

# A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church



'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men'

Repent and believe the *Good News!*  
As Christians we have to review our lives in the  
light of the *Gospel*. This process goes on  
in our daily lives and we ask *God* to show his  
ways so that we may choose the right path.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2021

## Opening Sentence

O sing a new song to the Lord;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
In his presence are majesty and splendour,  
strength and honour in his holy place.

## 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.

**Almighty God,  
our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you,  
through our own fault,  
in thought and word and deed,  
and in what we have left undone.  
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past,  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sin,  
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,  
and keep us in life eternal,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Gloria (Stand)

**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 Liturgy of the Word**

### **Opening Prayer**

Almighty ever-living God,  
direct our actions according to your good pleasure,  
that in the name of your beloved Son  
we may abound in good works.  
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**

A reading from the prophet Jonah (3:1-5,10)

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

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

## **Responsorial Psalm 24(25):4-6,7b-9**

**R: Lord, make me know your ways.**

Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my saviour. **R:**

Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.  
In your love remember me.  
because of your goodness, O Lord. **R:**

The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
He guides the humble in the right path,  
He teaches his way to the poor. **R:**

## **Second Reading**

A reading from St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians (7:29-31)

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Alleluia**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
The kingdom of God is close at hand:  
repent, and believe the Good News.  
**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

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

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (1:14-20)

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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

## Sermon

### 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:** This holy night the angels sang,  
'Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace to all in whom he delights.'

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

### **Offertory Prayers**

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 for ever.**

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 our spiritual drink.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

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

**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**

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray,  
and in sanctifying them  
grant that they may profit us for salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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**

## **Preface**

Father, all-powerful and everliving God,  
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through his cross and resurrection  
he freed us from sin and death  
and called us to the glory that has made us  
a chosen race, a royal priesthood,  
a holy nation, a people set apart.  
Everywhere we proclaim your mighty works  
for you have called us out of darkness  
into your own wonderful light.

And so, with all the choirs of angels in heaven

we proclaim your glory  
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

**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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
Who in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying.  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying.  
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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of all,  
rejoicing at his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate the memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.  
Send the holy spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,

so that we, in the company of Holy Mary mother of God,  
St Michael and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## **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.  
For thine is the Kingdom, the power,  
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **Breaking of the 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**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;  
grant us peace.**

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the World.  
Happy 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.**

### **Communion Antiphon**

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
those who follow me will have the light of life.

*If watching the Mass online, we would encourage you to join in with the liturgy. At the point at which the clergy who are present receive Holy Communion you may wish to make an act of spiritual communion by using one of the following prayers:*

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you.  
**Amen.**

*Or*

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life and the one true vine. I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I seek you. I worship and adore you. Since I cannot receive you in the Eucharistic bread and wine, I pray that you will come into my heart and soul, that I may be united to you, by your all-powerful and ever-present Holy Spirit. Let me receive you, and be nourished by you. Become for me the manna in my wilderness, the bread of angels for my very human journey through time, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and solace in the hour of my death. I pray all this, trusting that you yourself are our Life, our Peace, and our everlasting Joy. **Amen.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, receiving the grace  
by which you bring us to new life,  
we may always glory in your gift.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**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.**

## **Blessing**

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

May your hearts be open to the word of the Lord.  
May your eyes follow the way of the Lord.  
May your feet walk confidently in the steps of the Lord.  
May the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Angelus**

The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary  
**And she conceived by the Holy Spirit**

Hail, Mary, full of grace  
The Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
Pray for us sinners, now,  
And at the hour of our death.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord  
**Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Hail Mary.....  
**Holy Mary.....**

And the Word was made flesh.  
**And dwelt among us**

Hail Mary.....  
**Holy Mary.....**

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

**That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts;  
That as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by  
the message of an angel, so by his Cross and Passion we may be  
brought to the glory of his Resurrection; Through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. **Amen**

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**Bounds Green food bank – wish list: -**

**Urgently** needed food items include tinned fruit/meat/fish/ sauces.  
tea bags, dried pasta/Rice uht milk, condensed milk.  
breakfast cereal, jam, honey, sugar and cleaning products.

Thank you to all who have given so far, it is much appreciated. We are pleased to accept any donations and pass them on to the food bank.

Thank you for the support it really is appreciated especially as we are feeding over 250 families each week. Revised opening days Tuesdays and Thursdays 2-4pm until further notice.

Today we are in danger of being drowned in bad news.  
Jesus began his ministry by announcing good news.  
What was that good news?  
That the kingdom of heaven had come.  
The kingdom stands for the fulfilment of the promises,  
the fullness of God's blessings,  
in short, the new order of things.  
Forgiveness is available. Recovery is possible.  
God's love is unconditional  
and is available to us in Christ.  
All we have to do is recognise our need,  
and seek his help with humility and sincerity.  
Unless we repent we can't hear the good news.

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

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

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

25 <sup>th</sup> January	Sid Parker
27 <sup>th</sup> January	Frank Taylor
28 <sup>th</sup> January	Eric Rowland

**St Michael's Candle:** Is burning for Joyce Chinwi in hospital

**The Blessed Sacrament Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Liline Ng Yu Tin

**The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Guy Ng Yu Tin