

*The Parish Church
of
St Mary with St Alban
Teddington*



*First Mass of Revd Joy Beauchamp
Saturday 20 June 6.00pm
A Votive Mass of The Holy Spirit*

Welcome

On behalf of the clergy and people of the parish of Teddington, I welcome you this evening to St. Mary's with St Alban's Church to join in the celebration of Revd Joy's first Mass.

Fr David Cloake – Incumbent

Any words or sentences that appear in **bold print** are congregational responses.

A loop system is used during services. If you use a hearing device please set hearing-aids to the 'T' setting.

You are cordially invited to adjourn to the Anglers Pub, near Teddington Lock, for a drink after the service.

Acknowledgements

Joy would like to thank everyone for their support and generosity, and for their involvement in this Service, among them the Director of Music and Choir of St. Mary's and members of the Choirs of

All Hallows Twickenham,
Ss Philip & St James Whitton, and
St James's Hampton Hill.

INTROIT HYMN (241)

(Solo)

1. Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

(Choir)

2. Thy blessèd unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.

(All)

3. Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace:
keep far our foes, give peace at home;
where thou art guide no ill can come.

(All)

4. Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both to be but One;
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song,

'Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.' Amen

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (766)

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!

2. Praise him for his grace and favour
to his people in distress.
Praise him, still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

3. Fatherlike he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet his mercy flows!

4. Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace!

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

All **Amen**

Grace, mercy and peace be with you,

All **And also with you**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All 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

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Beloved, God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world but to save it for eternal life. Let us therefore confess our sins to God, trusting in the love that wants for nothing but to bring us home to God's very self.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. 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.

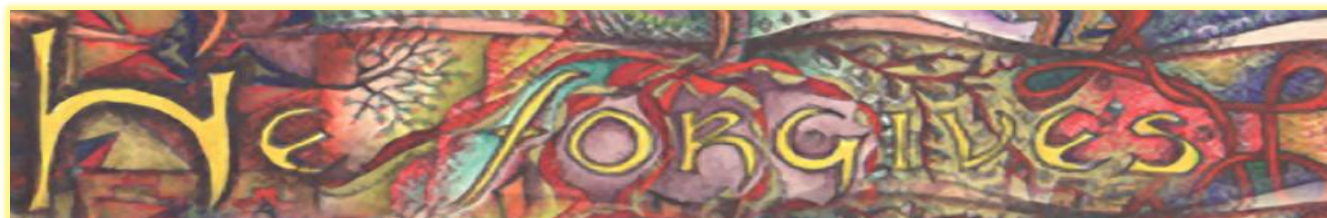
Amen

Blessed is the Lord,

All for he has heard the voice of our prayer;

Therefore, shall our hearts dance for joy,

All and in our song will we praise our God.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – *The Mass of St. Thomas, David Thorne*

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest! (R)

**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.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest. (R)

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.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest. (R)

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.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory to God in the highest. (R)

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of the following sections:

- REFRAIN:** A single line of music with the lyrics: "Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God in the High - est."
- VERSE 1:** A single line of music with the lyrics: "Glo - ry to God in the High - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth."
- VERSE 2:** A single line of music with the lyrics: "Lord God, Heav'n - ly King, Al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry."
- VERSE 3:** A single line of music with the lyrics: "Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther. Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. You are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer."
- VERSE 4:** A single line of music with the lyrics: "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."

THE COLLECT

The Collect is said after a short period of silence

Eternal God, the light of the minds that know you, the joy of the hearts that love you, and the strength of the wills that serve you: grant us so to know you that we may truly love you, so to love you that we may truly serve you, whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING – *Song of Songs 2:8-13, read by the Revd Georgie Bell*

Listen! My beloved!

Look! Here he comes,
leaping across the mountains,
bounding over the hills.

⁹ My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag.

Look! There he stands behind our wall,
gazing through the windows,
peering through the lattice.

¹⁰ My beloved spoke and said to me,
“Arise, my darling,
my beautiful one, come with me.

¹¹ See! The winter is past;
the rains are over and gone.

¹² Flowers appear on the earth;
the season of singing has come,

the cooing of doves
is heard in our land.

¹³The fig tree forms its early fruit;
the blossoming vines spread their fragrance.

Arise, come, my darling;
my beautiful one, come with me.”

This is the word of the Lord,

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING – *1 John 4: 7-21, read by the Revd Vernon Fray*

⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

^{16b}God is love. Whoever lives in love, lives in God, and God in them. ¹⁸There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. ²¹And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

This is the word of the Lord,

All **Thanks be to God.**



GRADUAL HYMN (258)

1. O thou who camest from above
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart!

2. There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return,
In humble prayer and fervent praise.

3. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up thy gift in me-

4. Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death thine endless mercies seal,
And make the sacrifice complete.



GOSPEL READING - *John 1: 1-14* read by the Revd Alex Mynors Herbert

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit that shall last.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

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

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life,^[a] and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.

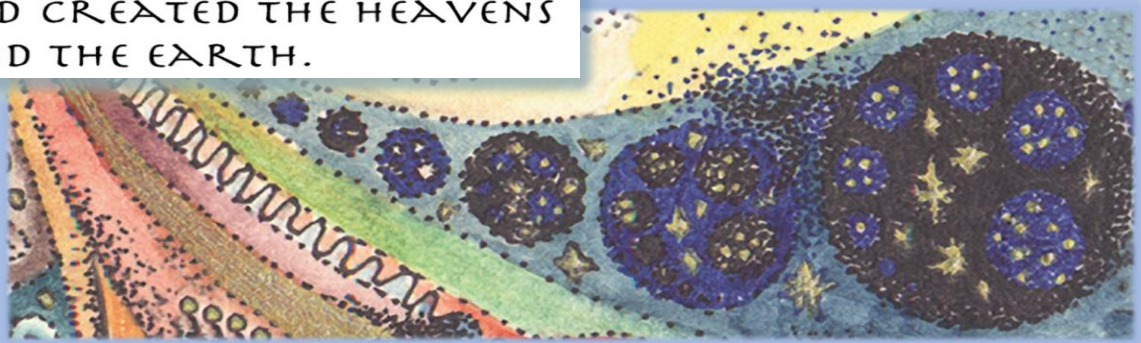
⁶There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own,^[c] and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

GE 1:1 IN THE BEGINNING
GOD CREATED THE HEAVENS
AND THE EARTH.



THE SERMON – *The Reverend Canon Dr Neil Evans*

THE NICENE CREED

Dear friends, let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

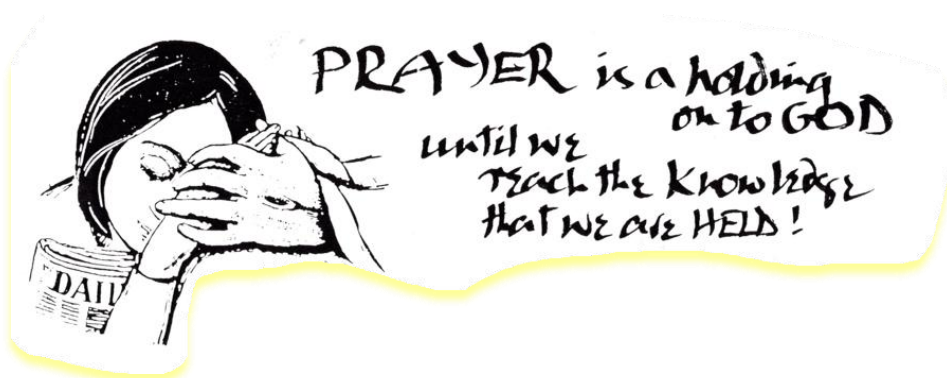
All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *read by Jason Wheeler*



In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For all the members of the Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve him in truth and love, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For Emma our bishop, and for all bishops, presbyters and deacons, that they may hunger for truth and thirst after righteousness, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For Joy, called to be a priest in your Church, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness we may proclaim the gospel of reconciliation to the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For the unity of the Church, that we may be one in Christ, according to his will, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For those who are lost and for those who have strayed, that they may return to the way of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For the sick and suffering, for the aged and infirm, for the lonely and neglected, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the hungry, for the homeless and the oppressed, for all prisoners and captives, and for our brothers and sisters who are persecuted for their faith, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For Charles our King, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For ourselves; for grace to repent and amend our lives, that we may be pardoned and absolved from all our sins, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Remembering John and Brenda Wheeler, and all who have gone before us in faith, and in communion with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Alban the Martyr and all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

Merciful Father:

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT



THE PEACE

God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



OFFERTORY HYMN (494)

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of Heav'n to Earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown;
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

2. Come, Almighty to deliver;
Let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy host above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

3. Finish, then, thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory
Till in Heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith. Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!**

Moderato ♩ = 112

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and

might, Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

✠ **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!**



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit ✠, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; 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.*

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died:**

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of

the Blessed Virgin Mary, Alban the martyr and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

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.

All Amen



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All 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.

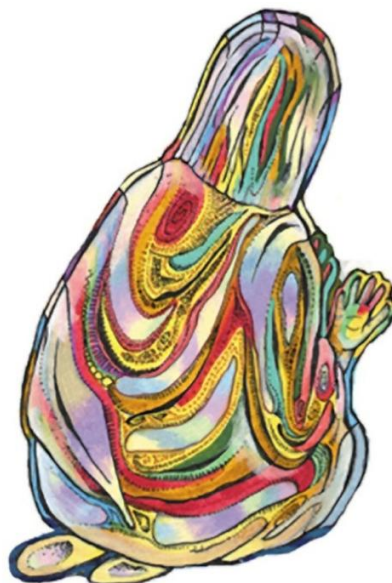
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.



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.**

Andante ($\text{♩} = 60$)

mp Lamb of God, you

mf take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

mf Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

mf Lamb of God, *mp* Lamb of

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

God. *non rall.* *p*

world: Grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin 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.

Baptised persons who are communicant members of other Churches may receive Communion.

Any person may come to the altar for a blessing. Please hold a book or cross the palms of your hands across your chest for a blessing.

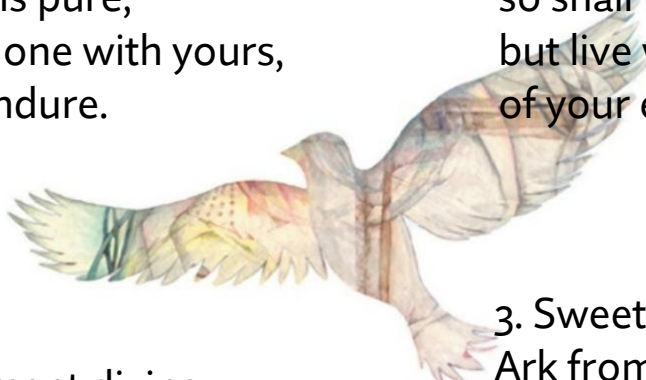
During the distribution of Holy Communion, the choir will sing 'Cantique de Jean Racine, Gabriel Fauré and the following hymns may be used:

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God
fill me with life anew,
that I may love so may I love,
and do what you would do.

2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure;
until my will is one with yours,
to do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fulfil my heart's desire;
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy heav'nly fire.

4. Breathe on me, Breath of God:
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of your eternity.



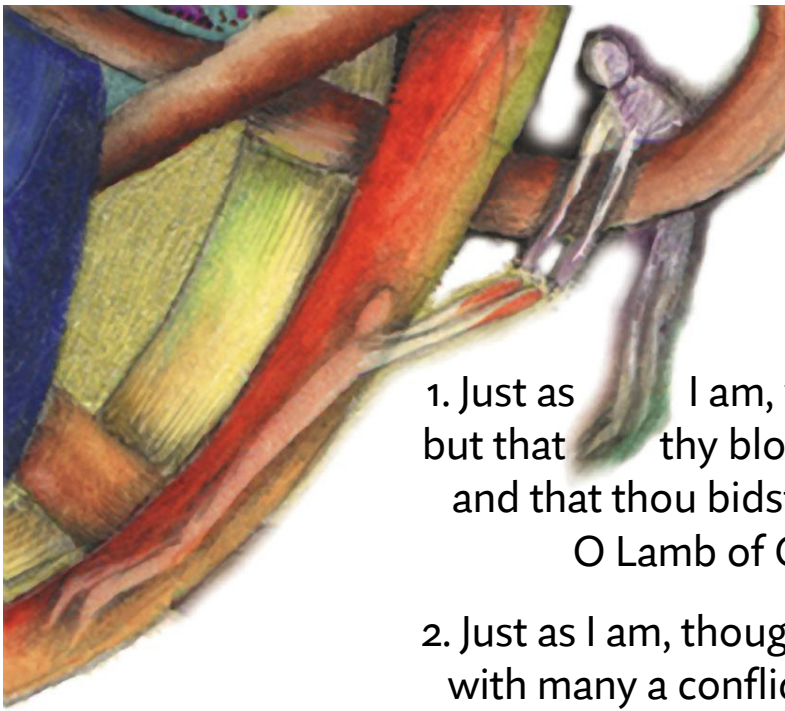
1. Sweet Sacrament divine,
Hid in thine earthly home,
Lo, round thy lowly shrine,
With suppliant hearts we come;
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise
In songs of love and heartfelt praise:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

2. Sweet Sacrament of peace,
Dear home for every heart,
Where restless yearnings cease
And sorrows all depart;
There in thine ear all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery:
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

3. Sweet Sacrament of rest,
Ark from the ocean's roar,
Within thy shelter blest
Soon may we reach the shore;
Save us, for still the tempest raves,
Save, lest we sink beneath the
waves:
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

4. Sweet Sacrament divine,
Earth's light and jubilee,
In thy far depths doth shine
The Godhead's majesty;
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray
That earthly joys may fade away:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

EMBRACE ME LORD



1. 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.

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

3. 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.

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

5. 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.

6. 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.



1. Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us
You are one with us, Mary's Son.
Cleansing our souls from all their sin
pouring Your love and goodness in
Jesus our love for you we sing,
living Lord.

2. Lord Jesus Christ now and every day
Teach us how to pray, Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance Lord of you
Into our lives your power breaks
through, living Lord.

3. Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us
Born as one with us, Mary's Son.
Led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus help us see
You are Lord.

4. Lord Jesus Christ I would come to you
live my life for you, Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
into my life your power breaks through,
living Lord.



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of power, whose Holy Spirit renews your people in the bread and wine we bless and share: may the boldness of the Spirit transform us, the gentleness of the Spirit lead us, and the gifts of the Spirit equip us to serve and worship you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

All 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

'He has
engraved
our souls
like glass
to hold
His seeds
of
LIGHT'

Francis Horowitz

POST-COMMUNION HYMN (546)

1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:

How great thou art! How great thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:

How great thou art! How great thou art!

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

Refrain

3. And when I think how God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burdens gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

Refrain

4. When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation,
To take me home, what joy will fill my heart!
Then I will bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

Refrain

FIRST BLESSING FROM THE NEW PRIEST

Among the traditions that surround the First Mass of a new priest is that they may offer a 'first blessing'. You are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, and to pray for Mthr. Joy as she embarks on this new phase in her ministry. While this takes places, the choir will sing 'The Lord Bless You and Keep You', John Rutter, and the following hymns may be used:

1. Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in endless praise,
let them flow in endless praise.
2. Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.
3. Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.



1. As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.

2. I want You more than gold or
silver,
only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
and the apple of my eye.
Chorus

4. Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use
every power as thou shalt choose,
every power as thou shalt choose.
5. Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.
6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee



- You alone are my strength, my shield,
to You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.*

3. You're my Friend and You're my
Brother,
even though You are a king.
I love You more than any other,
so much more than anything.
Chorus

1. My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.
O who am I,
that for my sake
my Lord should take
frail flesh, and die?

2. He came from his blest throne,
salvation to bestow;
but men made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend,
my Friend indeed,
who at my need
his life did spend.

3. Sometimes they strew his way,
and his sweet praises sing;
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!'
is all their breath,
and for his death
they thirst and cry.

4. Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.

5. They rise, and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
to suffering goes,
that he his foes
from thence might free.

6. Here might I stay and sing:
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend

THE BLESSING

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe new life into you. **Amen**

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord. **Amen**

May the Spirit who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. **Amen**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**



Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
All **In the name of Christ. Amen**

The ministers and people depart.

“Father, I abandon myself into your hands; do with me what you will. Whatever you may do, I thank you: I am ready for all, I accept all. Let only your will be done in me, and in all your creatures - I wish no more than this, O Lord. Into your hands I commend my soul: to surrender myself into your hands without reserve and with boundless confidence, for you are my Father.”

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