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Trinity 3 Proper 6 - 16th June 2024

Informal Eucharist 10.00

- Welcomers:** Anthony Sullivan, Bridget Tongo
- Server:** Julie Adesina
- Chalice:** Heather Gwynn, Jenny Scotchmer
- Lessons:** Joy Ventour
- Celebrant:** Mick Scotchmer



“The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.”
Robert Swan

HYMN 79 Blest are the pure in heart

GATHERING

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.

<i>This week</i>	Wed	19th Jan	20.00	Pastoral Committee
	Friday	21st Jun	10.00	Eucharist
	Saturday	22nd Jun	09.00	Alban Pilgrimage
	Sunday	23rd Jun	10.00	Parish Eucharist
			12.30	Simple Lunch

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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.

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society,
in the misuse of God's creation.

God our Father, we are sorry
for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly,
and acted ungratefully.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest,
but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.

Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied,
but ignore the cry of the hungry.

Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We are thoughtless,
and do not care enough for the world you have made.
Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

We store up goods for ourselves alone,
as if there were no God and no heaven.
Father, in your mercy:
forgive us and help us.

May almighty God,
who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever.
Thanks be to God. **Amen.**

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious
liberty of the children of God;
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. **Amen.**



GLORIA

Tune: St Helen 453

**Glory be to God in heaven, peace on earth to Humankind.
Father, heavenly King, Creator, God of power undefined,
praise and honour, thanks we offer, worship you with heart and mind.
Jesus Christ, our Saviour, only Son of God by faith we know
Lamb of God, the world's Redeemer, love and mercy to us show;
seated at the Father's right hand, intercede for us below.
You alone, O Lord, are holy, Jesus Christ, you are Most High
with the Father and the Spirit; Trinity, to you we cry:
'Alleluia, alleluia!' - you, O God, we glorify.**

Please sit

FIRST READING 2 Corinthians 5.6-10,14-17

Brothers and sisters, ⁶we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord – ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹⁴The love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 533 Now the green blade riseth

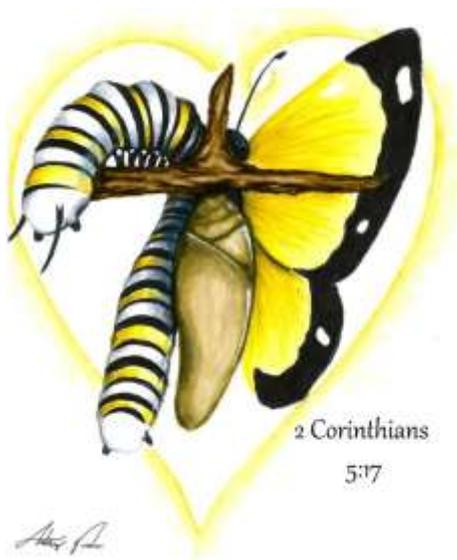
GOSPEL Mark 4.26-34

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

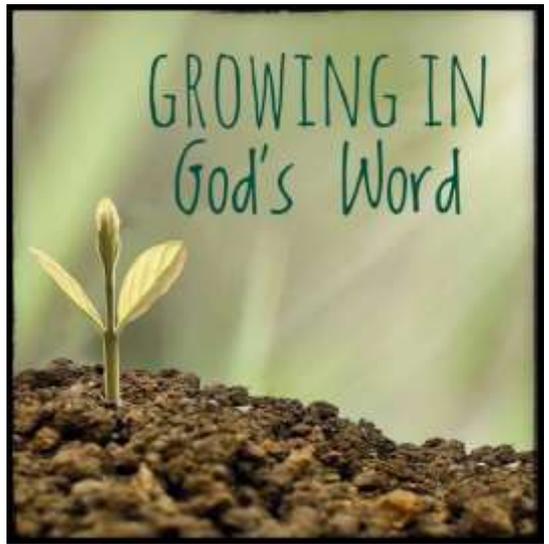
Glory to you, O Lord.

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables. ²⁶Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

³⁰Jesus also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what



parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.’ ³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.



This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

REFLECTION

HYMN 595 One more step along the road I go

PRAYER OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.

He 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.

INTERCESSIONS

Please sit or kneel

Let us pray that the will of God shall be fulfilled in the Church and in the world.

Strengthen the Church to nourish and to spread the good seed of your word entrusted to her care ... Bless your ministers as they work for the coming of the Kingdom ... Use them and enable them, so that the harvest may be abundant.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bring your grace to work silently in the hidden places of the world, to bring to fruition the good that is as yet unknown ... May your Kingdom come not only through those who have authority but through all the humble and unregarded who seek to live in love and peace.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Keep us aware of your creation and our duty to nurture it and work to preserve it in all its splendour.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Come to us in the little things, in the daily round of home and work, in the passing encounters with those we may not see again ... Bless this community, to be a refuge for the afflicted and a shelter for those in need.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort all who despair because their labour seems to be in vain ... Give them hope and the strength to persevere until your will for them is completed ... Bring healing to the sick, peace to the troubled, and comfort to the bereaved.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all whose lives have grown through this world until the end ...
Grant them new life, fulfilling beyond all earthly understanding the promises in
which they trusted and the joy that they have known.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray in the name of Christ who brings all things to fruition.

SIGN OF PEACE

All stand

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace.

If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All are invited to greet and shake hands with their neighbour.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

HYMN 246 God is working his purpose out (omit * verses 2 & 4)

During this hymn, the gifts are brought to the table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

The celebrant washes his hands saying quietly;

Lord we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the
sacrifice we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.

Lord wash away our iniquities and cleanse us from our sins.

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.

Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

Listen, and we will hear.

Lord of all life,
you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.
You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky,
everything that gives us light,
light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds.
You give us the fish in the sea,
the birds of the air,
and every plant and tree;
the life that sleeps in the winter earth,
and awakens again in the spring.
You give us friends and families
busy streets for young and old,
the life of an earthly city
fulfilled in your city to come.
You made us all,
each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels
and sing your praise::

**Holy, most holy, all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom forever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

Tune: Slane 66

**Blessed, most blessed, all blessed is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Why do we share this bread and wine?

Listen, and we will hear.

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

How do we follow Jesus Christ?

Listen, and we will hear.

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with St Anne, St Andrew, St Edmund and all your saints
we give you glory,
through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit,
today and for ever. **Amen.**

Please sit.

And now, as Jesus taught us so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your Kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours.
Now and for 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.

**O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts
and take our sin away.**

Tune: Repton 152

**O Lamb of God, your grace impart,
and let our guilty fear depart,
have mercy, Lord, we pray,
have mercy, Lord we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, our lives restore,
our guilty souls release.**

**Into our lives your Spirit pour
and let us live for evermore
in perfect heav'nly peace,
in perfect heav'nly peace.**

These are the gifts of God for the people of God; our Lord is coming to us in bread and wine.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Visitors: If you normally receive communion in your own church then you are welcome to receive the sacrament here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing. Please keep your hands down.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

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.

NOTICES

FINAL BLESSING

All our problems
we send to the cross of Jesus.
All our difficulties
we send to the cross of Jesus.
All the devil's works
we send to the cross of Jesus.
All our hopes
we set on the risen Christ:
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 774 Thy kingdom come O God



We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.



Ukraine and Eat or Heat - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

Prayers We all pray—and we all pray for others and the world about us. Have you ever thought of writing the bidding prayers for the Sunday service? Many of us feel uncomfortable in public speaking—understandable—so you may not want to read them out during the Eucharist: **But**—you could still write them and someone else could read them for you. Please give it some thought—and have a chat with either Mick, Heather, Marcia or Jude.

Pilgrimage to St. Albans next Saturday, 22nd June — list at the back of the church, please indicate if you are driving and can take a passenger or two, and also indicate if you need a lift.

Valentines Singers Concert—All the world on stage, Sunday, 30th June at 6.30pm, Church of the Assumption, Manford Way, Hainault, IG7 4DF. Advance tickets from Lindsey Archer: £16 (£9 students/benefit holders), On the door: £18 (£10 students/benefit holders)

August to October Rota— Please let Mick know of any dates you will not be available for the next rota. If you would like to join one of our service rotas have a word with Mick.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

Alan Pearson - who entered eternity on Tuesday 11th June. Rest in peace

Anniversaries for June. 1st Blanche Gooch, 2nd Robert Bridger, 3rd Roseanna Bates, 5th Doris Scrutton, 12th Peter Ilsley, 17th Kathleen Leech, 18th Bob Birchnall, 25th Winifred Bonnett, 26th Ethel Ellett, 27th Mary Verrier, Jenny Harwood.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them,
may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*