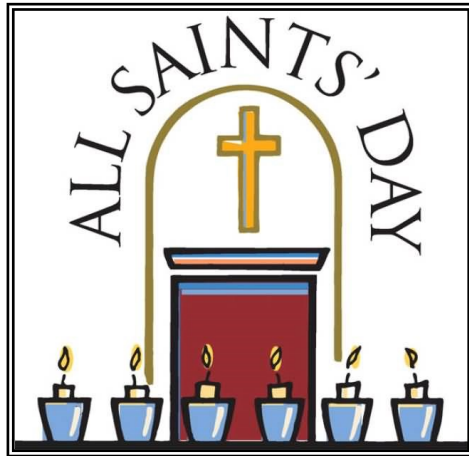


# LANCASTER PRIORY

St Mary with St George and St John

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



**PRIORY EUCHARIST**

**ALL SAINTS' DAY**

**1 November 2020  
at 10.00 am**

*A very warm welcome to all our visitors, especially if you are visiting us for the first time. There will be many of our church family who will not yet feel able to worship with us in church—though they will continue to join us as we live-stream the service as we have done for the last months.*

*We are also much constrained in what we are able to do to ensure the safety of all who are present in the Priory today.*

*It is mandatory to wear face masks in the Priory. You will be guided to your seats by a steward, and we ask you to take your seat in the pew to which you are guided.*

*Unfortunately, singing is not yet permitted, so there will be no hymns, though we are able to appreciate the organ—and now the choral music. The collection plate will be at the back of Church or you can make an electronic payment, or join our Planned Giving Scheme.*

*Holy Communion will be given (only in one kind) at the chancel step, please follow the direction of the stewards, and keep social distancing as you line up and return to your seat via the side aisles.*

*At the end of the service, please wait, as we will be leaving church starting with the back rows first. (unless you wish to stay to the end of the organ voluntary.)*

*Due to the new restrictions please do not socialise after the service.*

*We continue to do all we can to ensure the safety of our congregation members, and are grateful for your patience as we work through these challenging times together as the people of God in this place.*

President: The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

Sermon: The Revd Canon John Roff, Hon. Associate Priest

Choir Setting: Missa Brevis (Dove)

Readers: Sue Clark, Barbara Gardner

Intercessor: Andrew Nicholson

Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist

Offertory: Ava Maria Stella (Dupré)

Final Voluntary: Prelude on 'Let saints on earth in concert sing' (Parry)

6.30pm All Souls' Requiem Eucharist

Officiant: The Vicar

Services next Sunday 8 November—Remembrance Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Celebrant: The Vicar

10.00am Priory Eucharist

Presiding: The Revd Canon Paul Warren, Hon. Associate Priest

Sermon: The Revd Dr Gary Bowness

11.30am Civic Remembrance Service

President & Sermon The Vicar

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Vicar



## **THE WELCOME and Notices** – The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

*Please join in saying the words in **bold** type.*

*The choir and clergy enter as the organist plays the introit.*

*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.**

No Christian is solitary. Through baptism we become members one of another in Christ, members of a company of saints whose mutual belonging transcends death. All Saints' Day and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on the feast of All Souls' both celebrate this mutual belonging. All Saints' Day celebrates men and women in whose lives the Church as a whole has seen the grace of God powerfully at work. It is an opportunity to give thanks for that grace, and for the wonderful ends to which it shapes a human life; it is a time to be encouraged by the example of the saints and to recall that sanctity may grow in the ordinary circumstances, as well as the extraordinary crises, of human living. The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed celebrates the saints in a more local and intimate key. It allows us to remember with thanksgiving before God those whom we have known more directly: those who gave us life, or who nurtured us in faith.

*Deacon:* Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Your faithful servants bless your name  
and speak of the glory of your kingdom:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

*The President declares the **ABSOLUTION***

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE CHOIR SINGS THE GLORIA

*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 COLLECT

Let us pray that we may be strengthened by our communion with all the saints.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
**Amen.**

*Please sit for*

## THE FIRST READING

*A reading from the Book of the Revelation of John*

*(Rev 7. 9-end)*

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

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

## PSALM 34.1-10

***O taste and see that the Lord is gracious***

*I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.  
My soul shall glory in the Lord;  
let the humble hear and be glad.*

*O magnify the Lord with me;  
let us exalt his name together.  
I sought the Lord and he answered me  
And delivered me from all my fears.*

*Look upon him and be radiant  
and your faces shall not be ashamed.  
This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.*

*The angel of the Lord  
encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.  
O taste and see that the Lord is gracious;  
blessed is the one who trusts in him.*

*Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones,  
for those who fear him lack nothing.  
Lions may lack and suffer hunger,  
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.*

***O taste and see that the Lord is gracious***

## THE SECOND READING

*A reading from the first letter of Paul to John*

*(1 John 3.1-3)*

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

## THE GOSPEL

*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation:*

*Cantor:* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,  
God's own people, called out of darkness into his marvellous light.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

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

*Deacon:* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

*(Matthew 5.1-12)*

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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

## SERMON

### THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**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

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God,  
through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who  
were far off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

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

*All may exchange a sign of peace*

## THE OFFERTORY

*The Gifts are brought to the Altar.*

*The priest prepares the bread and wine*

Lord Jesus,  
you nourish us at the table of your word and the table of your sacrament;  
as we feed on you, the bread of life, may we daily grow into your likeness.  
**Amen.**

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

## THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you  
Lift up your hearts.

**And also with you.  
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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And now we give you thanks, most gracious God, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses and glorified in the assembly of your saints. The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of prophets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. We, your holy Church, acclaim you. In communion with angels and archangels, and with all who served you on earth, and worship you in heaven, we raise our voice to proclaim your glory, 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.*

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

*Deacon:*

Great is the mystery of faith;

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

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, and



with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

With saints and martyrs through the ages, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray: *(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.**

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 is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed 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.**

## **THE GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*All Christians who are members in good standing of their own denominations are invited to receive Holy Communion (only the Bread). Please follow directions from the stewards and maintain social distancing as you line up. Holy Communion is received from the priest at the chancel step, as the communion wafer is placed on your palm. 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: O Quam Gloriosum - Victoria.  
O quam gloriosum est regnum, in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes  
Sancti! Amicti stolis albis, sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.  
O, how glorious is the kingdom, in which all the saints rejoice with Christ!  
Arrayed in white robes, they follow the Lamb, wherever He goes.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:  
may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims  
here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast  
on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*The priest gives*

## **THE BLESSING**

God, who has prepared for us a city with eternal foundations,  
give you grace to share the inheritance of the saints in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

*Deacon:* Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth,  
go in the peace of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE SERVICE SHEET THIS WEEK  
IS SPONSORED BY JACKIE GARNETT  
IN MEMORY OF  
STEPHEN, OLIVER, ANDREW, JAMIE AND HAYLEY**

**The Priory is taking a big hit from a drop in visitor income, venue income, and service collections.**

**If your income is keeping up, please consider using the barcode to make a donation to the work of the Priory.**

**We share a great sense of thanksgiving for all that God is inspiring around us in these difficult times.**



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