

ST MARY DE CASTRO: SUNG MASS ON SUNDAY 31 MAY
TRINITY SUNDAY

WELCOME

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all visitors to St Mary's. If you are a baptized member of the Church of England, or of any other Church that subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, you are very welcome to receive communion this morning. If you do not wish to take communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

THE PREPARATION

The organ will start to play five minutes before the start of the service. During this time the following may help members of the congregation with their preparation.

Collect for Purity: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The passion, death and resurrection of Jesus were not merely episodes in his life of which we might well be in awe; they proclaim as victorious the Father's love for us, revealed by Jesus, a love which seeks our reconciliation.

from Fr Roderick Strange, [The Risk of Discipleship](#), 2004

INTROIT HYMN

At the entry of the Altar Party all STAND and sing the Introit Hymn. If you are able, please remain standing until the first reading.

NEH 147

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| 1. MOST ancient of all mysteries,
Before thy throne we lie;
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most holy Trinity. | 4. How wonderful creation is,
The work which thou didst bless,
And O, what then must thou be like,
Eternal loveliness! |
| 2. When heaven and earth were yet
unmade,
When time was yet unknown,
Thou in thy bliss and majesty
Didst live and love alone. | 5. Most ancient of all mysteries,
Before thy throne we lie;
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most holy Trinity. |
| 3. Thou wert not born; there was no fount
From which thy Being flowed;
There is no end which thou canst reach;
But thou art simply God. | |

THE GREETING

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

Priest The Lord be with you
All and with thy spirit.

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

Priest My brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ
in word and sacrament, let us call to mind
and confess our sins.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against thee
and against our neighbour,
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us, forgive us all that is past,
and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life
to the glory of thy name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Priest 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.

KYRIE ELEISON (CHOIR)

Choir Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

(Lord, have mercy.)
(Christ, have mercy.)
(Lord, have mercy.)

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (CHOIR)

Priest Glory be to God on high,
Choir and in earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ:
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high
✠ in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

THE COLLECT

Priest Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of
a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and, in the power of the divine majesty,
to worship the Unity: we beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith and
evermore defend us from all adversities; who livest and reignest, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

SIT

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 40. 12-17, 27-31)

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the LORD, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM (CHOIR)

Psalm 8

O Lord our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world : thou that has set thy glory above the heavens!

Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies : that thou mightest still the enemy, and the avenger.

For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers : the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.

What is man, that thou art mindful of him : and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

Thou madest him lower than the angels : to crown him with glory and worship.

Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands : and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

All sheep and oxen : yea, and the beasts of the field;

The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea : and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians (2 Corinthians 13. 11-13)

Brothers and sisters, put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

STAND

NEH 146

1. HOLY, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise
to thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around
the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down
before thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore
shalt be.
3. Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness
hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory
may not see,
Only thou art holy, there is none beside
thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name,
in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

THE GOSPEL

Priest The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

Priest Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (Matthew 28. 16-20)

All ✠ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Priest This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SIT

A homily may be preached.

THE NICENE CREED (**SUNG**)**STAND**

Priest I believe in one God,

All the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things
visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven, *(Genuflect or bow)*
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man, (Stand)

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead:
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshippèd and glorified,
who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.

And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
✠ and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

KNEEL OR SIT

Priest Let us pray.

After each intention the following responses may be used:

Lord, in thy mercy

All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

Priest Merciful Father,

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

STAND

This, or another suitable preface to the peace is said:

Priest Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and with thy spirit.

Priest Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

THE OFFERTORY

During the Offertory Hymn, the gifts of the people are gathered and presented in the Collection.

NEH 148

1. THE God of Abraham praise
Who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
And God of love:
To him uplift your voice,
At whose supreme command
From earth we rise and seek the joys
At his right hand.
2. There dwells the Lord our King,
The Lord our Righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
The Prince of Peace:
On Sion's sacred height
His kingdom he maintains,
And glorious with his saints in light
For ever reigns.
3. Before the great Three-One
They all exulting stand,
And tell the wonders he has done
Throughout the land:
The listening spheres attend,
And swell the growing fame,
And sing in songs which never end
The wondrous name.
4. The God who reigns on high
The great archangels sing,
And 'Holy, holy, holy' cry
'Almighty King!
Who was, and is the same,
And evermore shall be:
Eternal Father, great I AM,
We worship thee.'
5. The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high:
'Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost'
They ever cry:
Hail, Abraham's God and mine!
(I join the heavenly lays)
All might and majesty are thine,
And endless praise.

As each element is received the following may be said:

Priest Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation:
through thy goodness we have this bread to set before thee,
which earth hath given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation:
through thy goodness we have this wine to set before thee,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Priest Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands,
to the praise and glory of his Name,
for our good and the good of all his Church.**

The priest says the Prayer over the Gifts, to which all reply: Amen.

REMAIN STANDING

The Sursum Corda

Priest The Lord be with you

All **and with thy spirit.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

All **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Preface

Priest It is very meet, right and our bounden duty,
that we should at all times, and in all places,
give thanks unto thee,
O Lord, Almighty, everlasting God.

Who art one God, one Lord;
not only one Person, but three Persons in one Substance.
For that which we believe of the glory of the Father,
the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost,
without any difference or inequality.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name,
evermore praising thee and singing:

Choir **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

KNEEL OR SIT

The priest recites the Eucharistic prayer. A bell signals the elevation of the consecrated bread and wine, at which all may make the sign of the cross.

After the elevation of the consecrated wine, the following acclamation is said:

Priest Great is the mystery of faith.

All **Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

The priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding with:

by whom and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,
O Father almighty, world without end.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG)

Priest As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Priest 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 (CHOIR)

Choir O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

The priest invites the people to communion:

Priest 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 that thou shouldst come under my roof,
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

Communion is administered in both kinds (bread and wine). If you do not wish to receive wine from the common cup, please leave the altar rail immediately after you have consumed the bread. Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer into the consecrated wine) is not permitted.

Words of distribution are used to which the communicant replies: Amen.

During the giving of communion a motet may be sung by the choir.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

KNEEL OR SIT

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, who hast revealed thyself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and dost ever live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know thee in all thy ways and evermore rejoice in thy eternal glory; who art three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Priest Almighty God,

All we thank thee for feeding us
with the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer thee our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of thy Spirit
to live and work to thy praise and glory. Amen.

POST COMMUNION HYMN

STAND

NEH 295

1. LET all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.
2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
In the body and the blood:
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heavenly food.
3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
As the darkness clears away.
4. At his feet the six-winged seraph;
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence,
As with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya, Lord most high!

THE DISMISSAL

Priest The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

Priest The blessing of God almighty,
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

THE ANGELUS (SUNG)

Priest The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary

All **and she conceived by the Holy Ghost.**

Priest Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee:

blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

All **Holy Mary, Mother of God,**

pray for us sinners,

now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Priest Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

All **Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Hail Mary...

Priest (*Genuflect or bow*) And the Word was made flesh:

All **and dwelt among us. (*Stand*)**

Hail Mary...

Priest Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,

All **that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Priest Pour forth thy grace into our hearts, we beseech thee, O Lord,

that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel,

so by his ✠ Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection;

through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

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