



DURHAM CATHEDRAL

THE SHRINE OF ST CUTHBERT

Sung Eucharist
on
The Sunday Next before Lent

Francis Poulenc: Messe en Sol Majeur

Sunday 11 February 2024
10.00 a.m.

Welcome to Durham Cathedral

If you are visiting, we are delighted that you join us today. Please ask a member of staff for directions if you require assistance. If you are a regular worshipper here, welcome back.

Junior Church

Junior Church gathers in the South Transept (front of the church on the right). If you are new to the Cathedral or a visitor, your child is welcome to join us. Please take your child to the South Transept and complete a consent form with one of the leaders. You can then take a seat in the service and collect your child afterwards from the South Transept. Children stay in church for the start of our worship and then go through to the Chapter House for story-telling and craft activities and then re-join the service at the distribution of Communion when they receive a blessing.

Refreshments after the Service

Refreshments are served after this service in the Galilee Chapel at the back of the Cathedral where we are joined by worshippers arriving to attend Matins at 11.30 a.m. Do join us there.

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The Gathering

Voluntary

Meditation (from 24 Pièces en style libre)

Louis Vierne

Please stand at the entrance of the ministers

Hymn

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against their foe,
Should strive and should prevail;

And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very self,
And essence all-divine.

O generous love! that he who smote
In Man for man the foe,
The double agony in Man
For man should undergo;

And in the garden secretly,
And on the cross on high,
Should teach his brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman

GERONTIUS, John Bacchus Dykes

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

All Amen.

The Greeting

The Reverend Canon Charlie Allen

President The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

The President welcomes the people and introduces the service

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon My brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ
in word and sacrament,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

Silence is kept

**All Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

President May God who loved the world so much
 that he sent his Son to be our Saviour
 forgive you your sins
 and make you holy to serve him in the world.

All Amen.

During the Gloria which follows, Junior Church collects a cross from the Altar and processes to the Chapter House

Gloria in excelsis

sung by the Choir

Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Et in terra pax hominibus
bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe, Domine Deus,
Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*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

President Let us pray.

Silence is kept

President Almighty Father,
 whose Son was revealed in majesty
 before he suffered death upon the cross:
 give us grace to perceive his glory,
 that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
 and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

2 Corinthians 4: 3-6

A reading from the Second Epistle of St Paul to the Corinthians

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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

Please stand and turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it is processed into the Nave

The Gospel

Mark 9: 2-9

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



Choir Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations
and believed in throughout the world.



Deacon The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St Mark.



Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please sit after the Preacher's prayer

Sermon

The Reverend Canon Professor Simon Oliver

Please stand as the President approaches the Altar to say the Creed

The Creed

All

**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

President In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ
let us pray to the Father.

Please kneel or sit

After each petition:

**All Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.**

At the end:

President Almighty God, we give you thanks
for the Blessed Virgin Mary, Cuthbert, Bede,
and for the whole company of your saints in glory,
with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises;
by your grace may we, like them,
be made perfect in your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Please stand

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

President Lord Jesus Christ,
 who said to your apostles,
 ‘Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you’:
 look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church
 and grant it the peace and unity of your kingdom.

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

If you wish, please exchange a sign of peace with those near to you

Hymn Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
 First-begotten from the dead,
 Thou alone, our strong defender,
 Liftest up thy people’s head.
 Alleluia,
 Jesu, true and living Bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we;
 Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for Faith’s discernment pray we,
 Lest we fail to know thee now.
 Alleluia,
 Thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
 As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee,
 Branch and Flower of Jesse’s stem.
 Alleluia,
 We in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished
Once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluia,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

G H Bourne

ST HELEN, George Martin

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Faithful God, receive all we offer you this day.
May we so live the life of Christ
that your Church may be a sign of salvation
to all the nations of the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer B

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is divided into two parts: 'President' and 'All'. The lyrics are 'The Lord be with you and al - so with you.' The second staff is also divided into 'President' and 'All' parts, with lyrics 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff is divided into 'President' and 'All' parts, with lyrics 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.'

President Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness
to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Choir	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
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President Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

All Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

President And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once
for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Cuthbert, Bede, and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

President Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom
in the words our Saviour taught us:

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

President We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Giving of Communion

President Jesus is the Lamb of God
 who takes away the sin 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.

Please sit down and then follow the directions of the vergers to form a line to receive Holy Communion. There is one station at the front of the Nave and one station at the rear. Please hold your hands out so that the clergy may place the host into your hand. After you have received you may receive from the chalice if you wish, or simply return to your seats via the side aisles. Gluten-free wafers are available at both stations.

All those who are members of a Christian church of any denomination are welcome to receive Communion. If this is not part of your tradition or you are not sure, you are nevertheless welcome to receive a blessing at the communion station from the priest there. In this case, you should move forward with the communicants and bow your head as an indication to the priest that you wish to receive a blessing.

Agnus Dei

sung by the Choir

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

Junior Church returns to receive Communion or a blessing

Motet

O salutaris hostia

sung by the Choir

O salutaris hostia,
Quae coeli pandis ostium,
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.
Amen.

*O saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below;
Our foes press hard on every side,
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.
Amen.*

*St Thomas Aquinas,
translated by John Mason Neale*

Marcel Dupré

*After all have received Holy Communion, please stand as the President approaches
the Altar*

Prayer after Communion

President

Let us pray.

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All**Amen.****All**

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

President The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

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.

All **Amen.**

Choir Go in the peace of Christ.



Thanks be to God.

Hymn How shall I sing that majesty
 Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
 Sing, sing, ye heavenly 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 heaven 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 everywhere.

John Mason

COE FEN, Ken Naylor

Voluntary Postlude (from 24 Pièces en style libre)
Vierne

Louis

There will be no Junior Church on Sunday 18 February or Sunday 25 February. Junior Church resumes on Sunday 3 March.

Please join us for refreshments in the Galilee Chapel after the service: everyone is welcome.

Matins is sung in the Quire at 11.30 a.m., and Evensong is sung in at 3.30 p.m. when the college choirs of the University join Durham Cathedral Choir and the Junior Consort.

Daily services this week

*At 8.30 a.m., **Morning Prayer** (live-streamed) is said in the Feretory from Monday to Saturday.*

*At 12.30 p.m., **Holy Communion** is celebrated each weekday in the North Transept, except on Wednesday when it is celebrated at the High Altar for Ash*

Wednesday. These services are not live-streamed.

*At 5.30 p.m., **Evening Prayer** is said in the Quire on Monday and Saturday, and **Evensong** is sung in the Quire on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday (live-streamed Monday to Friday).*

***Compline** is said on Monday at 8.45 p.m. (live-streamed only).*

*On Wednesday we mark the beginning of Lent with the observance of **Ash Wednesday**. At 7.30 a.m., Holy Communion (BCP) is celebrated in the Feretory. The Imposition of Ashes can be received at the said service of Holy Communion at 12.30 p.m. and at the Sung Eucharist at 5.30 p.m.*

*Next Sunday—The First Sunday of Lent: **Holy Communion** (BCP) is celebrated at 8.00 a.m., the **Sung Eucharist** is celebrated at 10.00 a.m., **Morning Prayer with Address** is said in the Quire at 11.30 a.m., and **Evensong** is sung in the Quire at 3.30 p.m., which is followed by the first in our series of Lent Talks (see overleaf for details).*

Student Evensong

Students are welcome to attend Evensong any time but we extend a particular welcome to students at Evensong on Tuesdays. After the service we will offer food and drink with a chance to engage with each other and with the cathedral clergy in a variety of locations and occasionally with other activities too. Evensong on Tuesday starts at 5.30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes. Food will be served in the Prior's Hall at 6.15 p.m. and people will be free to go any time. For those who want to stay, especially those who are preparing for Baptism and/or Confirmation, at 7.15 p.m. we will

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offer a short study session in the Solarium on a key area of Christian faith.

Lent Talks 2024: The Practice of Prayer

This Lent, you are warmly invited to Durham Cathedral as we host a series of talks around the theme of the practice of prayer. Each talk will be given by an expert in their field who will explore a different aspect of prayer, concluding with a short time of prayer on that theme.

The talks will connect a biblical passage or theme with both contemporary culture and the practice of prayer. The talks will be accessible to those exploring faith as well as those who are more experienced in prayer. All are welcome.

18 February: *Looking in the Mirror: Prayer and Self-Reflection*

The Very Reverend Dr Philip Plyming, Dean of Durham

25 February: *Loving It: Prayer and Desire*

Canon Dr Jocelyn Bryan, Lecturer in Psychology and Christian Ministry

3 March: *Wising Up: Prayer and Study*

The Reverend Canon Professor Simon Oliver,

Van Mildert Professor of Divinity

10 March: *Denying our Bodies?: Prayer and Lifestyle*

The Right Reverend Dr Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop of Newcastle

17 March (Passion Sunday): *Owning Up: Prayer and Penitence*

The Venerable Bob Cooper, Archdeacon of Sunderland

24 March (Palm Sunday): *Keeping Quiet: Prayer and Silence*

The Right Reverend Sarah Clark, Bishop of Jarrow

Where and when: 4.30 p.m. — 5.00 p.m., the Quire, Durham Cathedral (entry via the main door). The talks will follow on from Evensong which starts at 3.30 p.m.; however, all are welcome whether or not you attend Evensong. The talks are free and no tickets are required.

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