

LANCASTER PRIORY

St Mary with St George and St John

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



**ALL SOULS' DAY SERVICE,
1 NOVEMBER 2020
at 6.30 pm**

**Holy Communion and
Commemoration of the
Faithful Departed**

A very warm welcome to Lancaster Priory, especially if you are visiting us for the first time.

President: The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster
Choir: Full Choir
Setting: Fauré
Reader: Rod Aveyard
Intercessor: Dawn Cheetham

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.

*One family, we dwell in him,
One Church, above, beneath;
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death. (Charles Wesley)*

All Saints' Day (November 1st) and the commemoration of the Faithful Departed on All Souls' Day both celebrate this mutual belonging. Our service today 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.

Redemption is a work of God's grace; it is God who redeems us in Christ and there is nothing to be done beyond what Christ has done. But we still wait for the final consummation of God's new creation in Christ; those who are Christ's, whether they have passed through death, are joined in prayer that God's kingdom will finally be revealed in all its fullness. We also sense that it is a fearful thing to come before the unutterable goodness and holiness of God, even for those who are redeemed in Christ; that it is searing as well as life-giving to experience God's mercy; and this instinct is also expressed in the liturgy of All Souls' Day.

from "Common Worship, Times and Seasons"

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.

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

The choir enters in silence. Please stand as the choir sings :

The Introit and Kyrie

*Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.*

*Te decet hymnus Deus in Sion,
et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem,
Exaudi orationem meam,
ad te omnis caro veniet.*

*Kyrie eleison;
Christe eleison;
Kyrie eleison.*

*Grant them eternal rest, O Lord,
and give unto them thine eternal light.
To thee are hymns offered in Sion,
and vows performed to thee in Jerusalem,
Hear my prayer,
to thee all flesh shall come.
Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.*

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.

God has shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Christ.
But we have this treasure in frail earthen vessels
to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us.
As we acknowledge our human frailty,
we call to mind our sins of word, deed, and omission,
and confess them before God our Father.

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and our neighbour,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light.
Amen.**

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray for the peace and well-being of the whole Church.

Eternal God, our Maker and Redeemer
grant us, with all the faithful departed,
the sure benefits of your Son's saving Passion
and glorious resurrection,
that, in the last day when you gather up all things in Christ,
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God,
now and for ever.
Amen.

All sit for

THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

Wisdom 3.1-9

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

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

The choir sings

HYMN

*The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.*

*My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill:
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.*

*My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint
and my cup overflows.*

*Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.*

Please stand for

THE GOSPEL READING

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

It is the will of him who sent me, says the Lord,
that I should lose none of all that he has given me,
but raise them up on the last day.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Deacon The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to St John

Glory be to you, O Lord.

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

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

All sit for the

THE SERMON The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

All stand for

THE 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 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 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.**

Please kneel or sit for

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray to the Lord who has conquered death.
Jesus, Bread from heaven, you satisfy the hungry with good things. Grant us a share with all the faithful departed in the banquet of your kingdom. Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, the light of the world,
You gave the man born blind the gift of sight:
open the eye of faith and bring us from darkness
to your eternal light and glory. Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, Son of God, you summoned your friend Lazarus from death to life: raise us at the last to full and eternal life with you.
Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, crucified Saviour, in your dying you entrusted each to the other, Mary your mother and John the beloved disciple: sustain and comfort all who mourn. Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus our way and truth and life,
You drew your apostle Thomas from doubt to faith:
reveal the resurrection faith to the doubting and the lost.
Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church,
living and departed in the Lord Jesus,
to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom.
Amen.

All stand for the

THE PEACE

Jesus says: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I give you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.
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

All sit for the

Offertorium

Choir:

*O Domine Jesu Christe, Rex gloriae,
libera animas defunctorum
de poenis inferni, et de profundo lacu:
libera eas de ore leonis,
ne absorbeat eas tartarus,
ne cadant in obscurum.*

*Hostias et preces tibi,
Domine, laudis offerimus:
tu suscipe pro animabus illis,
quarum hodie memoriam facimus:
fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam,
Quam olim Abrahae promisisti
et semini eius. Amen.*

*O Lord Jesus Christ, King of Glory
free the souls of the dead
from pains of hell and the deep pit:
free them from the lion's mouth,
and do not let Hell swallow them,
nor let them fall into darkness.*

*Sacrifices and prayers of praise,
to thee, O Lord, we offer:
receive the souls of those,
whom we remember today
let them pass from death to life,
as once you promised to Abraham
and his seed. Amen.*

Dear friends,
pray that our sacrifice of thanks and praise may be
acceptable to God the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at our hands,
for the praise and glory of his name, for our good,
and the good of all His Church.**

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.
We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who for love of our fallen race humbled himself,
and was born of the Virgin Mary by the power of your Spirit,
and lived as one of us.
And now we give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord
In him who rose from the dead our hope of resurrection dawned.
The sting of death has been removed by the promise of his risen life.
Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of
praise:

Sanctus

Choir:

<i>Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,</i>	<i>Holy, holy, holy,</i>
<i>Dominus Deus sabaoth!</i>	<i>Lord God of Hosts!</i>
<i>Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua</i>	<i>Heaven and earth are full of thy glory</i>
<i>Osanna in excelsis</i>	<i>Hosanna in the highest.</i>

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 gave it to them, 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.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary
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.

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.**

Jesus is the living bread which came down from heaven.
If anyone eats of this bread, they will live for ever.

Lord, give us this bread always.

Choir:

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi,

*Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world.*

Dona eis requiem.

Grant them rest.

Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine

Give them eternal light, O Lord,

Cum sanctis tuis in aeternum,

with thy saints for ever

Quia pius es.

for thou art merciful.

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine,

Grant them rest eternal, O Lord

Et lux perpetua luceat eis.

And give them eternal light.

I am the bread of life, says the Lord.

'Whoever comes to me will never hunger,
whoever believes in me will never thirst'.

I am the vine, and you are the branches.

May we dwell in him as he lives in us.

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Libera me

Choir:

*Libera me, Domine,
de morte aeterna,
in die illa tremenda:
Quando caeli movendi sunt et terra:
Dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem.*

*Tremens factus sum ego, et timeo,
dum discussio venerit, atque ventura ira.
Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis et miseriae.*

*Dies magna et amara valde
Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine:
et lux perpetua luceat eis.*

*Free me, Lord,
from eternal death,
on that terrible day
when earth and heaven will shake
and thou wilt come to judge the
world with fire.
I stand in fear and trembling
when destruction and anger shall come.
That day, the day of wrath, calamity
and misery.
That great and exceedingly bitter day
Grant them eternal rest, O Lord,
and enlighten them with eternal light.*

THE COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power.
**for you have created all things,
And by your will they have their being.**

You are worthy, O Lamb, for you were slain,
and by your blood you ransomed for God
saints from every tribe and language and nation.
**You have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God
And they will reign with you on earth.**

The names of those to be remembered are read aloud.

After all the names have been read, silence is kept.

This is the will of him that sent me,
That I should lose nothing of all that he has given me.
and I will raise them up at the last day.

Pie Jesu

*Pie Jesu, Domine, Merciful Lord Jesus,
Dona eis requiem sempiternam Grant them eternal rest*

Lord God, creator of all,
you have made us creatures of this earth,
but have also promised us a share in life eternal.
According to your promises,
may all who have died in the peace of Christ
come with your saints to the joys of your kingdom,
where there will be neither sorrow nor pain, but life everlasting.

Alleluia. Amen.

God of love, may the death and resurrection of Christ,
which we have celebrated in this eucharist
bring us, with all the faithful departed,
into the peace of your eternal home,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In Paradisum

Choir:

<i>In paradisum deducant te angeli in tuo adventu suscipiant te martyres et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem. Chorus angelorum te suscipiat et cum Lazaro quondam paupere Aeternam habeas requiem.</i>	<i>May the angels lead you in Paradise at your coming may martyrs receive you and may they lead you into the holy city, Jerusalem. May the choir of angels receive you and with Lazarus, who once was poor, May you have eternal rest.</i>
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May God give to you his comfort and his peace,
his light and his joy, in this world and the next;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you, now and always.
Amen.

Deacon Our Eucharist is ended.
Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary: Élégie (Louis Vierne)

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