Morning Prayer for Sunday 5th May 2024 on Zoom™

O Lord, open our lips

All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Alleluia! Christ is risen

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give is new hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Confession

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

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: 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.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Creed

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

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 on the right hand of the Father; and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints;

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the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Amen

Psalm

All: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen

Bible Reading

Now is the time to awake out of sleep.

All: For the night is far spent and the day is at hand.

Now is our salvation never than when we first believed.

All: For the night is far spent.

Let us therefore cast off the wards of darkness and put on the armour of light.

All: For the day is at mind.

Put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the flesh.

All: For the night is far spent and the day is a need.

The Benedictus

- 1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David.
- Through his holy prophets God promised of old to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember his holy covenant.
- This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight
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all the days of our life.

- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

All: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Prayers

Collect

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Risen Christ,

by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:

help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love,

to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, Peace be with you.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

Intercessions

On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross, Lord in our mercy hear our prayer

That all people may receive the good news of his victory, Lord in our mercy hear our prayer

That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection:

Lord in our mercy hear our prayer

That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ: Lord in our mercy hear our prayer

That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ Lord in our mercy hear our prayer

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead, to the mercy and protection of God

Silence.

Merciful, father,
Accept these prayers
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

All: 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

Blessing

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give us joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always.

Amen

Bible Reading Sunday 5th May 2024

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Gospel Reading Sunday 5th May 2024

John 15:9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.