

St Luke, Jersey

6th Sunday of Easter

22nd May 2022



At the sound of the bell, the hymn begins, the Priest and servers enter and the altar is honoured with incense.

Opening Hymn

City of God, how broad and far
Outspread thy walls sublime!
The true thy chartered freemen are
Of every age and clime.

One holy Church, one army strong,
One steadfast, high intent;
One working band, one harvest-song,
One King omnipotent.

How purely hath thy speech come down
From man's primaeval youth!
How grandly hath thine empire grown
Of freedom, love and truth!

How gleam thy watch-fires through the night
With never-fainting ray!
How rise thy towers, serene and bright,
To meet the dawning day!

In vain the surge's angry shock,
In vain the drifting sands:
Unharmed upon the eternal Rock
The eternal City stands.

Words: Samuel Johnson (1822-1882)

Music: Thomas Haweis (1734-1820)

Greeting

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

All **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
All **He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Priest introduces the liturgy and invites us to confess our sins.

The Penitential Rite

All Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The Priest says a Prayer for Forgiveness

All **Amen**

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory! Glory! Glory to God!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God!**

**Glory to God in the heights of the heavens.
Peace to God's people, all people on earth.**

**Glory! Glory! Glory to God!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God!**

**Son of the Father, all glory and worship;
praise and thanksgiving, to you, Lamb of God.**

**Glory! Glory! Glory to God!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God!**

**You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us, receive our prayer.**

**Glory! Glory! Glory to God!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God!**

**Seated in pow'r at the right of the Father,
Jesus alone is the Lord, the Most High.**

**Glory! Glory! Glory to God!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God!**

**And with the Spirit of love everlasting,
reigning in glory for ever. Amen.**

**Glory! Glory! Glory to God!
Glory! Glory! Glory to God!**

George Salazar (1984), arr. Paul Inwood (1993)

The Opening Prayer

The Priest says the prayer for the day

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Responsorial Psalm

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

All **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help.

All **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.

All **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him.

All **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.'

Alleluia!
All **Alleluia!**

The Gospel

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you**
✠ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:
'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him and make our home with him.
Those who do not love me do not keep my words.
And my word is not my own:
it is the word of the one who sent me.
I have said these things to you while still with you;
but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all I have said to you.
Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you,
a peace the world cannot give,
this is my gift to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.
You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.
If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.
I have told you this now before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may believe.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Homily

The Affirmation of Faith

The Priest asks

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?
All **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?
All **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?
All **We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.
All **This is our faith.**
We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Prayer of Intercession

The Priest introduces the intercession

After each petition the leader will say

Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Following the prayers for the departed

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord
**And let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.**

*The leader invites us all to join in a **Prayer for our Parish** (wherever that may be)*

**God our Father,
through your Holy Spirit
you grow your Church
as we proclaim the kingdom of your risen Son.
Bless us with deepening faith
and an increase in our community.
Help us to be a beacon of your love
to everyone we meet.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

We ask for Mary's never-ending intercession and say

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

The Priest concludes the intercession

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

The Priest introduces the Peace, and then says

All The peace of the risen Lord be always with you
and also with you. Alleluia!

As the gifts of bread and wine are prepared on the altar, we sing

Jerusalem the golden,
With milk and honey blest,
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, O I know not,
What social joys are there,
What radiancy of glory,
What light beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Sion,
Conjubilant with song,
And bright with many an angel,
And all the martyr throng;
The Prince is ever in them,
The daylight is serene,
The pastures of the blessed
Are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David,
And there, from care released,
The song of them that triumph,
The shout of them that feast;
And they who, with their Leader,
Have conquered in the fight,
For ever and for ever
Are clad in robes of white.

O sweet and blessed country,
Shall I ever see thy face?
O sweet and blessed country,
Shall I ever win thy grace?
Exult, O dust and ashes!
The Lord shall be thy part:
His only, his for ever,
Thou shalt be, and thou art!

*Words: Bernard of Cluny (12th
Century)
Music: Alexander Ewing*

At the conclusion of the hymn, the Priest invites us to join in the offering of the Eucharist

All Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.
**May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands,
for 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

The Eucharistic Prayer

All The Lord be with you
And also with you

All Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord

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

The Priest sings the Preface for the day, at the end of which we sing

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might:
heaven and earth, heaven and earth
are full of your glory, your pow'r and might.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.**

**Blessed, blessed is he who comes,
blessed, blessed is he who comes; blessed is he,
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.**

Following the elevation of the chalice, the Priest sings

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **When we eat this living bread, when we drink this saving cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heavens.**

As the Eucharistic Prayer continues we recall the death and resurrection of Jesus, and plead his sacrifice before the Father. The Prayer ends as the Priest sings

All ...for ever and ever.
Amen, amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Priest invites us to join in the Lord's Prayer

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

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread and says

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Agnus Dei

All **Jesus, risen Lord, triumphant King:
Jesus, true redeemer of the world:
hear our prayer, have mercy;
hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.**

**Jesus, Morning Star which never sets:
Jesus, Paschal Lamb and sacrifice:
hear our prayer, have mercy;
hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.**

**Jesus, bursting from the shattered tomb:
Jesus, mighty Victor over death:
hear our prayer, have mercy;
hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.**

**Jesus, Lord of life and Lord of light:
Jesus, here in form of bread and wine:
hear our prayer, have mercy;
hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.**

The Priest invites us to receive a spiritual Communion

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

and we say together

**My Jesus, I believe that you
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

The Priest and congregation present in the church now receive Communion.

*During Communion, the choir will sing a motet and we will sing the following
hymn*

Hail, true Body, born of Mary,
Spotless Virgin's virgin birth;
Thou who truly hangedst weary
On the Cross for sons of earth;

Thou whose sacred side was riven,
Whence the Water flowed and Blood,
O may'st thou, dear Lord, be given
At death's hour to be our food:

O most kind! O gracious One!
O sweetest Jesu, holy Mary's Son!
Amen.

Words: H. N Oxenham (1829-1888)

Tune: Ave Verum

Prayer after Communion

The Priest says the Prayer after Communion

The Blessing and Dismissal

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

.....and the blessing of God almighty, ☩ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among
you and remain with you always.
All **Amen.**

All Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Priest will now move to stand before the statue of Our Lady and the 'Regina Coeli' will be sung. This ancient prayer, dating back to the 13th century, is an Easter greeting to Mary, mother of the Lord, who with us worships her risen Son.

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven: alleluia!
He whom thou wast meet to bear: alleluia!
As he promised hath arisen: alleluia!
Pour for us to God thy prayer: alleluia!

All Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia!
For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

O God, who by the resurrection
of thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ
hast brought joy to the whole world;
grant that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary,
we may obtain the joys of life everlasting.
Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We sing our concluding hymn

Jesus lives! Thy terrors now
Can, O Death, no more appal us;
Jesus lives! by this we know
Thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm our trembling breath,
When we pass its gloomy portal.
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! for us he died;
Then, alone to Jesus living,
Pure in heart may we abide,
Glory to our Saviour giving.
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! our hearts know well
Nought from us his love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell
Tear us from his keeping ever.
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! to him the throne
Over all the world is given;
May we go where he is gone,
Rest and reign with him in heaven.
Alleluia!

Words: Christian Gellert (1715-1769)

Music: H. J Gauntlett (1805-1876)

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NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

1. **Well done and thanks** to everyone who worked so hard to make last Sunday's '**Fun Day**' such a success. We were blessed with fine weather and huge crowds of people. And we made a tidy **£1300** for the Restoration Fund.
2. The **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** will be next **Sunday 29 May**, following the Parish Mass. At the meeting, we'll elect 2 Churchwardens and 2 Almoners to serve for the coming year. Nominations are open until this Friday, 27 May at 1700 and the forms are at the back of church. Anyone wishing to stand for election must be on the Electoral Roll and must be proposed and seconded by two people who are also on the Electoral Roll.

Additionally, to vote in any election, you need to be on the **Electoral Roll**, so if you're **not already on the roll**, please complete a form soon. They are available at the back of church.

3. On Wednesday evening, in this, **Our Lady's month of May**, we will once again meet at 1900 to say the **Rosary** together. All are most welcome.

4. And on **Saturday morning**, the great **Memorial Garden tidy-up** will get underway. Come as early as you like to enjoy the balmy weather and the merry banter of your fellow gardeners! There will be a pause at 1000 for Mass and then the fun will continue! Sign-up today!