



ALL SAINTS DAY

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Welcome to Saint Peter's

**10AM SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST
WITH HOLY BAPTISM**

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Welcome to this celebration of Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

OPENING HYMN

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who to the world by faith their Lord confessed,
your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!

You were their rock, their fortress, and their might;
you, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight,
and in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia, alleluia!

May all your soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one within your great design.
Alleluia, alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
far off we hear the distant triumph song;
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest,
The peaceful calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!

But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,

through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia!

The priest greets all in the name of God

In the name of God: Father, ☩ Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

The priest reads the sentence of the day.

“We had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.” *Lk 15.32*

The priest leads the congregation in the prayer of preparation

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

to whom all hearts are open,

all desires known,

and from whom no secrets are hidden:

cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy name,

through Christ our Lord. Amen

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The priest introduces the confession

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ Jesus said: ‘This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

Kyrie eleison is sung

Lord, have mercy (*3).

Christ, have mercy (*3).

Lord, have mercy (*3).

Pause for reflection

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The priest says the Absolution

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GLORIA

Gloria in Excelsis is sung

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to God's 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 Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

The priest leads the congregation in the collect of the day.

Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love: grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy. *Deut 34.1-12*

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, ‘This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, “I will give it to your descendants”; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.’ Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab for thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Praise for Deliverance from Trouble

- ¹ I will bless the Lord continually:
his praise shall be always in my mouth.
- ² Let my soul boast of the Lord:
the humble shall hear it and rejoice.
- ³ O praise the Lord with me:
let us exalt his name together.
- ⁴ For I sought the Lord's help and he answered:
and he freed me from all my fears.
- ⁵ Look towards him and be bright with joy:
your faces shall not be ashamed.
- ⁶ Here is a wretch who and the Lord heard me:
and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps round those who fear him:
and delivers them in their need.
- ⁸ O taste and see that the Lord is good:
happy are they that hide in him.
- ⁹ Fear the Lord all you his holy ones:
for those who fear him never lack.
- ¹⁰ Lions may suffer want and go hungry:
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing good.
- The Lord ransoms the lives of his servants:
and none who hide in him will be destroyed.

A reading from the first letter of John.

1 John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he ^[a] is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,

In purer lives Thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise.

2. In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word,
Rise up and follow Thee.
3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love!
4. Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of Thy peace.
5. Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & READING

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened,
And I will give you rest, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

The priest reads the Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Chapter 5.1-12

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.
For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The priest introduces the prayers of the faithful

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The response to the refrain 'In Jesus' name' is

All: Amen.

HYMN

1 Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;

and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3 Let holy charity
my outer garment be,
and lowliness become my inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part
and for its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till Love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

LITURGY OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

THE PRESENTATION AND DECISION

The priest invites the candidates and sponsors to gather at the font

Priest We welcome Arlo and Archer who come to be baptised.
I invite their sponsors to present them now.

Sponsors

We present Arlo and Archer to be baptised.

The priest says to the sponsors

Before God and this congregation, and on behalf of this candidate for baptism, you must affirm that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil:

Priest Do you turn to Christ?

Sponsors **I turn to Christ.**

Priest Do you repent of your sins?

Sponsors **I repent of my sins.**

Priest Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust?

Sponsors **I reject them all.**

Priest Do you renounce Satan and all evil?

Sponsors **I renounce Satan and all evil.**

Priest Almighty God ✠ deliver you from the powers of darkness and
 lead you in the light of Christ to his everlasting kingdom. **Amen**

Priest Will you each, by God's grace,
 strive to live your whole life as a disciple of Christ,
 loving God with your whole heart, and your neighbour as yourself?

Sponsors **I will, with God's help.**

The priest says to the whole congregation

Priest You have heard these our brothers and sisters renew their
 response to Christ. Will you support them in this calling?

All **We will.**

THE PRAYER OVER THE WATER

The priest says

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
All who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water
to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life.
Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through water you led the children of Israel
from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land.

In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.
By it we share in his resurrection.
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son,
we baptize into his fellowship those who come to him in faith.

Now ✠ sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, they may be cleansed from sin and born again.
Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE HOLY BAPTISM

Priest Parents and sponsors of Arlo and Archer, do you ask for baptism into this faith?

Sponsors **We do.**

The priest baptises Arlo

Arlo, I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The priest baptises Archer

Archer, I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The priest signs Arlo and Archer on the forehead with oil of chrism and says

I sign you with the sign of the cross
to show that you are marked as Christ's own for ever.

The priest says

Live as a disciple of Christ:
fight the good fight,
finish the race,
keep the faith.

All **Confess Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection,
look for his coming in glory.**

The priest says

God has called you into his Church.

All **We therefore receive and welcome you
as members with us of the body of Christ,
as children of the one heavenly Father,
and as inheritors of the kingdom of God.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

The priest says

We are the Body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

1
O sacred head sore wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down;
O kingly head surrounded
with thorns thine only crown.
Death's pallor now comes o'er thee,
the glow of life decays;

2
What language shall I borrow
to praise thee, heavenly friend,
for this thy dying sorrow,
thy pity without end?
O agony and dying!
O love to sinners free!

yet hosts of heaven adore thee
and tremble as they gaze.

Jesus, all grace supplying,
turn thou thy face on me.

3
In this thy bitter Passion,
good Shepherd, think on me
with thy most sweet compassion,
unworthy though I be:
beneath thy cross abiding
for ever would I rest,
in thy dear love confiding,
and with thy presence blessed.

4
Be thou my consolation,
my shield, when I must die;
remind me of thy Passion,
when my last hour draws nigh.
My eyes shall then behold thee,
upon thy cross shall dwell,
my heart by faith enfold thee;
who dieth thus, dies well.

Paul Gerhardt 1607–76, from *Salve caput cruentatum*
attrib. Bernard of Clairvaux (1091–1153) *tr.* James Waddell Alexander

The priest says a prayer

Lord of life,
with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise.
As we are fed with the bread of heaven
may we know your resurrection power;
through Christ our risen Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer. The sursum corda may be sung or said

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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

We give you thanks
because in fulfilment of your promise
you pour out your Spirit upon us,
filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth,
and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.
Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,
to proclaim your gospel to all nations
and to serve you as a royal priesthood.
Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name,
for ever praising you and singing:

The sanctus is sung

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.**

...Great is the mystery of faith.

The memorial acclamation is sung

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

... in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The priest says

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND COMMUNION

The priest breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

The Agnus Dei is sung

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The priest says

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All baptised Christians are invited to receive the bread and the wine of the Eucharist. This includes children, from the age of 5, at the discretion of their parents. Please tell the priest if you prefer to receive a gluten free wafer or a blessing. A blessing may be indicated by folding your arms across your chest at the communion rail.

Silence is kept

The priest prays the post communion prayer

All praise to you, our God and Father,
for you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and quenched our thirst from the true vine:
hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ,
we may grow together in unity
and feast with him in his kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to live and work, to your praise and glory.

Amen

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

DISMISSAL HYMN

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord,
She is His new creation
By water and the Word.
From heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her
And for her life He died.

She is from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder
The world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed:
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song!

Through toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
Till, with the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won,
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give to us the grace

Like them, the meek and lowly,
In heaven to seek your face.

The Priest blesses the people, saying

May the Father,
who fed his children with manna in the wilderness,
strengthen you in your pilgrimage to the Promised Land.

Amen.

May the Son,
who gave his flesh for food and his blood for drink,
keep you in eternal life and raise you up on the last day.

Amen.

May the Holy Spirit,
who leads us into all truth,
help you discern the Lord's body
and empower you to proclaim his death until he comes.

Amen.

And the blessing ...

The Priest says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Alleluia, alleluia.