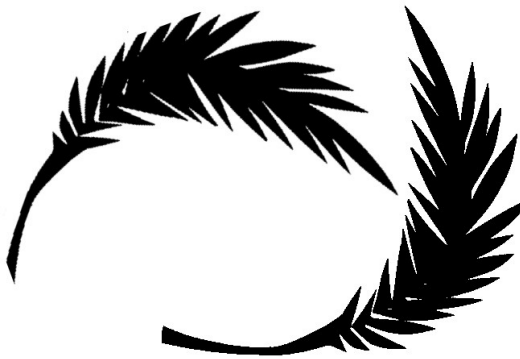


LANCASTER PRIORY

St Mary with St George and St John

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



PRIORY EUCHARIST
PALM SUNDAY

**5 April 2020
at 10.00 am**

A very warm welcome to everyone who is joining us “virtually” through the streaming on our Facebook page.

You are welcome to have some bread and wine prepared which you may wish to share so that we may join together in this act of eating and drinking in remembrance of Jesus, as the priest consecrates the bread and wine of the Holy Communion.

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster
Cantor: Jacob Clark
Reader: Dr David Cheung
Music: Plainsong appointed for Palm Sunday

(NB: Fr Chris, David, and Jacob are all resident in the Priory Vicarage for the duration of the present crisis, so we are fully compliant with the regulations both of The Government and the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.)

A Prayer to use during this present crisis.

*Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us
from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.*

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

**Liam Aspden ,Alan Bateson, Esme Bradbury,
Vona Corbet, Ian Corbet, Bron England, Wendy Foster,
Anne Goulding, Michael Greenhalgh, Christine Heywood, Brooke Hunter,
Marilyn Kenny, Joan Pinches, The Revd John Reeves, Richard Thompson,
Violet Houghrain and Gordon Tyson.**

The Vicar welcomes everyone who is joining in our act of worship today.

Priest: The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection.

Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world.

Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again.

Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

The palms are held up to be blessed.

Priest: God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and die, + bless these palms + and let them be a sign of his victory. Grant that we who bear them in his name may reach the happiness of the new and everlasting Jerusalem by faithfully following him, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.

The account of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem is now read: (Matthew 21.1-11)

Priest: When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

Let us praise Jesus our Messiah as did the crowds who welcomed him into Jerusalem.

Cantor: *Hosanna filio David: Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Rex Israel.
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed be the King of Israel
who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, in the highest heavens.

Priest: Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, I
n the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please sit for **THE READING**

A reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah

(Isaiah 50.4-9a)

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the
weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens— awakens my ear to listen as those
who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not
turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who
pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my
face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let
them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of
them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I trust in you, O Lord, for you are my God.

Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, my soul
and my body also. For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my
strength fails because of my affliction, and my bones are consumed.

I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbours, an object of
dread to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they flee from me. I am
forgotten like one that is dead, out of mind.; I have become like a broken vessel.

For I have heard the whispering of the crowd.; fear is on every side: they scheme
together against me, and plot to take my life. But my trust is in you , O Lord, for I have
said, you are my God.

My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me. Make your face to shine upon your servant, and save me for your mercy's sake.

I trust in you, O Lord, for you are my God.

THE PASSION GOSPEL

*You are welcome to join in **the parts in bold**.*

Evangelist The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Evangelist One of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,

Judas What will you give me if I betray him to you?

Evangelist They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus.

Disciples Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?

Jesus Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'

Evangelist So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said,

Jesus Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.

Evangelist And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another,

Disciples Surely not I, Lord?

Jesus The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.

Evangelist Judas, who betrayed him, said,

Judas Surely not I, Rabbi?

Jesus You have said so.

Evangelist While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said,

Jesus Take, eat; this is my body.

Evangelist Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying,

Jesus Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

Evangelist When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them,

Jesus You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.

Evangelist Peter said to him,

Peter Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you.

Jesus Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.

Peter Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Evangelist And so said all the disciples.
Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

Jesus Sit here while I go over there and pray.

Evangelist He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them,

Jesus I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.

Evangelist And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed,

Jesus My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want.

Evangelist Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

Jesus So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Evangelist Again he went away for the second time and prayed,

Jesus My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.

Evangelist Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them,

Jesus Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.

Evangelist While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people.
Now the betrayer had given them a sign:

Judas The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him.

Evangelist At once he came up to Jesus and said,

Judas Greetings, Rabbi!

Evangelist and kissed him.

Jesus Friend, do what you are here to do.

Evangelist Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the

slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

Jesus Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?

Evangelist At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

Jesus Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled.

Evangelist Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward.

Witnesses This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'

Evangelist The high priest stood up and said,

Caiaphas Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

Evangelist But Jesus was silent.

Caiaphas I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.

Evangelist Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

Caiaphas He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?

Priests He deserves death.

Evangelist Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him.

Priests Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?

Evangelist Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said,

Servant Girl1 You also were with Jesus the Galilean.

Evangelist But he denied it before all of them,

Peter I do not know what you are talking about.

Evangelist When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the

Servant Girl2 This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.

Evangelist Again he denied it with an oath,

Peter I do not know the man.

Evangelist After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter,

***Bystanders* Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.**

Evangelist Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

Peter I do not know the man!

Evangelist At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: 'Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor. When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders.

Judas I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.

Priests What is that to us? See to it yourself.

Evangelist Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said,

Priests It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money.

Evangelist After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, 'And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me.'

Evangelist Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him,

Pilate Are you the King of the Jews?

Jesus You say so.

Evangelist But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him,

Pilate Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?

Evangelist But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them,

Pilate Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?

Evangelist For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgement seat, his wife sent word to him,

Pilate's wife Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.

Evangelist Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them,

Pilate Which of the two do you want me to release for you?

Crowd **Barabbas.**

Pilate Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?

Crowd **Let him be crucified!**

Pilate Why, what evil has he done?

Crowd **(louder) Let him be crucified!**

Evangelist So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd.

Pilate I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.

Crowd **His blood be on us and on our children!**

Evangelist So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him.

Soldiers **Hail, King of the Jews!**

Evangelist They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.'

Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads.

Passers by yourself! **You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save if you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.**

Evangelist In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him.

Priests He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'

Evangelist The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in

the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,
Jesus Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?
Evangelist That is, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,
Bystanders **This man is calling for Elijah.**
Evangelist At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said,
Bystanders **Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.**
Evangelist Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said,
Centurion Truly this man was God's Son!
Evangelist Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb. The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,
Priests Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.' Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead', and the last deception would be worse than the first.
Pilate You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.
Evangelist So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.
Evangelist This is the Passion of the Lord.

No response is made.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We are with Christ in his suffering.

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death,
and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may
grow a rich union in Christ,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, that
our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for
justice and peace,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation, that they may find
support and encouragement,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure, or sorrow, feel
that God is far from them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we, with those who have died in faith, may find mercy in the day
of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

THE PEACE

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been
brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you ,
and also with you.

THE OFFERTORY *The Gifts are brought to the Altar.*

Cantor: Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis. Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum, et dedit illi nomen quod est super omne nomen.

Christ became obedient for us unto death, even to death on the cross.
Therefore God exalted him
and gave him a name which is above all names.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience,
sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory; through Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Amen.

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:

Cantor:

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

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.

Priest: 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

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Cantor: **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 INVITATION

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 COMMUNION

Cantor *Hymn to Christ the King*

GLORIA, laus et honor tibi sit, Rex Christe, Redemptor:

Cui puerile decus prompsit Hosanna pium.

Israel es tu Rex, Davidis et inclyta proles:

Nomine qui in Domini, Rex benedicte, venis.

Coetus in excelsis te Laudat caelicus omnis,

Et mortalis homo, et cuncta creata simul.

Plebs Hebraea tibi cum palmis obvia venit:

Cum prece, voto, hymnis, adsumus ecce tibi.

All glory, laud, and honour, to thee Redeemer King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's Royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name cometh, the King and blessed one.

The company of angels are praising thee on high,
And mortal men and all things created make reply.

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went,
Our prayers and praise and anthems before thee we present

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

The priest gives the Blessing

May Christ draw you to humility and worship,
and bring you to see God at work;
and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
be with you through his Passion,
and remain with you for evermore.

Amen

Go in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.

Glory, thanks and praise to God.

**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.**

