

# **LANCASTER PRIORY**

**St Mary with St George and St John**

**A WELCOMING,  
INCLUSIVE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY,  
SERVING THE PEOPLE OF LANCASTER**



## **EUCCHARIST**

## **PASSION SUNDAY THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**18 March 2018  
at 10.00 am**

*A very warm welcome to all our visitors, especially if you are visiting us for the first time. Please join us for refreshments after the service. The Welcome, including Notices and Banns of Marriage, takes place just before 10.00am and is followed by a short period of silence. For the very young there are books and entertainment packs and a rug with soft toys available in the Refectory.*

President: The Revd Dr Rebecca Aechtner, Assistant Curate

Sermon: The Revd Canon Prof. John Rodwell, Hon. Associate Priest

Choir: Boys and ATB

Setting: Mass of the Quiet Hour (Oldroyd)

Readers: Rachel-Ann Powers; Jem Powers

Intercessor: Rosemary Rodwell

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Officiating: The Vicar Sermon: The Revd Dr Anderson Jeremiah, Associate Priest

**THE TRAIDCRAFT STALL  
WILL BE IN CHURCH THIS  
MORNING**

Services next Sunday, 25 March—Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Presiding: The Revd Steve Evans, Hon. Associate Priest

*Weather permitting, the Liturgy of the Palms begins in the Castle courtyard, where the donkey is waiting to be commandeered, but you may prefer to sit quietly in church until the procession arrives, with your own thoughts marking the beginning of this most holy week. Blessed Palms will be available for all at the end of the service.*

10.00am Priory Eucharist

Presiding/Sermon: The Revd Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Officiating: The Revd Dr Rebecca Aechtner, Assistant Curate

Sermon: Mrs Lois Kirtley, Reader



*If you contribute to the Priory through the committed Giving Scheme, please take a yellow card, which you can find near the entrance to the church, to put into the collection Plate.*

**THE SERVICE SHEET THIS WEEK  
IS SPONSORED BY  
STEPHEN AND BARBARA GARDNER  
TO CELEBRATE JAMES' BIRTHDAY ON 21 MARCH  
AND JAMES AND VICKY'S RECENT ENGAGEMENT**

**AND BY**

**SYLVIA BAXTER  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY DEAR MUM,  
MARY (97 YEARS YOUNG)  
WHO DIED ON 17 MARCH 2017**

**THE WELCOME and Notices** – The Revd Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster  
*Please join in the singing of the hymns and in saying the words in **bold type**.*

**INTROIT:** 507 (*Lent prose*)

*We stand at the entry of the ministers to sing the opening **HYMN** (92)*

**There is a green hill far away,**

*Mrs CF Alexander (1818-95)*

*The priest greets the congregation:*

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

**Amen.**

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

*The junior members of our congregation gather at the chancel steps and after a prayer they go to their classes.*

*The deacon invites us to confess our sins*

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners,  
Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our  
sins in penitence and faith.

**Lord God,**

**we have sinned against you;  
we have done evil in your sight.**

**We are sorry and repent.**

**Have mercy on us according to your love.**

**Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.**

**Renew a right spirit within us**

**and restore us to the joy of your salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

**THE CHOIR SINGS THE KYRIE**

*Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us,  
Lord have mercy upon us.*

*The priest pronounces the*

**WORDS OF ABSOLUTION**

The God of love bring you back to himself, forgive you your sins,  
and assure you of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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.**

## Please sit for THE FIRST READING

*(Jeremiah 31.31-34)*

*A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah*

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

For the word of the Lord      **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the*

## GRADUAL HYMN (63)

**All ye who seek a comfort sure**

*Tr Edward Caswall (1814-78)*

## THE SECOND READING

*(Heb. 5.5-10)*

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews*

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

For the word of the Lord      **Thanks be to God**

## THE GOSPEL

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation:*

*Cantor:*      Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

*Cantor:* Many of those standing by saw what Jesus did, and they believed in him.  
**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

*Deacon:* The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*(John 12. 20-33)*

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

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

**SERMON** The Revd Canon Prof. John Rodwell, Hon. Associate Priest.

## **THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**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 and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who 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.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*These responses may be used*

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

*Leader:* Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## *All stand for* **THE PEACE**

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us, and as a  
pledge of what is to come has given us the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**and also with you.**

*Deacon:* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace.*

## **THE OFFERTORY**

*The Gifts are brought to the Altar. The collection is taken as the*

### **HYMN (LP13)**

**There's a wideness in God's mercy**

*F.W. Faber 1814-1863*

*The priest prepares the bread and wine*

God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love.  
Accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Please remain standing, if you feel able, until after we have recited the Lord's Prayer  
together and seen the bread broken before us.*

## **THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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.**

It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and singing:

## **THE CHOIR SINGS THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS**

*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.*

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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. So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

*Deacon:* Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death,  
Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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

*(each in our own language)*

**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 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.**

*Please kneel or sit as*

## **THE CHOIR SINGS THE AGNUS DEI**

*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.*

*The priest invites the congregation to receive communion*

Jesus said, 'This is my body, given for you.' Come. Take. Eat.

## **THE GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*All Christians who are members in good standing of their own denominations are invited to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer to receive a Blessing, please bring this order of service with you. If you require a gluten free wafer please bring a green card which you can find near the entrance to the church.*

*During the Communion the choir sings the anthem: Ave verum corpus (Byrd)*



Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine,  
Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine,  
Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine,  
Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary,  
Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for mankind,  
Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood,  
Be for us a foretaste In the test of death.

*and then, still sitting, we sing ...*

**HYMN (83)**

**Glory be to Jesus,**

*Tr Edward Caswall (1814-78)*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**HYMN (94)**

**We sing the praise of him who died,**

*Thomas Kelly (1769-1854)*

*The priest gives*

**THE BLESSING**

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

*Deacon:* Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Organ Voluntary: Prelude on the Passion Chorale (Bach)*

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