REQUIEM AETERNAM DONA EIS DOMINE, ET LUX PERPETUA LUCEAT EIS



EXAUDI FINALE DESIDERIUM.

SUSCIPIAT TE CHRISTUS, QUI VOCAVIT TE, ET IN SINUM ABRAHAE ANGELI DEDUCANT TE.

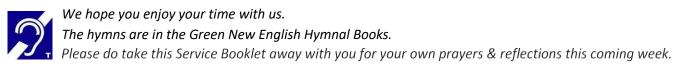
Requiem Mass

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

All Souls' Day

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and rise in glory. REQUIESCANT IN PACE. AMEN

Welcome to St Thomas the Apostle Church, Hanwell for our Parish Mass.



Plain Chant Introit

Réquiem ætérnam * dona eis, Dómine: et lux perpétua lúceat eis.

The Gathering

Please **Stand** (if you are able) as the Altar party enter in silence.

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

All: Amen.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.

Amen.

All: And also with you.

First Hymn: 239 Lord of all hopefulness.

Invitation to Confession

God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us.

As we acknowledge our human frailty, we call to mind our sins and confess to God our Father.

All: Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love,
and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed,
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.

We Sing together the Kyrie Eleison.

All: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

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.

All: Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray Eternal God, our Maker and Redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 25. 6-9.

On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines. On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The Lord has spoken. In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

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

Please Stand as we Sing together Psalm 23. (459 NEH: The Lord's my Shepherd)

The New Testament Reading: Romans 5:5-11.

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God

demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

The Gospel

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: 'It is the will of him who sent me,' says the Lord, 'that I should lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up on the last day.' (cf S.John. 6. 39)

All: Alleluia.

The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to S. John 11. 17-27.

All №₩ Glory to you, O Lord.

On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world."

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

The Homily is given.

Prayers of Intercession

Please Kneel or Sit for the Prayers of Intercession.

During the intercession the names of the Faithful Departed are read.

At the beginning of each section a candle is lit by the Intercessor for that section.

After each section of petitions the following is said:

Hear us, risen Lord,

All: Our resurrection and our life.

After all the names of the Faithful Departed have been read the following is said:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,

All: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

All: And rise in glory.

All: Hear us, O merciful Father,
as we remember in love
those whom we have placed in your hands.
Acknowledge, we pray, the sheep of your own fold,
lambs of your own flock,
sinners of your own redeeming.
Enfold them in the arms of your mercy,
in the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and in the glorious company of the saints in light.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Jesus says: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn: 353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind.

Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

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.

All: Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here. All: His Spirit is with us.

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, our duty and our joy, that we should always sing of your glory, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For you are the hope of the nations, the builder of the city that is to come.

Your love made visible in Jesus Christ brings home the lost, restores the sinner and gives dignity to the despised.

In his face your light shines out, flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one in your kingdom a divided and broken humanity.

Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation we glorify your name, for ever praising you and saying:

All: Holy, Holy, Lord. God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

뵘 Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Congregation kneel or sit.

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. \blacksquare

Praise to you Lord Jesus:

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

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 Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, St Thomas the Apostle and our Patron, 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

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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

▶ Jesus is the living bread which came down from heaven: if anyone eats of this bread, they will live for ever.

All: Lord, give us this bread always.

Invitation to Communion

■ 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.

The Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) is said.

All: 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 Priest, Altar Party, Choir and the People all receive communion.

If you are baptised and receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to receive communion here.

You are welcome to receive a blessing instead of communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.

Prayers after Communion

All: God of love,
may the death and resurrection of Christ,
which we have celebrated in this Eucharist,
bring us, with the faithful departed,
into the peace of your eternal home.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,
our rock and our salvation,
to whom be glory for time and for eternity.
Amen.

Final Hymn: 331 Abide with me.

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

May God give you his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

The Dismissal

Neither death nor life can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Plain Chant Postlude

Lux æterna lúceat eis, Dómine: * cum sanctis tuis in ætérnum, quia pius es.

V. Réquiem ætérnam dona eis, Dómine, et lux perpétua lúceat eis.

* Cum sanctis tuis in ætérnum, quia pius es.