

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

Sung Eucharist

Michael and All Angels

Welcome to St Mary's



Support our work

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.

If you would like to donate to support us you can give during the service as giving plates are passed around. Alternatively, you can place your offering on the plate by the door as you leave or tap your contactless card or device.

You can also donate online by card or directly from your bank by scanning this QR Code with your camera or by visiting wkrk.uk/donate.



If you'd like to give in some other way, find out more about planned giving, or learn how we use donations then please ask a member of our team.

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

Said Eucharist

Wednesday 2 October at 10.00 am

Compline by Candlelight

Wednesday 2 October at 8.30 pm

Sung Eucharist for Harvest Festival

Sunday 6 October at 10.00 am

Daily Prayers

Tuesday to Saturday at 8.30am and 5.30pm

Notices and events

Morning and evening prayers

Morning and Evening Prayer are said in the church every day, Tuesday-Saturday, at 8.30 am and 5.30 pm. Please feel free to come along if you'd like to, either regularly or on an occasional basis.

This is a short said service lasting not more than 30 minutes. The church will be open after Morning Prayer until 9.30 am, please free to pop in if you'd like to spend some quiet time in the church or to talk to Claire. Prayer cards are available at the rear of the church for your personal prayer requests. Any prayers left in the box will be offered to God at Morning and Evening Prayer for two weeks: please feel free to renew the request as appropriate.

Donations at our Harvest Festival

Donations taken at our Harvest Festival service next week will be split between WaterAid and the Leeds South & East Food Bank at St Richard's. Seacroft.

Choral Evensong

Please note that there will be no service of Choral Evensong in October. It will be back as usual on the first Sunday of November.

Intercessions

To help preserve the privacy of those on our prayers list, we will no longer be reading out the full names of those for whom prayer is requested during our intercessions; instead first names only will be used. Please rest assured that God knows the needs of each person for whom prayer is requested without our needing to spell it out.

If you know that someone on the prayer list is feeling better or is out of hospital, please do let us know so that we can update the list and keep it current. If you are aware of anyone who might need home communion or a pastoral visit, please speak to Claire.

Church Cleaning

This Wednesday 2 October 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!

Harvest Lunch

Next Sunday 6 October at 12.30 pm St Mary's Church Whitkirk Community Centre

Returning for another year, the St Mary's Harvest Lunch brings you delicious bangers and mash with veg and plenty of gravy, followed by dessert and tea/coffee. The bar is open as well if you fancy something a little stronger.

There are still some tickets available – if you would like one, or if you have booked but still need to pay, please see Joan Williams after today's service. £7.50 for adults; £5.00 for children.

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.

Angel-voices ever singing round thy throne of light, angel-harps for ever ringing, rest not day nor night; thousands only live to bless thee and confess thee Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest mortal eye can scan, can it be that thou regardest songs of sinful man?

Can we know that thou art near us, and wilt hear us?

Yea, we can.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest o'er each work of thine; thou didst ears and hands and voices for thy praise design; craftsman's art and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer of thine own to thee; and for thine acceptance proffer all unworthily hearts and minds and hands and voices in our choicest psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit thine shall ever be, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, blessèd Trinity. Of the best that thou hast given earth and heaven render thee.

> Francis Pott (1832-1909) Music: Edwin George Monk (1819-1900) Hymn Tune: ANGEL VOICES

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

We have come to Mount Zion, the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to myriads of angels, to God, the judge of all, and to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant.

Hebrews 12 22-24

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'.

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; 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 book of Revelation.

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!'

Revelation 12 7-12

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.

Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest, who ran this earthly race, and now, from sin released, behold the Saviour's face, God's praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.

Ye saints who toil below, adore your heav'nly King, and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; take what he gives and praise him still, through good or ill, who ever lives.

My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above: and with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love; let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, be filled with praise.

Words: Richard Baxter (1615-1691) and John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862) Music: John Darwall (1731-1789) harmonised by William Henry Monk (1823-1889) Hymn Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.
Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,
you ministers of his who do his will.

Alleluia.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

John 1.47-end

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

Hear again the song of the angels: 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth 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.

How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie; sing, sing, ye heav'nly 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, whilst I thy footsteps trace; a sound of God comes to my ears, but they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their sun; Lord, send a beam on me; for where heav'n is but once begun there alleluias be.

Enlighten with faith's light my heart, inflame it with love's fire; then shall I sing and bear a part with that celestial choir.
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.

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 ev'rywhere.

Words: John Mason (c. 1645-1694) Music: Kenneth Nicholson Naylor (1931-1991) Hymn Tune: COE FEN

Taking of the Bread and Wine

God of glory, as you appointed angels to minister in your presence, so may all our worship bring you worthy praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer (A)

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.

It is indeed right and good, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. You reveal your wise purpose for the salvation of the human race by assigning to the angels and archangels the ministry of your steadfast love and protection. While they contemplate your glory,

standing before you and singing your praise, they keep a faithful vigil for us, guarding us along the way that leads to life, and guiding us towards the kingdom of your light. In joyful gladness we unite our voices with theirs and sing the ageless hymn of your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might.
Heav'n 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.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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.

'Jubilate Deo'

Jubilate Deo omnis terra: servite Domino in laetitia. Jubilate Deo omnis terra: servite Domino in laetitia. Laudate nomen ejus, laudate nomen ejus, quoniam suavis est Dominus. Alleluia, alleluia.

English Translation

Rejoice in God, all the earth, serve the Lord with gladness. Rejoice in God, all the earth, serve the Lord with gladness. Praise his name, praise his name, for gracious is the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

Music: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

The following communion hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows. Please remain seated.

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood. He will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the pow'rs of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim, with sleepless eye, veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Lord most high.

Words: Liturgy of St James translated by Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885) Music: French traditional melody Hymn Tune: PICARDY

Bright the vision that delighted once the sight of Judah's seer; sweet the countless tongues united to entrance the prophet's ear.

Round the Lord in glory seated cherubim and seraphim filled his temple, and repeated each to each the alternate hymn:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven; earth is with its fullness stored; unto thee be glory given, holy, holy, holy, Lord.'

Heav'n is still with glory ringing, earth takes up the angels' cry, 'Holy, holy, holy,' singing, 'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'

With his seraph train before him, with his holy Church below, thus unite we to adore him, bid we thus our anthem flow:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven; earth is with its fullness stored; unto thee be glory given, holy, holy, holy, Lord.'

> Words: Richard Mant (1776-1848) Music: Richard Redhead (1820-1901) Hymn Tune: LAUS DEO (REDHEAD)

The Post Communion Prayer

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

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through 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.

O praise ye the Lord! praise him in the height; rejoice in his word, ye angels of light; ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made, and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! praise him upon earth, in tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth; praise him who has brought you his grace from above, praise him who has taught you to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord! all things that give sound; each jubilant chord, re-echo around; loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone, and sweet harp, the story of what he has done.

O praise ye the Lord! thanksgiving and song to him be outpoured all ages along: for love in creation, for heaven restored for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)
based on Psalms 148 and 150
Music: Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)
Hymn Tune: LAUDATE DOMINUM (PARRY)

The Dismissal

The Blessing

God keep you in the fellowship of his saints; Christ protect you by the ministry of the angels; the Spirit make you holy in God's service; 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

Sung Eucharist: Every Sunday at 10.00 am

Said Eucharist: Every Wednesday at 10.00 am

Choral Evensong: Next on Sunday 3 November at 6.00 pm

(There is no Choral Evensong in October)

Compline: First Wednesday of the month at 8.30 pm

Daily Prayers: Tuesday to Saturday at 8.30am and 5.30pm

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