



A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Today in our *Gospel* we see that Jesus' forgiveness also brings his healing touch. God does not recall our past or our sinfulness but offers us the promise of a future filled with hope, joy and life.

Sunday 3rd April 2022

Opening Sentence

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

Opening Hymn: I will sing the wondrous story

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.

Penitential Rite

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of
God's Kingdom **Lord have mercy**

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness.
Christ have mercy

You will come in glory with salvation for your people.
Lord have mercy

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

The Liturgy of the Word

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God,
may we walk eagerly in that same charity
with which, out of love for the world,
your Son handed himself over to death.
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 Isaiah (43:16-21)

Thus says the Lord,
who made a way through the sea,
a path in the great waters;
who put chariots and horse in the field
and a powerful army
which lay there never to rise again,
snuffed out, put out like a wick:
No need to recall the past,
no need to think about what was done before.
See, I am doing a new deed,
even now it comes to light; can you not see it?
Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness,
paths in the wilds.
The wild beasts will honour me,
jackals and ostriches,
because I am putting water in the wilderness
(rivers in the wild)
to give my chosen people drink.
The people I have formed for myself
will sing my praises.

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

Gradual Hymn: How deep the Father's love for us

Responsorial Psalm 125(126)

R: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R:**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R:**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R:**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R:**

Second Reading

A reading from the St Peter to the Philippians (3:8-14)

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Now, now – it is the Lord who speaks –
come back to me with all your heart,
for I am all tenderness and compassion.

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 (8:1-11)

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and do not sin any more.'

This is the Gospel of Our Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Creed (Stand)

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: Jesus tells us:

‘If you bring your gift to the altar and then remember that your neighbour has something against you, first be reconciled with your neighbour and then offer your gift.’ (Mt. 5:24)

Christ 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 your spirit.

Offertory Hymn: Stand up, stand up for Jesu

Offertory Prayers

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

Hear us, almighty God,
and, having instilled in your servants
the teachings of the Christian faith,
graciously purify them
by the working of this sacrifice.
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 ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.
Through our observance of Lent
you correct our thoughts and raise our minds to you,
you help us grow in holiness,
and offer us the reward of everlasting life
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Now we join the angels and the saints
as they sing 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 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...**

We now come forward to receive Communion or a blessing

Communion Antiphon

Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord.
Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.

Communion Hymn: Brother, sister let me serve you,

Prayer after Communion

We pray, almighty God,
that we may always be counted among the members of Christ,
in whose Body and Blood we have communion.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever .**Amen**

Concluding rite

Blessing & Dismissal

Priest: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

Priest: Bless, O Lord, your people,
who long for the gift of your mercy,
and grant that what, at your prompting, they desire
they may receive by your generous gift.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Deacon: The Mass is ended, Go in peace.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

Final Hymn: Praise, my soul, the King of heaven!

The Angelus

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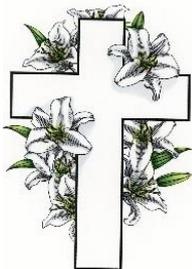
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Thank you for the continuing support towards the food bank. We have a box at the back of Church where you can place your donations, which will help people in our community.

Dates for your Diary

Palm Sunday	Sunday 10 th April
Maundy Thursday	14 th April
Good Friday	15 th April
Easter day	17 th April



If you would like to buy Flowers in memory of your loved ones, cost £5 each, please sign the list at the back of Church, payment to Pam Howett or Carol.

Holy Week begins next week on Palm Sunday, On Palm Sunday and Easter Day there will be **no 8.30am** in the hope that we can all join together as a Church family .We look forward to seeing you at the 10.15am on Palm Sunday and 10.30am on Easter Sunday.



Lenten Journey 2022

Sundays in Lent



Tuesdays in Lent

Mass 11am St Michael at Bowes

Followed by Lent Group bible study at St Michael at Bowes

Wednesdays in Lent

Mass 12noon

Silent prayer from 11.30am

Thursdays in Lent

Lent course 7pm SMWG

Fridays in Lent

Fast Day

Mass 5.30pm

Followed by breaking of the fast with spiced loaf and hot chocolate

Saturdays in Lent

Mass 12noon

Palm Sunday

Parish Mass with Palm Sunday procession 10.15am

6.30pm Stations of the Cross

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

Lurleen, Osita Nwakor, Christopher Gibbons, Georgia Cordell, Naomi Brown, Francis Ng Yu Tin, Baby Naira, Kathleen, Eric, Kate, Seelah, Maureen Clements, Jean Bjork, Simon Payen, Shirley Angus, Augustus Olufunwa, Chris Zinzan, Jazzmine Grimes, Claudette, Androulla & Fannos Hadjiordani, Ray and Pam Bennett , Emmanuel Kuye, Doreen Lelliot, Bob Wood, Krystyna Hammil, Cicely Blalock, Amy Harris, Jerry Moran, Daniel Sintin, Sally Sintin, Amie Samura, Marcus Cullen, Jennifer Douglas, Alexandra F Assis, Joshua Rattray, Victorine Clarke, Thomas Hewitt, Geri Thompson, Mary Thompson, Sarah Reggerie, Ian Lennon, Kathleen Wale, Serena Forni, Derek Ogden, Lawrence Barrett, Dominic Swift, Peter John Clements, Patience Mafunga, Jereline Simoms, Ayo Dumbuya, , Dorren Norine, Beverley Pownall, Shola Adebowale ,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, Myrtle, Brenda la Rose, Joe Donkor, Dorothy, Brandon, Ronald, Edna Noel, Anita Atherley, Evelyn Baker, Vincent Booth, Rita Thompson, Mark, Ogbonna Quarcoopme-Harper, Gabriel, Julie Zinzan, Margaret and Ted, Adeline, Carmel

for those who have died recently

Austin, Joe and Fananda,

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

3rd April Cecil Bowyer

7th April George Spreadbury

St Michael's Candle: Is burning in loving memory of Rosemary Canjee

The Blessed Sacrament Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Tina Beckett

The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Pakion Sunassee