

# **LANCASTER PRIORY**

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

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



## **PRIORY EUCHARIST THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**6 June 2021**

**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 continue to join us on the live-stream . To ensure the safety of all who are present in the Priory it is still mandatory to wear face masks unless exempt for medical reasons.*

*Please use the pews marked green and respect social distancing regulations when you take your seat.*

*Unfortunately, as singing is not yet permitted there are no hymns, though we are able to appreciate the organ and the choir. 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, keeping social distancing as you line up and return via the side aisles to your seat.*

*We are encouraged to restrict socialising to outside the church after the service. We are grateful for your continued patience .*

President: The Revd Keith Brockbank, Hon. Associate Priest  
Sermon: The Revd Michael Fielding, Hon. Associate Minister  
Readers: David Lewis, Barbara Gardner  
Intercessor: Sue Clark  
Organist: Ian Pattinson FRCO, Priory Organist  
Introit: *Lobe den Herren* (Reger)  
Offertory: *Nun danket all und bringet Ehr* (Pattinson)  
Final Voluntary: *Prelude on 'Hyfrydol'* (Vaughan Williams)  
Choir setting: *Westmorland Mass* (Pattinson)  
4.00pm Family Service. President: The Revd Canon Paul Warren  
6.30pm Choral Evensong (BCP) and Benediction  
Officiant: The Revd Canon Paul Warren, Hon. Associate Priest

#### Services next Sunday 13 June—Trinity 2

8.00am Holy Communion  
President: The Revd Steven Evans, Hon. Associate Priest  
10.00am Priory Eucharist  
President: The Revd Canon Paul Warren, Hon. Associate Priest  
Sermon: The Revd Canon Brenda Harding, Hon. Associate Priest  
6.30pm Choral Evensong (BCP)  
Officiant: The Revd Keith Brockbank, Hon. Associate Priest

## **THE WELCOME and Notices -**

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

*We stand at the entry of the ministers.*

*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*

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden,  
to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

**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 to us the joy of your salvation;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **THE CHOIR SINGS THE KYRIE**

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

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

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

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

*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.**

## 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

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our moral nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

*Please sit for ...*

## THE FIRST READING

*A reading from the Book Genesis*

*(Gen. 3. 8-15)*

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

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

## THE CHOIR SINGS PSALM 130

*Out of the depths have I cried to you, O Lord.*

Out of the depths have I cried to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice;  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.  
If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss,  
O Lord, who could stand?  
But there is forgiveness with you,  
so that you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;  
in his word is my hope.  
My soul waits for the Lord,  
more than the night watch for the morning,  
more than the night watch for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord,  
for with the Lord there is mercy;  
With him is plenteous redemption  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

*Out of the depths have I cried to you, O Lord.*

*Please sit for ...*

## THE SECOND READING

*A reading from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Letter of Paul to the Corinthians* (2Cor 4.13-5.1)

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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**

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord.  
No one comes to the Father except through me.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia**

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

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

*(Mark 3 20-end)*

Then Jesus went home and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

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

**SERMON** The Revd Michael Fielding

## 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**

'Where two or three are gathered together in my name,'  
says the Lord, 'there am I in the midst of them.'

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 gives thanks for 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 said the Lord's  
Prayer, 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.**

You are worthy of our thanks and praise, Lord God of truth, for by  
the breath of your mouth you have spoken your word, and all  
things have come into being. You fashioned us in your image and  
placed us in the garden of your delight. Though we chose the path  
of rebellion you would not abandon your own. Again and again  
you drew us into your covenant of grace. You gave your people the  
law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of  
justice, mercy and peace. As we watch for the signs of your  
kingdom on earth, we echo the song of the angels in  
heaven, evermore 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.

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.**

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.**

## 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

*Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer 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: God be in my head (Rutter)*

*God be in my head, and in my understanding;  
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;  
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;  
God be at mine end, and in my departing.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

*The priest gives*

## **THE BLESSING**

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; 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.**



## **A Prayer during the Vacancy at Lancaster Priory**

**Almighty God,  
in the company of your saints,  
in the footsteps of those who have worshipped here before us,  
we, your pilgrim people of Lancaster Priory  
wait upon your Spirit in calling a priest to your service here.  
Bless our Patrons and Patronage Committee,  
our PCC and all concerned for this appointment.  
With those who feel drawn to serve you in this place,  
help us to discern your purpose,  
nourish our hopes for our new life together,  
prepare us afresh for witness to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**



**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 QR code 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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