Newton Heath
All Saints' Parish Church
With St Wilfrid's, St Ann and St Cuthbert's
Sunday 15th November, 2nd Sunday before Advent
Also Safeguarding Sunday
10.00 am Sung Eucharist

On deposit or on show?



Words change their meaning and associations over time. However, with the Parable of the Talents, today's Gospel reading, that's a real help, not a hindrance.

The most ancient meaning of a 'talent' was a denomination (unit or measurement) of weight. It could be and often was a precious metal. It could be exchanged for goods or services. Its weight and its value were high. In our terms, that value would run to hundreds of pounds. Thus, even the slave with only one 'talent' had been given something of high value to look after.

As the English language was coming into its stride in the C15, in 1430 or so we see the term 'talent' used in association with personal qualities: a power or ability of mind or body viewed as divinely entrusted to a person for use and improvement. Of course, this was the intention of the figure of speech in the parable. However, it's interesting to note where the word comes from.

Over four centuries later, Charles Kingsley reminds us: "Remember that your talents are a loan from God." (*Letters* 1878)

We all have them, and we all ought to use them, and not stash them away either through sloth and laziness, or out of fear. The Body of Christ needs them.

Fr A

Welcome to the Eucharist from the Greek word *eucharistia,* which means 'thanksgiving'.
(also known, commonly) as Holy Communion or The Mass)

This act of worship is a partnership between the priest and the people who:

- greet each other in the Lord's name
- confess their sins and, if repentant, are assured of God's forgiveness
- keep silence and pray a Collect
  (a special prayer or collection of thoughts for that day)
- proclaim and respond to the word of God in scripture and reflect on it
- pray for the Church, the world and those in need
- exchange the Peace (this should be a simple gesture, not a major interruption to the flow of the service)
- prepare the table (it is only a table, but it becomes an altar)
- pray the Eucharistic Prayer (listen along and pray, and over time these words will become more familiar to you.
- break the bread (which recalls Christ's body, broken on the Cross)
- ·receive communion (or a blessing instead)
- depart with God's blessing, to go in peace to love and serve the Lord

If you have arrived very late, relax! Sit still and make your confession knowing God understands and loves you. Then read the Gospel, and join us in full when you are ready.

SAFEGUARDING



Music before the service

Es Woll' uns Gott genädig sein Pachelbel
(May God have mercy on us)

The Processional Hymn

1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Your glory fills the night;
Your face and garments, like the sun,
Shine with unborrowed light.

2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Your beauty to behold,
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Your messengers of old.

3 Fulfiller of the past!
Promise of things to be!
We hail your body glorified,
And our redemption see.

4 Before we taste of death,
We see your kingdom come;
We long to hold the vision bright,
And make this hill our home.

5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
But since you bid us leave the mount,
Come with us to the plain.

J. Armitage Robinson
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

The president says:

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

Prayer of Preparation

Please sit or kneel.

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.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world; its pride, its selfishness, its greed;
its evil distortions and hatreds.
Let us confess our share in what is wrong,
and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for all his children.

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 us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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

Gloria in Excelsis

Please stand

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

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power

and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Zephaniah 1.7, 12-13

7 Be silent before the Lord God!
For the day of the Lord is at hand;
the Lord has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.
12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who rest complacently on their dregs,
those who say in their hearts,
'The Lord will not do good,
nor will he do harm.'
13 Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

5Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. 2For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; 5for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. 6So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake

and be sober; [7]for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. [8]But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9]For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10]who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. [11]Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

Gradual Hymn

Lord, you are our home and dwelling,
through the ages of the earth.
Well before the hills were forming,
writhing in the pains of birth,
from forever to forever
you are God who called them forth.

Lord, return towards your servants;
how much more will you delay?
Fill us with your loving kindness,
in the morning with the day.
So may we rejoice before you,
ever singing as we pray.

Gospel Reading

As you are able, please stand

Alleluia, alleluia.
Stay awake, praying at all times
for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of man.
Alleluia.

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

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

14 ‘For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and
entrusted his property to them; [15]to one he gave five talents, to another two,
to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. [16]The one
who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and
made five more talents. [17]In the same way, the one who had the two talents
made two more talents. [18]But the one who had received the one talent went
off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. [19]After a long
time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. [20]Then
the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more
talents, saying, “Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made
five more talents.” [21]His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy
slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of
many things; enter into the joy of your master.” [22]And the one with the two
talents also came forward, saying, “Master, you handed over to me two
talents; see, I have made two more talents.” [23]His master said to him, “Well
done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things,
I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master.” [24]Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward,
saying, “Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not
sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; [25]so I was afraid, and I
went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.” [26]But
his master replied, “You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap
where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? [27]Then you ought to
have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have
received what was my own with interest. [28]So take the talent from him, and
give it to the one with the ten talents. [29]For to all those who have, more will
be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing,
even what they have will be taken away. [30]As for this worthless slave, throw
him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of
teeth.”
Matthew 25.14-30

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

Gradual Hymn part 2

Gladden us for all the trouble,
days of toil and years of pain.
Show your servants, God, the splendour
of your work, and loving reign.
Lord, establish our endeavour,
prosper all our work again.

(Verses from Psalm 90, metrically translated by Adam Carilill. Tune *Rhuddlan*)

The Sermon

The Creed

**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

Please sit or kneel

United in the company of all the faithful
and looking for the coming of the kingdom,
let us offer our prayers to God,
the source of all life and holiness.

Cycle of Prayer
Our bishops: David, Mark and Matthew
The Anglican Communion
Iglesia Anglicana de Chile
Porvoo Communion
Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church
Diocese of Rochester.
Schools and Colleges
All Saints; St Wilfrid's; Briscoe Lane Academy; Christ the King;
Co-op Academy Broadhurst; Trinity High School; Bowdoin College, Maine;
Churchill College, Cambridge; University of Coventry; Edge Hill University;
Xaverian Sixth Form College; Oldham Sixth Form College.
Parish
Assheton Road, Audax Walk, Averill Street, Ballentine Street, Baltimore Walk,
Bardsley Street. .

Book of Remembrance
Eugene Kennedy; Albert Moss; Thomas Hodson; Harry Wharram; William Gorst; Helena Gerrity; Hilda Knowles; Joseph Baker; John Proctor; Cyril Smalley; George Worsfold; Thomas Fenton; James Riley; Arthur Brookes; Ada Taylor. Ann Lennon.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Peace

Please stand

May the God of peace sanctify you:
may he so strengthen your hearts
in holiness that you may be blameless before him at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints.

The peace of the triune God be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Table

To you we come, Father of lights,
with angels and saints,
where heaven and earth unite.
May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread

The Eucharistic Prayer

Please sit or kneel

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

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 president recites the Preface as far as
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

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.

The president continues with the institution narrative as far as

Praise to you, Lord Jesus
Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

The Eucharistic prayer continues to its conclusion in the Doxology
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

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.

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:
give us your peace.

Giving of Communion

Behold the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy 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

Prayer after Communion

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls
and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.

Church News may be shared.

Hymn

God is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year:
God is working his purpose out, and the time is drawing near;
nearer and nearer draws the time the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

From farthest east to farthest west, where human feet have trod,
by the voice of many messengers goes forth the voice of God:
'Give ear to me, you continents, you islands give ear to me,
that earth may be filled with the glory of God,
as the waters cover the sea.'

What can we do to work God's work, to prosper and increase
the brotherhood of human-kind, the reign of the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea?

All that we do can have no worth, unless God bless the deed;
vainly we hope for the harvest-tide, till God gives life to the seed;
yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

Let us go forth in the strength of God, with the banner of Christ unfurled,
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth may shine throughout the world:
let us all fight with sorrow and sin, to set their captives free,
that earth may be filled with the glory of God,
as the waters cover the sea.
Arthur Campbell Ainger
Tune Benson

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Go in the light and peace of Christ
Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

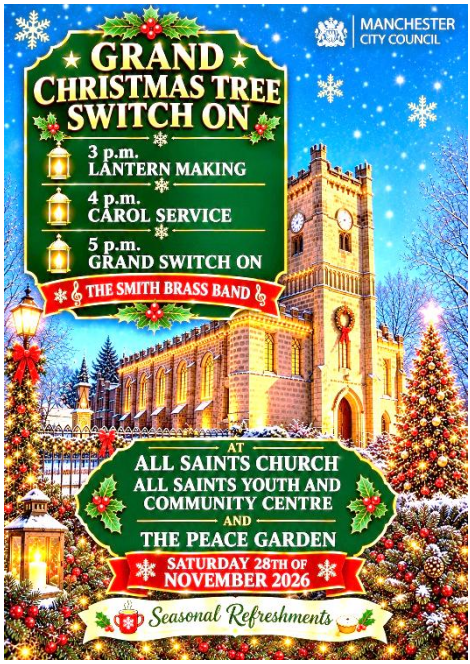
Little Fugue BWV 578 JS Bach

Next Sunday, 22nd November

Christ the King

This is the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year. Celebrate with a flourish before we plunge into the purple and penitence of Advent. "Lo, he comes."





Saturday, 28th November

Newton Heath Christmas Tree Switch-On

All Saints Church and All Saints Youth and Community Centre are hosting the pre switch on events

There will be a lantern procession to the Christmas Tree in the Peace Garden.

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