



ST MARGARET'S ILKLEY



High Mass
on the Seventh Sunday of Easter

Sunday 17 May 2026, 10.45 am

WELCOME

You are very welcome to St Margaret's today. If it is your first time with us, please introduce yourself to the clergy and welcomers. Please see the separate pew sheet for the church diary and notices of upcoming services and events.

Please note that our service is broadcast on our YouTube channel, but only those in the first few rows at the front will occasionally be visible. The administration of holy communion is not broadcast. Please speak to one of the welcomers if you have any questions.

Eastertide. The Great Fifty Days of Eastertide form a single festival period in which the tone of joy created at the Easter Liturgy is sustained through the following seven weeks, and the Church celebrates the gloriously risen Christ.

Early Christians gave the name Pentecost to this whole fifty-day span of rejoicing. It is sometimes also called 'Great Sunday.' The Paschal Candle, lit from the new fire during the Easter Liturgy, stands prominently in church for all the Eastertide services. The 'alleluia' appears frequently in liturgical speech and song, and white or gold vestments and decorations emphasize the joy and brightness of the season.

On the fortieth day there has from the late fourth century been a particular celebration of Christ's Ascension. He commissions his disciples to continue his work, he promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, and then he is no longer among them in the flesh.

The arrival of the promised gift of the Holy Spirit ten days later on the day of Pentecost ('fiftieth day'), often referred to as the 'birthday of the Church,' completes and crowns the Easter Festival.

THE GATHERING

Stand at the sound of the bell, and turn to face the font

GREETING

Priest † In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The priest welcomes the congregation and introduces the liturgy

ACT OF PENITENCE

On the Sundays of Easter, the prayers of penitence are replaced by the sprinkling with water blessed at the Easter Liturgy, as a symbol of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ

Priest 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.

And so we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all who have been baptized in your name. Cleanse us from our sins, keep us faithful to our baptismal promises, and renew the living spring of your life within us; through Christ our risen Lord.

All **Amen.**

The procession moves through the church and the priest sprinkles the people with the blessed water as we sing the hymn

HYMN

351 *Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem*

Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem,
Cleave the skies with shouts of praise;
Sing to him who found the ransom,
Ancient of eternal days,
God eternal, Word incarnate,
Whom the heaven of heaven obeys.

Ere he raised the lofty mountains,
Formed the sea, or built the sky,
Love eternal, free, and boundless,
Forced the Lord of life to die,
Lifted up the Prince of princes
On the throne of Calvary.

Now on those eternal mountains
Stands the sapphire throne, all bright,
With the ceaseless alleluias
Which they raise, the sons of light;
Sion's people tell his praises,
Victor after hard-won fight.

Bring your harps, and bring your incense,
Sweep the string and pour the lay;
Let the earth proclaim his wonders,
King of that celestial day;
He the Lamb once slain is worthy,
Who was dead, and lives for ay.

Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
One in love, and One in splendour,
While unending ages run. Amen.

Job Hupton and J M Neale

*Melody set to Unser Herrscher in
Alpha und Omega by Joachim Neader*

hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

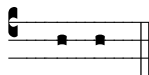
with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, † in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

COLLECT

Priest Let us pray.

Silence is kept

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



All Amen.

Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 1. 6 - 14

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.'

Reader For the word of the Lord:
All **thanks be to God.**

Stand

HYMN 332 (omit *) *All hail the power of Jesu's name*

All hail the power of Jesu's name;
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
To crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him Lord of all.

Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call;
The God incarnate, Man divine,
And crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue
To him their hearts enthral,
Lift high the universal song,
And crown him Lord of all.

Edward Perronet and others

W Shrubsole

Turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it is carried in procession

GOSPEL READING

John 17. 1 - 11

Choir Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.



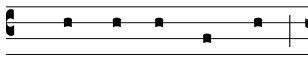
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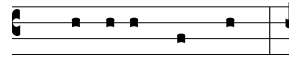
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord. I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

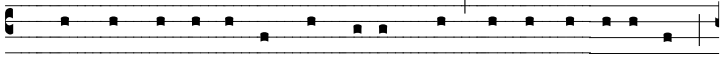
All **Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.**



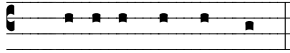
Deacon The Lord be with you.



All And also with you.



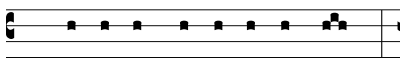
Deacon † Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St John.



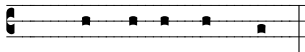
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.'



Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord.



All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Turn back as an organ fanfare is played

Sit after the prayer

HOMILY

ORGAN REFLECTION

Stand

CREED

Priest We believe in one God,
All **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

Priest Let us pray to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has raised him from the dead and seated him at his
right hand in the heavenly places.

Kneel

One of these responses, or other suitable responses, may be used:

I:	II:	III:
Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.	Lord, hear us: Lord, graciously hear us.	Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

The prayers may conclude with the Angelic Salutation ('Hail Mary'):

**All Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou amongst 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.**

At the end:

Priest Heavenly Father, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan, and upon the disciples in the upper room: in your mercy, fill us with your Spirit.

**All Hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever.
Amen.**

Stand

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

PEACE

Priest The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace. If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit. Alleluia.

**All Alleluia. The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.
And also with you. Alleluia.**

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace with their neighbours

During the hymn the altar is prepared and a collection is taken

- *Cash may be given via the bags circulated during the hymn*
- *To donate digitally, please use the card reader by the entrance to church, or scan the QR code at the end of this order of service with your phone*
- *Please consider making a regular donation to support the work of our church. Thank you for your gift.*

1. At the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

2. At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders
In their great array.

3. Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious
When from death he passed:

4. Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

5. In your hearts enthrone him;
There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.

6. Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With the Father's glory,
With his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

Caroline Noel

W H Monk

TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

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

**All 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 holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Priest Father, by your Holy Spirit you keep the Church in unity and truth. As we break bread together, may we be one with Christ in faith and hope and love, now and for ever.

All Amen.

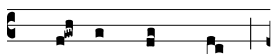
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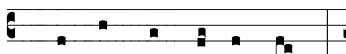
Priest The Lord be with you.



All And also with you.



Priest Lift up your hearts.



All We lift them to the Lord.



Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Priest It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For he is our great high priest who has entered once for all into the heavenly sanctuary, evermore to pour upon your Church the grace and comfort of your Holy Spirit. He is the one who has gone before us, who calls us to be united in prayer, as were his disciples in the upper room while they awaited his promised gift, the life-giving Spirit of Pentecost. Therefore all creation yearns with eager longing as angels and archangels sing the endless hymn of praise:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Charles Villiers Stanford in B flat

Choir Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

† Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

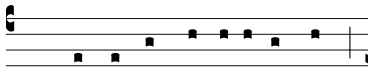
Kneel

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

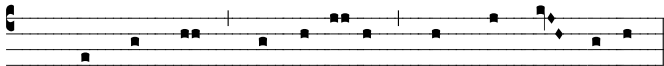
Priest Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread 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.



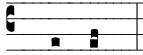
Deacon Great is the mystery of faith.



All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Priest 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.

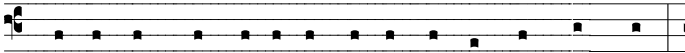
Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.



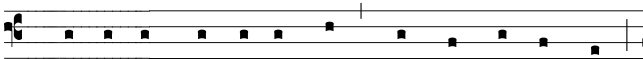
All Amen.

Silence is kept

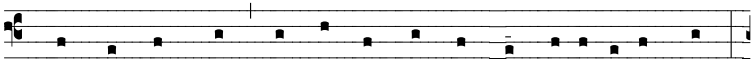
LORD'S PRAYER



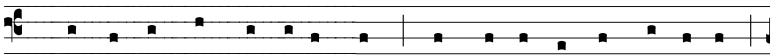
Priest Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:



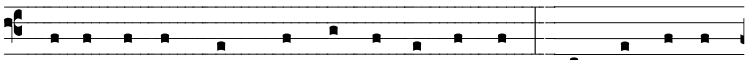
All Our Father, who art in heav'n, hallowed be thy name;



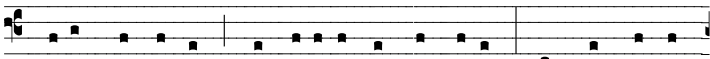
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heav'n.



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.

AGNUS DEI

Charles Villiers Stanford in B flat

Choir O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest † Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The priest and people receive communion

- *If you are not a member of the Church of England, but normally receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so here*
- *If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bring this booklet with you and hold it in your hands*
- *If you are currently unconfirmed in your faith and would like to enter more deeply into your relationship with God, please speak to the priest about the sacrament of confirmation after the service*

The choir sings during the administration of communion

MOTET *Never weather-beaten sail*

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore,
Never tired pilgrims' limbs affected slumber more,
Than my weary sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.

Ever blooming are the joys of heaven's high paradise.
Cold age deafs not there our ears, nor vapour dims our eyes.
Glory there the sun outshines, whose beams the blessed only see:
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee!

Thomas Campion

Richard Shephard

Remain seated for the hymn

HYMN 448 (tune 195) *Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness*

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness,
Wake your noblest, sweetest strain,
With the praises of your Saviour
Let his house resound again;
Him let all your music honour,
And your songs exalt his reign.

Sing how he came forth from heaven,
Bowed himself to Bethle'm's cave,
Stooped to wear the servant's vesture,
Bore the pain, the cross, the grave,
Passed within the gates of darkness,
Thence his banished ones to save.

So, he tasted death for all men,
He, of all mankind the head,
Sinless one, among the sinful,
Prince of life, among the dead;
Thus he wrought the full redemption,
And the captor captive led.

Now on high, yet ever with us,
From his Father's throne the Son
Rules and guides the world he ransomed,
Till the appointed work be done,
Till he see, renewed and perfect,
All things gathered into one.

Alleluia to the Father,
Alleluia to the Son,
Alleluia to the Spirit,
Ever three and ever one,
One in love and one in glory,
While unending ages run. Amen.

John Ellerton

From S Webbe's Motetts or Antiphons 1792

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest Let us pray.

Stand

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

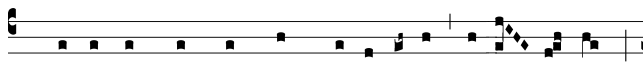
BLESSING

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing of God almighty, † the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.



Deacon Go in the peace of Christ. Al-le-lu-ia, al- le - lu- ia.



All Thanks be to God. Al-le-lu-ia, al- le - lu- ia.

HYMN 443 *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

Rejoice, the Lord is King,
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above:
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given:

He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet:

Charles Wesley

Melody and bass by G F Handel

ORGAN *Cornet voluntary op 7 no 7*

John Stanley

Please stay for refreshments in the Parish Hall

***Please take this booklet home with you as an
aid for prayer and reflection through the week***

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