

St John The Divine, Horninglow

**Parish Mass on the Fourth Sunday of Easter
8 May 2022**

*live at 10am – streamed online at
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THE GATHERING

HYMN 476 Ye servants of God

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were
made, alleluia.

ACT OF PENITENCE

*A time of silence follows for us to call to mind
our sins; then we ask God for forgiveness:*

We have lived by our own strength, and not
by the power of your resurrection:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as
faithless and not believing:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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 God 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.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection
and the life:
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of
righteousness,
that we may seek those things which are
above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Acts 9.36–43*

³⁶In Joppa there was a disciple whose name
was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She
was devoted to good works and acts of
charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and
died. When they had washed her, they laid
her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was
near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that
Peter was there, sent two men to him with
the request, 'Please come to us without
delay.' ³⁹So Peter got up and went with
them; and when he arrived, they took him to

the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.'

Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 539 *A setting of Psalm 118*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING John 10.22-30

²² At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.'

²⁵ Jesus answered,

'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me.

²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my

hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one.'

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

SERMON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**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

Response:

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

or Lord, hear us;
Lord, graciously hear us.

After the departed are named:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord;
And let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace
and rise in glory. Amen.

The Hail Mary may be said:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among 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. Amen.

The prayers usually end,

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

Alleluia! The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

And also with you. Alleluia!

HYMN 231 Who are these like stars
(omit verse 4)

Pray, my friends, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.
May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and for the good of all his church.

Lord,
restore us by these Easter mysteries.
May the continuing work of our redeemer bring us eternal joy.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, 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.

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

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, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

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.

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.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed 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.

HYMN 461 There's a wideness

AFTER COMMUNION

The Good Shepherd is risen! He who laid down his life for his sheep, who died for his flock, he is risen, alleluia.

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off you met us in
your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love, gave
us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his
risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the
world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before
us, so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your
name;
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.****

THE DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

God the Father, by whose glory Christ Jesus was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

NOTICES

HYMN 349 Come, let us join

THE REGINA COELI

(the 'Queen of Heaven')

Joy to you, O Queen of heaven, **Alleluia!**
He whom you were meet to bear, **Alleluia!**
As he promised, has arisen, **Alleluia!**
Pour for us to God your prayer. **Alleluia!**

Rejoice and be glad, O virgin Mary, **Alleluia!**
For the Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

O God, by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, you have vouchsafed to give joy to the whole world; grant, we beseech you, that helped by the prayers of the Virgin Mary his Mother, we may obtain the joys of eternal life; through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Mass is ended.
Go in the peace of Christ. **Alleluia!**
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

or

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia!
In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia!