candles please sign the lists at the back of Church. If you would like to buy a candle for £2 in memory of a loved one please print the name to be remembered on the space available and pay either Kathy or Fr Ian