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Patronal Festival

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 13 September 2020 10.00 am

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The Greeting

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

Amen.

We are drawn together as God's family, from Whitkirk, Colton and beyond, on this our Patronal Festival to offer praise and thanksgiving to ask the forgiveness of our sins to hear and receive God's holy word to pray for the needs of the world and to seek God's grace that through the Son Jesus Christ we may give ourselves to God's service.

Based on the Opening Prayer for Morning Prayer from the Anglican Prayer Book of South Africa

Words of Welcome and Introduction

Hymn

Sing we of the blessèd Mother who received the angel's word, and obedient to his summons bore in love the infant Lord; sing we of the joys of Mary at whose breast that child was fed, who is Son of God eternal and the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows, of the sword that pierced her through, when beneath the cross of Jesus she his weight of suff'ring knew, looked upon her Son and Saviour reigning high on Calv'ry's tree, saw the price of man's redemption paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary
when she saw the risen Lord,
and, in prayer with Christ's apostles,
waited on his promised word:
from on high the blazing glory
of the Spirit's presence came,
heav'nly breath of God's own being,
manifest through wind and flame.

Sing the greatest joy of Mary
when on earth her work was done,
and the Lord of all creation
brought her to his heav'nly home:
virgin mother, Mary blessèd,
raised on high and crowned with grace,
may your Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face.

Prayers of Penitence

Born of a woman, born under the law, Christ has redeemed us from the curse of sin: let us come to him that he may heal us and set us free. Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of Peace: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are the Son of God and Son of Mary. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are the Word made flesh and splendour of the Father. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect

For The Blessed Virgin Mary

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God,
who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;
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.

Reading from the Bible

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children.

And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Galatians 4.4-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

For Mary, mother of our Lord, God's holy name be praised, who first the Son of God adored, as on her child she gazed.

The angel Gabriel brought the word she should Christ's mother be;
Our Lady, handmaid of the Lord,
made answer willingly.

The heav'nly call she thus obeyed, and so God's will was done; the second Eve love's answer made which our redemption won.

She gave her body for God's shrine, her heart to piercing pain, and knew the cost of love divine when Jesus Christ was slain. Dear Mary, from your lowliness and home in Galilee, there comes a joy and holiness to ev'ry family.

Hail, Mary, you are full of grace, above all women blest; and blest your Son, whom your embrace in birth and death confessed.

Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia.

Greetings, favoured one. The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Alleluia.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

And Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

Luke 1.46-55

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Prayers of intercession

Written and led by Lynne Pickersgill, and ending with...

United with the Church across the world, let us pray with confidence using the words our Saviour taught us:

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.

Hymn

Virgin-born, we bow before thee: blessèd was the womb that bore thee; Mary, maid and mother mild, blessèd was she in her child.

Blessèd was the breast that fed thee; blessèd was the hand that led thee; blessèd was the parent's eye that watched thy slumb'ring infancy.

Blessèd she by all creation, who brought forth the world's salvation, blessèd they, for ever blest, who love thee most and serve thee best.

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Closing Prayer and Responses

Let us pray

Silence is kept.

God of light and power and glory, we rejoice in your light, we live by your power, we look for your glory.

May we like Mary be open to your call to behold your presence, that we may give ourselves to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We thank you, O God, for you are gracious.

You have loved us from the beginning of time and you remember us in times of trouble and of joy.

Your mercy endures for ever.

We thank you, O God, for you came to us in Jesus Christ, who has redeemed the world and saves us from our sins.

Your mercy endures for ever.

We thank you, O God, for you have sent your Holy Spirit, who comforts us and leads us into all truth.

Your mercy endures for ever.

Amen.

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and his name shall be called the Prince of peace.

Isaiah 9.6

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Hymn

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord: unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of his word; in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name: make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; his mercy sure, from age to age to same; his holy name, the Lord, the mighty one. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might: pow'rs and dominions lay their glory by; proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word: firm is his promise, and his mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and for evermore.

The Blessing

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.'

Luke 1.38

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

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