

Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

Sung Eucharist

The fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Mary's



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St Mary's is a charity which receives no funding from the government and is entirely dependent on donations and fees to keep its doors open, continue its work in the community, and maintain its buildings and outdoor spaces.

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Hearing loop available

Our church is fitted with an inductive loop system which can be picked up by setting hearing aids to the "T" position.

Follow the instructions of our stewards

Please follow all instructions from our stewards, especially during communion.



Please sanitise your hands

Please clean your hands using the provided hand sanitiser when entering and leaving the building.

Digital order of service available

If you prefer, you can follow our order of service on your own phone or tablet. Just visit wkrk.uk/oos on your browser or scan this QR Code.



Handshakes optional

When we offer each other a sign of peace you're welcome to share a handshake, but remember that some people may not be comfortable with this and will instead simply nod or wave.

Communion is your choice

Communion is available as both bread and wine, but if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your seat. Receiving only the bread is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England.

Masks welcome

If you feel more comfortable wearing a face covering, please do so. If you've forgotten a face covering and would like one, please speak to a member of our team.

Upcoming services

Choral Evensong

Today at 6.00 pm

Said Eucharist

Wednesday 4 September at 10.00 am

Sung Compline

Wednesday 4 September at 8.30 pm

Sung Eucharist - Patronal Festival

Sunday 8 September at 10.00 am

Institution and Induction of the

Reverend Dr Claire Honess as

Vicar of St Mary's Whitkirk

Sunday 8 September at 5.00 pm

A prayer for vacancy

Heavenly Father, Good Shepherd of all, we give you thanks and praise that your call to this ministry has been answered. Holy Spirit, encourage and inspire Claire as she prepares to serve you in this parish; open our arms and our hearts that she might find a warm welcome; and guide us all to nurture each other as we journey together with Christ. Amen

Notices and events

Church Cleaning

This Wednesday 4 September at 10.30 am St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

Help us keep our Grade I listed church looking smart and tidy – if you can spare an hour on a Wednesday morning then why not come along and join our monthly clean? We'll provide everything you need, from dusters to refreshments!

Heritage Open Day

This Saturday 7 September at 10.00 am St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

Delve into centuries of history at St Mary's in this year's Heritage Open Day – explore the people, the place and the passions which have helped shape Whitkirk.

Institution and Induction of the Reverend Dr Claire Honess as Vicar of St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

Next Sunday 8 September at 5.00 pm St Mary's Church, Whitkirk

You are warmly invited by the Churchwardens and members of the PCC to the Institution and Induction of the Rev'd Dr Claire Honess as Vicar of St Mary's Church, Whitkirk by the Right Reverend Arun Arora, Bishop of Kirkstall.

The service will take place on Sunday 8 September at 5.00 pm. Following the service there will be refreshments in the Community Centre.

The Annual Whitkirk Lecture 'John Smeaton: family and friends'

Friday 20 September at 7.00 pm St Mary's Church Whitkirk Community Centre

This year's Lecture continues our celebration of 300 years since the birth of John Smeaton. Dorothy Schofield guides us through the people in Smeaton's life and how they influenced his work and achievements.

Join us after the service for refreshments

You are warmly invited to join us after the service for refreshments in our Community Centre.

The Gathering

Our worship begins at the sound of the bell, please stand as the sacred ministers enter, during which the introit hymn is sung.

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.

Pride of man and earthly glory, sword and crown betray his trust; what with care and toil he buildeth, tow'r and temple, fall to dust but God's pow'r, hour by hour, is my temple and my tow'r.

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.

Daily doth th'Almighty giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man 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.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930) based on the German of Joachim Neander (1650-1680) Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983) Hymn Tune: MICHAEL

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

Amen.

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

and also with you.

Words of Welcome

Invitation to Confession

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Silence is kept.

God our Father,
long-suffering, full of grace and truth,
you create us from nothing and give us life.
You give your faithful people new life
in the water of baptism.
You do not turn your face from us,
nor cast us aside.
We confess that we have sinned
against you and our neighbour.
We have wounded your love

and marred your image in us.
Restore us for the sake of your Son,
and bring us to heavenly joy,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever.

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

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 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 Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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

Please sit.

A reading from the letter of James.

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

James 1:17-end

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as the gradual hymn is sung. During the hymn a procession will make its way to the centre of the nave from where the Gospel for the day is read. To symbolise our desire to turn to Christ in our daily lives, at the end of the hymn we remain standing and turn to face the place where the Gospel is proclaimed.

Teach me, my God and King, in all things thee to see; and what I do in anything to do it as for thee.

A man that looks on glass, on it may stay his eye; or, if he pleaseth, through it pass, and then the heav'n espy.

All may of thee partake; nothing can be so mean which, with this tincture, 'For thy sake', will not grow bright and clean. A servant with this clause makes drudgery divine; who sweeps a room, as for thy laws, makes that and the action fine.

This is the famous stone that turneth all to gold; for that which God doth touch and own cannot for less be told.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: English traditional carol

from William Sandys' "Christmas Carols" (1833)

Hymn Tune: SANDYS

Gospel Reading

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, 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?' Jesus 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.'

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Please sit after the preacher leads us in prayer.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand with the president.

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Following an invitation to pray from the intercessor we kneel or sit to pray.

The response to the bidding:

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

then at the end:

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand with the president.

The Peace

Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

This is usually a handshake shared with those near you.

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

A hymn is sung. During this hymn a collection, our financial offering in support of the work of the Church both at St. Mary's and across our diocese, is taken.

You can place cash or giving envelopes on the collection plates as they are passed around. If you would prefer, or if you miss the plate, you can also give by scanning this QR Code, or by tapping your contactless card or device on the card reader by the door as you leave.

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; be all else but naught to me, save that thou art, be thou my best thought in the day and the night, both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord, be thou my great Father, and I thy true son, be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight, be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might, be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tow'r, O raise thou me heav'nward, great Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, be thou mine inheritance now and always, be thou and thou only the first in my heart, O Sov'reign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won, great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: Irish (c. 8th century)
Translated by Mary Byrne (1880-1931)
and Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)
Music: Irish traditional melody
Hymn Tune: SLANE

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer (G)

Please kneel or sit.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

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.

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

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.

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.
From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.
He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand. Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.

Amen.

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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.

The **Agnus Dei** is sung as the bread is broken for distribution.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

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

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The president and people receive communion. All baptised Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. Please follow the guidance offered by the stewards.

If you are not baptised, or would prefer to not receive, then do still come forward for a blessing bringing this book with you so the president knows your intention.

The sacrament is available in both kinds, however if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your place. Receiving in one kind is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England. Please do not dip bread in the wine (sometimes called 'intincting'). It might be helpful to use this prayer during the distribution:

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you for all the benefits you have won for us,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for us.
Most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may we know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly
day by day.
Amen.

Words: St. Richard of Chichester

Anthem

Sung by the Choir.

Turn thy face from my sins and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

Words: Psalm 51 verses 9-11 Music: Thomas Attwood (1765-1838) The following communion hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows. Please remain seated.

We pray thee, heav'nly Father, to hear us in thy love, and pour upon thy children the unction from above; that so in love abiding, from all defilement free, we may in pureness offer our Eucharist to thee.

Be thou our guide and helper,
O Jesus Christ, we pray;
so may we well approach thee,
if thou wilt be the Way;
thou, very Truth, hast promised
to help us in our strife,
food of the weary pilgrim,
eternal source of life.

And thou, creator Spirit, look on us, we are thine; renew in us thy graces, upon our darkness shine; that, with thy benediction upon our souls outpoured, we may receive in gladness the body of the Lord.

O Trinity of Persons,
O Unity most high,
on thee alone relying
thy servants would draw nigh:
unworthy in our weakness,
on thee our hope is stayed,
and blessed by thy forgiveness
we will not be afraid.

Words: Vincent Stuckey Stratton Coles (1845-1929)

Music: John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

Hymn Tune: DIES DOMINICA

Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin; from earth-born passions set me free, and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me amid the battle's strife, in all my pain and misery be thou my health and life.

Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray; through darkness and perplexity point thou the heav'nly way. Lord Jesus, think on me, that, when the flood is past, I may th'eternal brightness see, and share thy joy at last.

> Words: Bishop Synesius (375-430) translated by Allen William Chatfield (1808-1896) Music: from 'The Psalms in English Metre' (1579) adapted by William Damon (1540-1591) Hymn Tune: SOUTHWELL (DAMON)

The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand with the president who introduces a time of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

God of truth,
we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands the bread of life:
strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you
and for each other;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

A hymn is sung.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure: until with thee I have one will to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

> Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889) Music: Charles Lockhart (1745-1815)

Hymn Tune: CARLISLE

The Dismissal

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Our regular services

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Choral Evensong: First Sunday of the month at 6.00 pm

Compline: First Wednesday of the month at 8.30 pm

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