

SAINT MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
BARNES



LOW MASS

(HOLY COMMUNION)

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER
1928 SERVICE

(Temporary Order of Service)

PRAYERS TO USE BEFORE THE SERVICE

Personal Intention before Mass

Lord, I come to this Eucharist as a faithful Christian.
I come with thanksgiving for ...
I come seeking forgiveness for my wrongdoing ...
I come with prayers for myself ...
And for my friends and family ...
And all places and people in need in our world ...
For the departed ...
Bringing all these into your presence
before your love, mercy and goodness. Amen

Prayer of Saint Patrick

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

Prayer of Saint Richard of Chichester

We thank Thee Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits thou hast won for us, for all the pains and insults thou hast borne for us; most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, may we love thee more dearly, know thee more clearly, and follow thee more nearly, day by day. Amen.

Prayer of Saint Thomas Aquinas

Almighty, eternal God, behold I come to the Sacrament of your Only Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, as one sick to the physician of life, as one unclean to the fountain of mercy, as one blind to the light of eternal brightness, as one poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Amen.

A bell rings and the congregation kneels as the Priest enters.

THE INTRODUCTION

The service begins with a seasonal sentence and the Priest welcomes the people.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are 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 Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

*The Priest prays the Collect of the Day, at the end of which all say **Amen.***

Sit

THE EPISTLE

At the end of the reading:

Here endeth the Epistle.
Thanks be to God.

Stand

THE GRADUAL VERSE

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The holy Gospel is written in the N chapter of the Gospel according to N beginning at the N verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sit

THE HOMILY

A short silence follows the Homily.

Stand

THE CREED

I believe in one God,
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, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary and was made man, 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 and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in 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.

THE OFFERTORY VERSE

The Collection is gathered at the end of the service – bowls are provided at the back of the church.

◆ *If you are making a cash donation, we ask you to **Gift Aid** your offering using the blue envelopes provided.*

◆ *You can donate by **text**; simply text SAINTMICHAEL to 70470 followed by the amount you wish to give (e.g. SAINTMICHAEL£10) up the value of £20 – although you can donate more by texting again.*

◆ *A bank transfer can be made using the bank details on our website or (ideally) join **Planned Giving** to give regularly. A form is available on the ‘Giving’ page of the church website.*

Please give generously to the ministry of the church. Thank you for your gift.

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Almighty and ever living God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: we humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian kings, princes, and governors, and especially thy servant ELIZABETH our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed; and grant unto her, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, priests and deacons, especially to thy servants N and N our bishops, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace: and specially to this congregation here present; that with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God world without end. **Amen.**

THE RITE OF PENANCE

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, Judge of all men; we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of

them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; have mercy upon you; pardon ✠ and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Altar is prepared as 'THE COMFORTABLE WORDS are read.

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

'Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'

Hear also what Saint Paul saith: 'This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.'

Hear also what Saint John saith: 'If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.'

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

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, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God [*A Proper Preface may be said.*] Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

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!

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel commands us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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.

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,
DRINK YE ALL OF THIS; THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS: DO THIS AS OFT AS YOU SHALL DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants having in remembrance the precious death and passion of thy dear Son, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

Amen.

Let us pray. As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bound to say:

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, f or ever and ever. Amen.

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.

✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold he who taketh away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The Priest receives Communion saying:

The Body of Christ. Amen. The Blood of Christ. Amen.

*The people are invited to say **Amen** with the Priest in preparation for their own Communion.*



All Baptised Christians who normally receive Communion in their own church are welcome to do so here.

◆ *The Sacrament is distributed from in front of Altar in one kind (the Body of Christ). If you would like to receive a Blessing instead, bow your head.*

◆ *Please follow the direction of the Steward and maintain an appropriate distance from other worshippers.*

◆ *Please note that every precaution is taken to ensure hygiene. However, we recognise that not everyone will feel comfortable receiving Communion at this time.*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

*The Priest prays a Post-Communion prayer at the end of which all say **Amen**.*

Please stand for THE GLORIA

(Omitted in Advent and Lent)

Glory be to God on high,
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, Jesus 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, 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 DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go forth in peace.

Thanks be to God.

We encourage you to depart the church fairly promptly afterwards to enable us to prepare for the next service.

It would help us if you could return your order of service to the basket at the back of church. If you would prefer to keep your order of service to bring with you next time, please let the Steward know.

If you are new to Saint Michael's you might be asked to fill out a new worshipper card in case we need to contact you.

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