



Parish Mass for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity 10 am Sunday 29th August 2021



WELCOME!

St Werburgh's stands in the catholic tradition of the Church of England. Here we try to practice the generous Gospel of Jesus Christ. Together we are exploring a way of living which is inspired by joyful, ordered worship and takes seriously the interior life. We embrace the challenges of peace-making both globally and locally.

Welcome to this community of healing.

Our celebrant today is Rev Mtr Kate, our curate.

Some things you need to know:

- Wear a mask at all times.
- Allow your temperature to be taken.
- Give your contact details or use the QR Code.
- Do not move around the church, but proceed to your seat as directed.
- Please be polite to the welcomers and follow their instructions.
- **PLEASE LEAVE BY THE SOUTH DOORS IN THE BAPTISTRY.**
- Everybody is welcome here regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, addictions or beliefs, single or partnered, we are all God's people.
- Everybody is welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church of whatever age or wherever you are on the path of life – tell a welcomer if you need gluten free bread. **NOBODY MUST RECEIVE.** The Sacrament will be brought to you in your seat.
- We are not sharing the Chalice at present.
- There are large print service books available; church always has lots of words, we try to be dyslexia friendly – if you need your book on a different colour paper or in a different font just ask a welcomer.
- This church is fitted with a hearing loop, if you experience difficulty hearing the service, then please let a welcomer know.
- Kids' Church takes place in the parish room. There are full COVID arrangements in place and the children are asked to remain in their family/household bubble. We ask that only one parent accompany their child to maintain social distancing.
- **FEEL FREE TO BREASTFEED.** If you would prefer more privacy and a comfy sofa just use Fr J's vestry, one of the welcomers can show you.
- Don't worry about babies making a noise during the service, feel free to get up and walk about ... there's no need ever to "Shush" kids!
- Toilets with baby changing facilities are located through the doors at the back of the church.
- Adults who find kids an issue are free to go into the vestry in the tower at the back of church. It has glass doors and a speaker so you can still hear the service. We aim for the Tower to be an 'autistic friendly' space, but please find wherever is comfortable for you.

The Notices are given after which silence is kept.

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.

The service is introduced.

Let us call to mind our fragility and our need of God's forgiveness.

A time of silence is kept for personal reflection.

You came to save sinners.
Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

You came to heal the broken hearted
Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.

You came to bring hope in despair.
Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

May the God of all love and power, forgive and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you through the Holy Spirit and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God! Glory to God!
Glory to God in the highest.

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 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...

Let us pray:

God of unclean hands, touching those rejected by the world, lead us to the joyful feasts in which all are renewed; through Jesus Christ, the beauty of God's face. **Amen.**

**O thou who camest from above
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart!**

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy (*Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9*)

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

For the Word of God in Scripture

For the Word of God among us

For the Word of God within us

Thanks be to God

**There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (*Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23*)

Glory to you O Lord

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles). So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person'.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up the gift in me.**

We sit for the sermon.

**Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat;
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.**

After a period of silence we affirm our faith:

Let us affirm together our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Creator, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in God.

Do you believe and trust in God's Son Jesus Christ, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in God.

Do you believe and trust in God's Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in God.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

We sit or kneel to pray.

Our intercessions end with:

Loving God, meet us in this silence, hear our prayers and fill us with your love. Amen.

We share the Peace of Christ.

God is love and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

We offer each other an appropriate sign of peace.

We sing the offertory hymn.

**All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.
Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.
God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light, and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.
Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.**

When all is ready, we remain standing and come to solemn prayer.

You may wish to stand for the Eucharistic Prayer:

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.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh' as your Son, born of the Blessed Virgin, he went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke 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. +

In the same way after supper, he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them saying: 'Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. +

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Blessed Mary, the Mother of God, St Werburgh and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours O God of all blessing, for ever and ever.

Amen!

As our Saviour taught so we pray:

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 forever and 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.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, happy 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.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, which will be brought to you at your seat.

Please keep your mask on until the minister has placed the Sacrament in your hand and moved to the next person.

During Holy Communion we sing:

**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.**

Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee
O Lamb of God, I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt
Fighting and fears within without
O Lamb of God, I come

Just as I am, and waiting not
to rid my soul of one dark blot
to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot
O Lamb of God, I come

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind
Sight, riches, healing of the mind
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find
O Lamb of God, I come

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve
Because Thy promise I believe
O Lamb of God, I come

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When all have received Holy Communion and the altar is cleared, together we pray:

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven; let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We stand for the Blessing:

God be with you.

And also with you.

Christ, who has nourished us with himself the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

How shall I sing that Majesty.
Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
Thy praise; but who am I?
Thy brightness unto them appears,
While I Thy footsteps trace;
A sound of God comes to my ears,
But they behold Thy face.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
With all my fire and light;
Yet when Thou dost accept their gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.
Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
Inflame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and take my part
With that celestial choir.
They sing because Thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun
There alleluias be.
How great a being, Lord, is Thine,
Which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
To sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
A sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore,
Thy place is everywhere.

The Mass is ended, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

An organ voluntary is played.

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