

The Solemnity of Easter Day



Sunday 31st March 2024 10am Parish Mass

Celebrant and Preacher: Fr Gary Waddington, Team Rector

Welcome

Welcome to the parish mass.

Please join in all the parts marked in **bold print** to say or sing together. We welcome all who are baptized and confirmed or admitted to communion to receive the Sacrament at this mass. Please follow the direction of the stewards.

If you're not baptized, or don't receive communion, you may approach the priest, bow your head, and ask for a blessing – otherwise, please remain in your seats.

Please keep silence during this important and holy moment, so that others around you may pray in peace.

Please do not receive from the chalice if you are unwell, recovering from colds, flu or Covid or have mouth ulcers or broken lips.

Please do not 'intinct' the host (that is, dip it in the chalice).



There is a loop system - please turn hearing aids to "T"



Please make sure that your mobile phone is switched off.



Before mass begins, we keep **silence**, remembering that we're in the presence of God, who we've come to worship.



Lavatories can be found to the left of the Hall lobby for gentlemen; or for ladies, through the sets of double doors at the rear of the hall.



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Please do be aware of the needs of others around you – and respect those who wish to maintain their own personal space. Face coverings may be worn.



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Music today:

Voluntary:Sarabande for the Morning of EasterHerbert HowellsGloria:Communion ServiceMartin HowMass Setting:Mass in GFranz SchubertPsalm:Ps 118Kris Thomsett

Communion Motet: Let all the World
Organ Voluntary: Toccata en ré major pour grand-orgue

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Marcel Lanquetuit

At 9.55am, the congregation are welcomed, any essential notices given, and this prayer is said:

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The bell is rung. We stand to sing the hymn:

The Hymn

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hath won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy Body lay.
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hath won.

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hath won.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
Life is nought without thee, aid us in our strife,
Make us more than conquerors
through thy deathless love;
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hath won.

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► In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

From God our Father, who broke the bonds of death and raised our Lord Jesus Christ from the tomb: grace, mercy and peace be with you all.

And also with you.

Alleluia, Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, alleluia!

The Principal Celebrant invites the people to reflect on their sins.

The Sprinkling with Baptismal Water

God our Father, your gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth; in baptism it is a sign of the washing away of our sins and the gift of life eternal.

Accept this water, we pray: renew the living spring of your life within us, that we may be free from sin and filled with your saving health; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Principal Celebrant sprinkles the people, whilst the following is sung:



I saw water flowing from the right side of the temple, Alleluia, Alleluia R./

And all to whom this water came were saved and shall say, alleluia.

R./

It brought salvation and the people sang in joyful praise: Alleluia, alleluia

R./

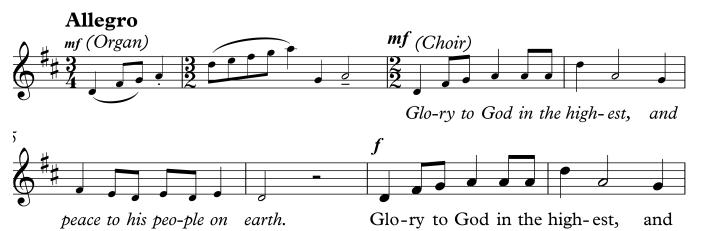
Lord Jesus Christ from your wounded side flowed streams of living water, alleluia.

R./

Life giving water bring joy and salvation, alleluia, alleluia R./
Stretch forth your hand, holy church of God, and welcome us in, alleluia R./

May Almighty God cleanse us of our sins, and through the Eucharist we celebrate, make us worthy to sit at the banquet of his heavenly kingdom Amen.

The Gloria







The Opening Prayer

Let us pray that we may show forth in our lives the joy of this Easter Day.

Silence is kept

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and for ever.

Amen.

The First Reading

Acts 10: 34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

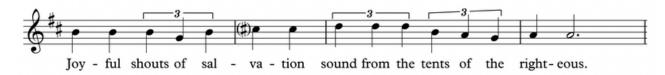
Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118



O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

His mercy endures for ever:

Let Israel now proclaim,

'His mercy endures for ever.'

R./

The Lord is my strength and my song,

And he has become my salvation.

Joyful shouts of salvation

Sound from the tents of the righteous.

R./

'The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds; the right hand of the Lord raises up; The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds.'

I shall not die, but live

And declare the works of the Lord.

R./

The stone which the builders rejected

Has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

R./

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

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

The Easter Sequence

Lift your hearts this Easter morning, cry the victory of Christ whom the Paschal lamb foreshadowed, sinless victim sacrificed.

Life and earth in mortal combat at his sepulchre contend, see life's champion rise triumphant, see the ancient darkness end.

From the empty tomb returning, Mary brings the joyful word; folded shroud and angel's witness; not among the dead the Lord.

Christ our hope is truly risen, first of many brethren he leads the Father's flock from exile, homeward, reconciled and free.

Living Lord, we know your glory, see the brightness of your face; now to us, your pilgrim people send your strong and gentle grace.

Words by Kevin Nichols (based on 11th-century Easter sequence)

The Gospel Acclamation

Stand

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

You are the Christ ever-lasting, born for us all of a Virgin You have conquered death, opened heaven to all believers!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew,'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." 'Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The homily Sit

Profession of Faith

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

Stand

After each section, the intercessor says:

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

After the prayers for the departed:

Rest eternal grant to them O Lord.

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

We ask Mary the Mother of Jesus to pray to the Father for us as we say:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

A period of silent prayer is kept. The Principal Celebrant says a final prayer to which all respond:

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The Risen Christ came and stood amongst his disciples and said:

"Peace be with you."

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

You are welcome to exchange a sign of peace with those immediately near you. Please respect the wishes of those who may not wish to do so.

The Hymn

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King: Who hath washed us in the tide Flowing from his piercèd side; Praise we him whose love divine Gives the guests his blood for wine, Gives his body from the feast, Love the Victim, love the Priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Christ, the Lamb whose blood was shed,
Paschal Victim, Paschal Bread!
With sincerity and love
Eat we Manna from above.

Mighty Victim from on high,
Powers of hell beneath thee lie;
Death is broken in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light.
Now thy banner thou dost wave,
Conquering Satan and the grave.
See the prince of darkness quelled;
Heaven's bright gates are open held.

Paschal triumph, Paschal joy, Only sin can this destroy; From sin's death do thou set free, Souls reborn, dear Lord, in thee. Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father unto thee we raise. Risen Lord, all praise to thee, Ever with the Spirit be.

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The Prayer Over The Gifts

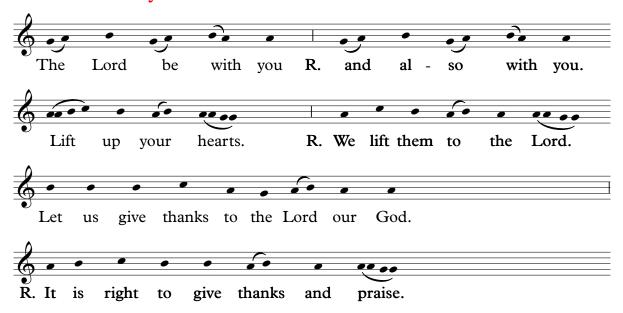
Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this our sacrifice, may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

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

Lord, with Easter joy we offer you the sacrifice by which your Church is reborn and nourished through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer



It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but on this day above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

The choir sing the Sanctus:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Remain Standing

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 Mary the Virgin Mother of God, Joseph her spouse most chaste, Wilfrid our patron and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.



Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,



in the unity of the Ho-ly Spi-rit,



all honour and glory are yours, O lov-ing Fa-ther,



for ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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 Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Grant us peace.

The Invitation

Behold the Lamb of God, Jesus the Paschal Sacrifice, who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are invited to share in the banquet of the Lamb.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you: but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, alleluia.

All Christians who are baptized and who are confirmed or have been admitted to Communion, are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at this mass.

The Prayer After Communion

Stand

Let us pray

God of life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; Through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

The Notices

The Blessing of the Easter Garden and Easter Eggs

Blessed are you, O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In your great mercy you have given us new birth into a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. We ask you now to bless this Easter Garden, and these eggs that we who celebrate Christ's victory here may be strengthened in faith, know the power of his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory, for he is alive and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Solemn Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you And also with you

May Almighty God bless you on this solemn feast of Easter, and may he protect you against all sin.

Amen.

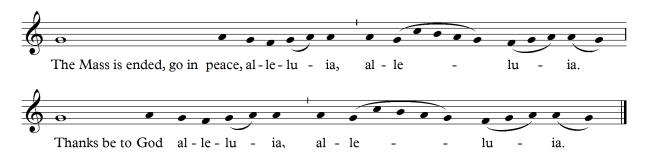
Through the resurrection of his Son, God has granted us healing. May he fulfil his promises, and bless you with eternal life. **Amen**.

You have mourned for Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joy of his resurrection. May you come with joy to the feast, which lasts for ever. Amen.

May almighty God bless you,

★ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



An improvisation follows while the clergy and servers move to the image of Mary, the Mother of Jesus. All then sing:

The Regina Coeli

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia. He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia. As he promised, has arisen, alleluia, Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray
O God, who by the resurrection of your Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ has brought joy to the whole world.
Grant that by the intercession of his Mother
the Blessed Virgin Mary
we may come to share the joy of everlasting life.
Through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

The Voluntary

You are welcome to remain in your seats to listen to the voluntary if you wish.

If leaving, please do so quietly.

For your prayers

Those who are acutely ill or undergoing treatment: Paul Baverstock; Hillary Brown; Douglas Clarke; Vivien Eaves; Fr Ian Johnston; Pauline Laffey; John O'Connor; Brian Thornley; HM The King.

The long term sick and all who care for them: Anne Broadbent; Kim Cannon; Clare Elliston; Fiona Hamilton; Jean Holliday; David Hewson; Christopher Hines; Brenda Morgan; Adrian Nowland; David Simister; Judith Thomas; Richard Thomas; Margaret Thornley; Nelson Walmsley.

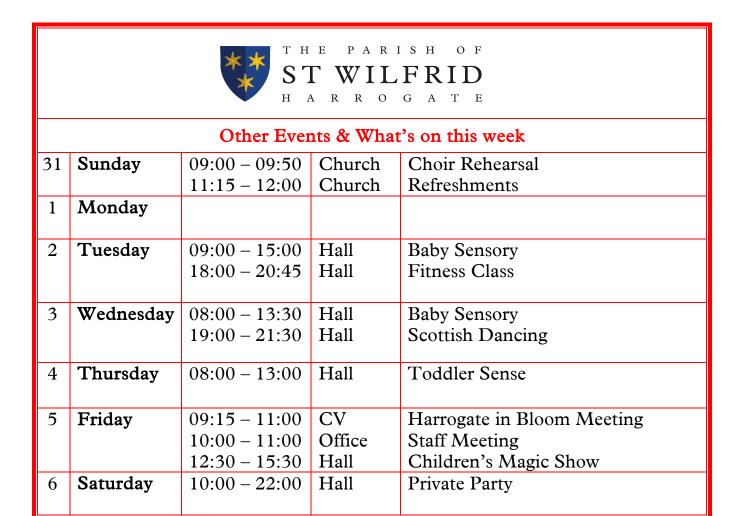
The Recently Departed: Tina Blenkarn; Noreen Walters.

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week: John Donald MacLennan [Sunday]; Ian Pettit, priest; John Addison; Janet Paley [Monday]; Ron Carrick; Teresa Monaghan, Deacon [Tuesday]; Richard Percy Beckworth [Wednesday]; John Dickinson, priest; Ronald Holliday [Friday]; Peggy Hoskyns-Abrahall [Saturday].

We pray for all who live or work within the parish:

Sunday	Butterbur Way; Columbine Grove; Teasel Grove; Sorrel Grove; Borage Road; Petty Whin Close
Monday	Sweet Briar; Gentian Glade; Sallow Heath; Cornel Rise; Woodruff Close; Juniper Way
Tuesday	Bluebell Meadow; Speedwell Glade; Saltergate Drive; Yarrow Drive; Saffron Meadow; Azerley Grove
Wednesday	Sundew Heath; Stone Bramble; Carline Mead; Winter Green; Barberry Close; Comfrey Close
Thursday	Larkspur Grove; Pennywort Grove; Burley Bank; Burley Avenue; Burley Lane; Burley Bank Road
Friday	Hartwith Way; Hartwith Drive; Hartwith Close; Norwood Grove; Sutton Grange Close; Littlethorpe Close
Saturday	Grantley Drive; Lindrick Way; Oakdale Place; Ripon Road; Oakdale Avenue; Spruisty Road

Parish Notices





Services this week

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31	Sunday Easter Day	10am 4pm	Parish Mass Preacher: Fr Gary Waddington, Team Rector Solemn Evening Prayer & Benediction	We pray for: The parish and its people
1	Monday in Easter Week	6pm 6.30pm	Mass Evening Prayer	We pray for: The newly Baptised
2	Tuesday in Easter Week	6pm 6.30pm	Mass Evening Prayer	We pray for: The newly confirmed
3	Wednesday in Easter Week	11am 6pm 6.30pm	Mass Mass Evening Prayer	We pray for: The Renewal of the Church
4	Thursday in Easter Week	6pm 6.30pm	Mass Evening Prayer	We pray for: To grow in faith
5	Friday in Easter Week	6pm 6.30pm	Mass Evening Prayer	We pray for: To witness to the faith
6	Saturday in Easter Week	9.30am	Morning Prayer	We pray for: Catholic Societies
7	Easter II – Low Sunday	10am	The Parish Mass	We pray for: The parish and its people



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