HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD

Sunday, June 30th 2024: St Peter and St Paul

خوش آمـدى Welcome to Holy Innocents.

This leaflet contains all you need to join in the service. Words **in bold print** are spoken or sung by all. Hymns are not announced. For visitors, Gift Aid envelopes are available. Please be as still and quiet as possible before the service as we prepare to celebrate the Eucharist.

When the bell rings, please stand to sing:



Give thanks for Christ's apostles, defenders of his word, Who wield, throughout the ages, the Spirit's mighty sword.

Their earthly stories ended, the pain of this world past, They now, in heaven united, hold faith and wisdom fast.

So Peter, bless'd disciple, and Paul whose letters stand, Both witnesses and leaders, now sit at God's right hand.

They speak God's word of healing, unyielding hearts to move: And those, by strife divided, are reconciled by love.

They keep the gates of heaven, have power to loose from sin, The band, set free to meet him, with Christ may enter in.

To Father, Son and Spirit, for these great saints give praise,
They guide earth's pilgrim-children on faith's uncharted ways. (Stanbrook Abbey Hymnal)

The president today is the Right Revd Michael Lewis (Former Bishop in Cyprus and the Gulf and former President Bishop and Primate, Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East, also former Bishop of Middleton). Please remain standing.

+ 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.

Today, as we give thanks for the witness of St Peter and St Paul, and pray for the whole church of God throughout the world, we recall that Jesus said to his apostles, 'You are my friends if you obey my commands.'

A time of silent prayer follows, then:

Lord Jesus, in your love you invite us to be your friends: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your joy you choose us to go out and bear fruit: Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your power you send us to be your faithful witnesses: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May God forgive us our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us 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 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.

THE COLLECT The prayer for this Sunday

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer the president says the Collect. At the end: Amen. Please sit down for the Ministry of the Word.

FIRST READING Zechariah 4.1-6a.10b-end.

The angel who talked with me came again, and wakened me, as one is wakened from sleep. He said to me, 'What do you see?' And I said, 'I see a lampstand all of gold, with a bowl on the top of it; there are seven lamps on it, with seven lips on each of the lamps that are on the top of it. And by it there are two olive trees, one on the right of the bowl and the other on its left.' I said to the angel who talked with me, 'What are these, my lord?' Then the angel who talked with me answered me, 'Do you not know what these are?' I said, 'No, my lord.' He said to me, 'This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, says the Lord of hosts. For whoever has despised the day of small things shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel. 'These seven are the eyes of the Lord, which range through the whole earth.' Then I said to him, 'What are these two olive trees on the right and the left of the lampstand?' And a second time I said to him, 'What are these two branches of the olive trees, which pour out the oil through the two golden pipes?' He said to me, 'Do you not know what these are?' I said, 'No, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the two anointed ones who stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

At the end: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Wisdom Canticle is sung by the choir

Wisdom shines like the sun so she may soon be found by those who seek.

And her light shall never fade or die, easily discerned by those who love her well.

She seeks out all who want to know her, to free them from their care.

All who think, watch or wait shall see her in their paths and in their every thought.

So that wisdom may grow for learning we should have such great desire -

That from learning wisdom grows in its turn, and our hearts will ever heed her holy laws.

Thus a lifelong search for wisdom If we keep it all our days

In our hearts will abide and guide us by God's grace to our eternal home.

SECOND READING Acts 12: 1-11

At the end: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia... Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,

which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.

Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,

and to those who are true of heart.

Those who turn to evil shall be cast out:

but let there be peace upon Israel.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...



GOSPEL READING Matthew 16.13-19

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit down for the sermon. The preacher today is the Revd Canon Alma Servant. After the sermon there will be a time of silence. Then we stand with the president for the Creed.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Please remain standing for the Prayer of the Faithful. After each section:

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

After the final section (for the departed) there will be a time of silent prayer. At the end:

Merciful Father,

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

The president introduces THE PEACE:

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We exchange a sign of peace and then join in:

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, first-begotten from the dead, Thou alone, our strong defender, liftest up thy people's head.

Alleluia, alleluia, Jesu, true and living Bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we; here in loving reverence bow; Here for Faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.

Alleluia, alleluia, thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee, as of old in Bethlehem, Here as there thine angels hail thee, branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.

Alleluia, alleluia, we in worship join with them. Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished once for all when thou wast slain.

In its fullness undiminished shall for evermore remain. Alleluia, alleluia, cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna, stricken Rock with streaming side, Heaven and earth with loud hosanna worship thee, the Lamb who died, Alleluia, alleluia, risen, ascended, glorified!

The bread and wine are brought to the altar.

The president says a prayer over the gifts to which we all respond:

Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER follows.

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.

THE PRESIDENT continues the prayer, thanking God for his saving works, and then invites the people to join their praises with the whole company of heaven:

.....for ever praising you and singing:

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.

THE PRESIDENT asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify the bread and wine, and then repeats the Lord's own words over the bread and cup.......

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

THE PRESIDENT CONTINUES, joining our offering with Christ's sacrifice of himself.

At the end of the prayer the president says:all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever: **Amen.**

The President introduces the Lord's Prayer and all say together:

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.

ی پدر ما که در آسمانی، نام تو مقدس باد، ملکوت تو بیاید. اراده تو چنانکه در آسمان است، بر زمین نیز کرده شود نان کفاف ما را امروز به ما بده. و قرض های ما را ببخش چنانکه ما نیز قرضداران خود را می بخشیم، و ما را در آزمایش میاور، بلکه از شریر ما را رهایی ده. زیرا ملکوت وقوّت و جلالتا ابدالاَباد از آن تو است، آمین.

We SIT or KNEEL as the president breaks the consecrated bread in pieces for all to share: 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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The president addresses those who wish to come to Holy Communion: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins 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.

Those who wish draw near to the altar. Those who are baptized, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Others are asked to fold their arms for a blessing. During communion we hear The eternal gifts of Christ the King, and Give to me Lord a thankful heart. When all have received Holy Communion what remains of the consecrated bread will be placed in the tabernacle and there is a time of quiet and stillness. Then please stand with the president.

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer.

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please join in:

Pour out thy Spirit from on high; Lord, thine assembled servants bless; Graces and gifts to each supply, and clothe thy priests with righteousness.

Within the temple when they stand, to teach the truth, as taught by thee, Saviour, like stars in thy right hand may all thy Church's pastors be.

Wisdom, and zeal, and faith impart, firmness with meekness, from above, To bear thy people on their heart, and love the souls whom thou dost love:

To watch, and pray, and never faint, by day and night, strict guard to keep, To warn the sinner, cheer the saint, nourish thy lambs, and feed thy sheep.

Then, when their work is finished here, may they in hope their charge resign; When the Chief Shepherd shall appear, O God, may they and we be thine.

PLEASE SIT for the announcements then STAND for the blessing and dismissal. The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son + and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ:

Thanks be to God.

MONDAY July 1st	
1930 Eucharist	
THURSDAY July 4th	

1930 Eucharist

NEXT SUNDAY July 7th

1000 Sung Eucharist

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The eternal gifts of Christ the King, the Apostles' glorious deeds, we sing; And while due hymns of praise we pay, our thankful hearts cast grief away.

Twas thus the yearning faith of saints, the unconquered hope that never faints, The love of Christ that knows not shame, the prince of this world overcame.

In these the Father's glory shone, in these the will of God the Son; In these exults the Holy Ghost, through these rejoice the heavenly host.

Redeemer, hear us of thy love, that, with this glorious band above, Hereafter, of thine endless grace, thy servants also may have place. Amen.



What can we do?

Give to me, Lord, a thankful heart and a discerning mind; Give, as I play the Christian's part, the strength to finish what I start And act on what I find.

When, in the rush of days, my will is habit bound and slow, Help me to keep in vision, still, what love and power and peace can fill A life that trusts in you.

By your divine and urgent claim, and by your human face, Kindle our sinking hearts to flame, and as you teach the world your name Let it become your place.

Jesus, with all your church I long to see your kingdom come: Show me your way of righting wrong and turning sorrow into song – until you bring me home.