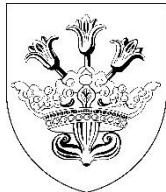




The Parish Church of St Mary Portsea



**Sung Eucharist
for
The Baptism of the Lord
Welcome to St Mary's Fratton Road**



If you have any concerns, then please raise them as soon as you can with those at the West End of the Church.

Please note that we do sometimes take photographs during services for use on social media etc. If this would cause you a problem, please let those at the West End know.

Hail to the Lord's anointed!
Great David's greater Son;
hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free;
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity

He comes with succour speedy
to those who suffer wrong;
to help the poor and needy,
and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and dying,
were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth:
before him on the mountains
shall peace the herald go;
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.

Hymn

Kings shall fall down before him,
and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him,
his praise all people sing;
to him shall prayer unceasing
and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing,
a kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious,
he on his throne shall rest,
from age to age more glorious,
all-blessing and all-blest:
the tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his name shall stand for ever;
that name to us is Love.

James Montgomery 1771-1854 Tune: CRÜGER

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

We offer praise to God as we echo the Angels' Song

Choir Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

All sing Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King almighty God and Father.

Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

We worship you, **glory in the highest.**

Give you thanks, **glory in the highest.**

Praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

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;

have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

receive our prayer,

receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

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 glory of God the Father.

Glory to God, glory in the highest.

Peace to his people, peace on earth.

Amen.

Amen.

Coventry Gloria by Peter Jones

We pray to God

The Priest prays the collect of the day

Amen

We sit to listen to God's word

We hear a reading from the Old Testament or the Epistles

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

The Choir will sing a Psalm or Carol

We stand for the Gospel acclamation

Choir Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,

All sing Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Someone is coming, said John, someone greater than I.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

We hear the Gospel

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ...

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end ...

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ

We sit for the Sermon

We prepare for the Baptism

Those to be baptised and their Parents and God parents gather at the Altar

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.

We thank God for ...

who has come to be baptised today.

Christ loves him and welcomes him into his Church.

So I ask you all:

Will you support this child as he begins his journey of faith?

We will.

Will you help him to live and grow within God's family?
We will.

The Priest addresses the parents and Godparents

God knows each of us by name and we are his.
Parents and Godparents, you speak for ... today.
Will you pray for him and help him to follow Christ?

Parents and Godparents **We will**

We renew our promises

The Priest addresses the parents and Godparents and, today, as we recall our own Baptism invites all who are baptised to renew our own Baptismal Promises.

We all wander far from God and lose our way:
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.
In baptism we respond to his call.
Therefore I ask:

Do you turn away from sin?
I do.
Do you reject evil?
I do.
Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I do.
Do you trust in him as Lord?
I do.

The Signing with the Cross

The Priest, using oil blest by the Bishop for this purpose,

Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.
Do not be ashamed of Christ. You are his for ever.

**Stand bravely with him against all the powers of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

Amen.

The Water is Blessed

The Priest asks God to bless the water for the baptism

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Priest says the prayer of blessing.

We profess our faith

Brothers and sisters, let us affirm,
together with these who are being baptised,
our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

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

Those to be baptised have water poured over them three times. After a prayer the Priest sprinkles the congregation with water from the font to remind them of their Baptism and the renewal of their commitment today. Those baptised return to the Altar with the Priest. As you are sprinkled it is tradition to make the sign of the cross.

During the sprinkling we sing:

Now is eternal life,
if risen with Christ we stand,
in him to life reborn,
and, held within his hand;
no more we fear death's ancient dread,
in Christ arisen from the dead!

For God, the living God,
stooped down to share our state;
by death destroying death,
Christ opened wide life's gate.
He lives, who died; he reigns on high;
who lives in him shall never die.

Unfathomed love divine,
reign thou within my heart;
from thee nor depth nor height,
nor life nor death can part;
our life is hid in God with thee,
now and through all eternity.

G.W. Briggs (1875-1959) ed. Tune: Christchurch

At the end of the hymn the Priest says

There is one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism:

NN, by one Spirit

we are all Baptized into one Body.

We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;

we are children of the same heavenly Father;

we welcome you.

We share Christ's love and peace

After the introduction

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All And also with you.

Be aware of Christ's peace with you and reflect on what you can do to share that peace with others

We offer our lives to Christ

The gifts of bread and wine are offered. If you wish to make a donation as a sign of your offering to God there are collection plates by the Font for you to use as you leave the service.

(For those sharing in the live stream please contact us for details of how to donate via BACS)

As the Altar is prepared we sing the hymn

Just as I am, without one plea
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O lamb of God, I come,

Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings within, and fears without,
O lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:
because thy promise I believe,
O lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am (thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down),
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliott 1789-1871

Tune: Saffron Walden

At the end of the hymn a prayer is offered at the end of which
All Amen

We thank God

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.

The Priest offers thanks to God ending :

All sing **Holy, holy, holy, Lord,**
God of power and God of might,
heaven and earth, heaven and earth
are full of your glory,
your power and might.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.

Blessed, blessed is he who comes,
blessed, blessed is he who comes,
blessed is he, blessed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, etc etc

Paul Inwood: Gathering Mass

The Priest continues praying that the Spirit may come upon the gifts and recalling the action of Jesus at the Last Supper

Christ is the bread of life:
when we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.

The Priest continues the prayer, at the end all respond

Amen.

We pray as Jesus 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.
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.**

We break the bread

We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

**All God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Choir Jesus, Lamb of God, the Word made flesh:
Jesus, Son of God, come down on earth:

All sing **Hear our prayer, have mercy;
hear our prayer have mercy;
give us your peace.**

Jesus, King of glory, Prince of Peace:
Jesus shining in our darkened world:
Hear our prayer etc

Jesus, King of angels, Lord of joy:
Jesus born to save the world from sin:
Hear our prayer etc

Jesus is the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to His supper
**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

As communion is distributed, wherever you are, pray that you may be aware of Christ's presence with you and that you will be blessed and comforted by it

During Communion the Choir will sing an anthem.

At the end of Communion we all sing the Communion hymn

The sinless one to Jordan came
to share our fallen nature's blame;
God's righteousness he thus fulfilled
and chose the path his Father willed.

Uprising from the waters there,
the voice from heaven did witness bear
that he, the Son of God, had come
to lead his scattered people home.

Above him see the heavenly Dove,
the sign of God the Father's love,
now by the Holy Spirit shed
upon the Son's anointed head.

How blest that mission then begun
to heal; and save a race undone;
straight to the wilderness he goes
to wrestle with his people's foes.

Dear Lord, let those baptised from sin
go forth with you, a world to win,
and send the Holy Spirit's power
to shield them in temptation's hour.

On you shall all your people feed
and know you are the Bread indeed,
who gives eternal life to those
that with you died, and with you rose.
G.B. Timms, 1910-1997 Tune PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

We say thank you

All Amen

There will be some notices given

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

The Priest gives God's blessing

We are blessed

We sing the final hymn

We sing the following hymn as the Clergy, the newly baptized and their parents and godparents return to the font.

God is love: his the care,
tending each, everywhere.
God is love, all is there!
Jesus came to show him,
that mankind might know him!

Sing aloud, loud, loud!
Sing aloud, loud, loud!
God is good! God is truth!
God is beauty! Praise him!

None can see God above;
we can share life and love;
thus may we Godward move,
seek him in creation,
holding every nation.

Refrain

Those baptised are given a Baptism Candle, lit from the Paschal Candle

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.
**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

We have come to Christ the living water
Go in the light and peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God

Refreshments are available near the Font.

Acknowledgments

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