

# **LANCASTER PRIORY**

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

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



**PRIORY EUCHARIST**  
**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
**THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**

**8 November 2020**  
**at 10.00 am**

President and Sermon: The Revd Canon Chris Newlands, Vicar of Lancaster

10.50am Remembrance Day Service will be broadcast online  
There will be 2 minutes silence at 11.00am this morning.

Choral Evensong at 6.30pm will be broadcast online  
Officiant: The Vicar



Services next Sunday 15 November—The Second Sunday Before Advent

10.00am Priory Eucharist—live streamed only  
Presiding: The Vicar  
Sermon: The Revd Carol Backhouse, Vicar of Christ Church, Lancaster

4.00pm Family Eucharist—live streamed only  
President & Sermon The Vicar

6.30pm Choral Evensong—live streamed only  
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**THE SERVICE SHEET THIS WEEK  
IS SPONSORED BY RICHARD & AWENA CARTER  
TO CELEBRATE  
THEIR GRANDAUGHTER ZOE'S 12<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY  
ON 6 NOVEMBER**

## THE WELCOME and Notices -

*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 deacon invites us to confess our sins*

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,  
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry 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 grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.**

**Amen.**

*The priest pronounces the*

### **WORDS OF 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.**

### **WE SAY 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

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; 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 READING

*The first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians*

*(1 Thess 4.13-18)*

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words. 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**

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.  
**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 25.1-13)

Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

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

**SERMON** The Vicar

## **THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
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**

To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind all together and complete the whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule 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 may exchange a sign of peace*

## **THE OFFERTORY**

*The Gifts are brought to the Altar.*

*The priest prepares the bread and wine*  
*The congregation responds to each petition:*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*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, our duty and our joy, that we should always sing of your glory, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For you are the hope of the nations, the builder of the city that is to come. Your love made visible in Jesus Christ brings home the lost, restores the sinner and gives dignity to the despised. In his face your light shines out, flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one in your kingdom a divided and broken humanity. Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation we glorify your name, for ever praising you and *singing*:

## **WE SAY THE SANCTUS & 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:* This 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.**

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*

## WE SAY 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 COMMUNION

*As an Act of Spiritual Communion, you may wish to give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with you now by saying this prayer:*

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,  
may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,  
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom  
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:  
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,  
and by your healing power make whole both people and nations;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*The priest gives*

## THE BLESSING

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will,  
that you may reign with him 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:* Our Eucharist is ended, let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**



*In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:*

**Liam Aspden, Gwendolen Boyd-Wasson, Esme Bradbury, Matt Clark,  
Vona Corbet, Ian Corbet, Bernice Dalton, Bron England, Wendy Foster,  
Stephen Gardner, Anne Goulding, Michael Greenhalgh,  
Christine Heywood, Marilyn Kenny, Joan Pinches,  
Brenda Storrie, Richard Thompson, and Gordon Tyson.**

**6.30 pm**

**OFFICIANT : The Vicar**

**CANTICLES: Dyson in D**

## **CHORAL EVENSONG**

**PSALM: 82**

**RESPONSES: Ayleward**

**ANTHEM: *Evening Hymn* (Balfour Gardiner)**

**HYMN: 492 (O God of earth and altar (Kings Lynn))**

**VOLUNTARY: *Elegy* (Coleridge-Taylor)**



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## REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

**8 NOVEMBER 2020 10.50 am**

*with contributions from*

**The Lord Shuttleworth KG, KCV0  
HM Lord Lieutenant of Lancashire**

**The Rt Worshipful Cllr Malcolm Thomas  
Mayor of Lancaster**

**County Councillor Susie Charles  
The Chairman of Lancashire County Council**

**The Very Revd Steven Pearson,  
Dean of St Peter's Roman Catholic Cathedral, Lancaster**

**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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