



Saint
Michael
& All Angels

Sung Eucharist

Fourth Sunday before Lent

Sunday 9th February 2025
7.30 am



This is a dramatic turning point in the lives of the first apostles. Jesus constructs a metaphor from their current way of life to teach them how everything is about to change. They have worked their socks off for nothing; they're ready to pack up and go home. Jesus commands them to try again and then gifts them an unbelievable catch of fish. Now, he tells them, let's go and do the same with people – not to catch, sell and eat, but to liberate, fill with the Spirit and feed with the bread of life.



Order of Service

*The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.*

If you are unable to stand at any point during the service, please feel free to remain seated.

The Gathering

All stand as the Procession of clergy and servers enter and gather at the West Door

Processional Hymn 207

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and
salvation:
all ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting
sustaineth:
hast thou not seen
how thy heart's wishes have been
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend
thee:**

**ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
if to the end he befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath,
come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
sound from his people again:
gladly for aye we adore him!**

Words: Joachim Neander (1650–80)
Tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827–78)

Tune: Lobe den herren
Praxis Pietatis Melica, 1668

Remain standing. The celebrant continues

The Greeting

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

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The lay leader continues

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God,
**to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The lay leader invites all to confess their sins

Prayers of Penitence

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin
and be faithful to Christ.
As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith,
we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Silence is kept

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.**

The celebrant continues

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria



**Glory be to God in heaven,
and to all his people, peace.
Heavenly King, almighty Father,
may our worship never cease;**

**May our voices ever thank you,
songs of blessing ever send,
may we always live to praise you,
for your glory without end.**

**Jesus, Son of God the Father,
merciful beyond compare,
all our sin, by you forgiven;
Lamb of God, receive our prayer.**

**Jesus, you alone are holy,
Jesus, you alone are Lord,
with the Holy Spirit reigning,
And the Father—glorious God!**

The lay leader continues,

The Collect for the Day

Let us pray that we may know and share the light of Christ.

Silence is kept

Lord of the hosts of heaven,
**our salvation and our strength,
without you we are lost:
guard us from all that harms or hurts
and raise us when we fall;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

All sit

The Liturgy of the Word

The New Testament Reading

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 15. 1-11

Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance : that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them--yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it was I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn No. 312

**Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult
of our life's wild restless sea,
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
saying, 'Christian, follow me':**

**As of old Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred
leaving all for his dear sake.**

**Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, 'Christian, love me more.'**

**In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
that we love him more than these.**

**Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,
Saviour, make us hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–88)

Tune: Merton (24)
William Monk (1823–89)

The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you
and also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Luke 5. 1–11



One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the people crowding around him and listening to the word of God, he saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will catch men." So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord



Remain standing until invited to be seated

Sermon

All stand

Affirmation of Faith

**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,
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.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Greeting of Peace

God will speak peace to his people,
to those who turn to him in their hearts.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you

Preparation of the Table

Offertory Hymn No. 115

*during which the bread and wine are placed on the altar,
and a collection is taken for the work of the Church
and the charities it supports.*

**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence praise.**

**In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.**

**O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!**

**Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.**

**Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm.**

Remain standing. The celebrant invites all to say,

God of all goodness and grace,
**receive the gifts we offer;
and grant that our whole life
may give you glory and praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

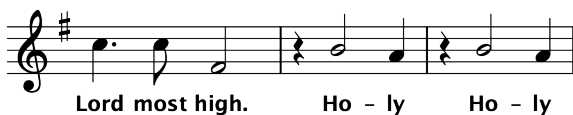
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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

It is right and a good and joyful thing,
always and every where to give thanks to you,
gracious Father, creator of heaven and earth.

And now we give you thanks
because, by appearing in the Temple,
he comes near to us in judgement;
the Word made flesh searches the hearts of all your people
and brings to light the brightness of your splendour.

in the face of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Therefore we praise you joining our voices
with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
who forever sing this hymn
to proclaim the glory of your name:



Holy indeed are you almighty Father eternal Sovereign who in all your gifts and works, manifests your holiness to all humanity. Holy is your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ through whom you did order the universe. And holy is your ever blessed Spirit who reveals all things, even the deep things of you, O God.

Just as you yourself are holy, so also you created us in your own image that we might live in holy fellowship. And when we disobeyed your commandments, you did not abandon us but you guided us as a merciful Father, you revealed yourself to us through the sages, the law and the prophets, and through your redeeming acts in history, and when the time was ripe, you came among us through your Son Jesus, whom you sent into the world to share our human nature in order that the Lord Jesus might revive your own image in us.

**Generous God, Jesus loved us
and sacrificed himself for us
and heralded the new life
in breaking bread with companions.**

On the very night that he was betrayed to suffer death upon the cross for us, the Lord Jesus took bread and when he had given thanks to you almighty Father, 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 manner, after supper he took the cup also, and after giving thanks, he gave it to them saying: Drink, all of you, from this, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The celebrant sings,

Great is the mystery of faith

All sing

Christ has died,
Christ is ri - sen,
Christ will come a - gain.

And so Father, we present this bread and cup in communion with your whole church, in fellowship with Blessed Mary, St. Michael, and all the saints, and in union with all creation we celebrate your Son's death and victory; giving thanks for all that Christ has done for us; for preparing us for all that lies ahead, as we receive the benefits of Christ's life, death, resurrection and session in glory, and we eagerly await the heavenly banquet after Christ's coming again.

And we entreat you most merciful God to hear us and send your all Holy Spirit on us and on these your gifts, that they being blessed and hallowed by that life giving power, may be for us the Body and Blood of your most dearly loved Son, to the end that we receiving the same may be sanctified and filled with your grace and heavenly blessing.

**Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
make us one body in Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom and with whom and in whom
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honour and glory be to you
almighty Father, world without end.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The bread which we break
is it not a sharing in the body of Christ?

**We being many are one bread,
one body for we all partake of the one bread**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we now pray

All sing:

**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 celebrant continues

The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

The gifts of God for the people of God

Benedictus



Bless - ed is



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Repeat



name__ of the Lord.



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Deep Silence

Agnus Dei



Last time



Giving of Communion

The celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion, saying

Draw near with faith and take this holy sacrament to your comfort

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Please sit and remain seated until invited to move forward by a sides-person

Remain seated to sing

Communion Hymn No. 261

**Once, only once, and once for all,
his precious life he gave;
before the cross in faith we fall,
and own it strong to save.**

**‘One offering, single and complete,’
with lips and hearts we say;
but what he never can repeat
he shows forth day by day.**

**For as the priest of Aaron’s line
within the holiest stood,
and sprinkled all the mercy-shrine
with sacrificial blood;**

**So he, who once atonement wrought,
our priest of endless power,
presents himself for those he bought
in that dark noontide hour.**

**His manhood pleads where now it lives
on heaven’s eternal throne,
and where in mystic rite he gives
its presence to his own.**

**And so we show thy death, o lord,
till thou again appear,
and feel, when we approach thy board,
we have an altar here.**

Words: William Bright (1783–1901)

Tune: Albano
Vincent Novello (1781–1861)

Prayers after Communion

A minister says,

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious.

God’s mercy endures forever.

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

The Blessing

May God give to you and to all those you love
his comfort and his peace,
his light and his joy,
in this world and the next;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional Hymn 458

during which the servers and clergy depart

**Forth in the peace of Christ we go;
Christ to the world with joy we bring;
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,
Christ in our hearts, the world's true King.**

**King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;
kingship with him his servants gain;
with Christ, the Servant-Lord of all,
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.**

**Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth
the world of time to consecrate,
the world of sin by grace to heal,
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.**

**Christ's are our lips, his word we speak;
prophets are we whose deeds proclaim
Christ's truth in love, that we may be
Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.**

**We are the church; Christ bids us show
that in his church all nations find
their hearth and home, where Christ restores
true peace, true love, to all mankind.**

Words: James Quinn (1919–2010)

Tune: Duke Street
John Warrington Hatton (1710–93)

Sunday Fellowship

You are all invited to a time of fellowship in the Parish Hall.

February 23rd 6.00 pm

Choral Evensong

The choir of S. Thomas' Preparatory School

All are welcome to attend

(Services of Choral Evensong will now be held every 4th Sunday of the month)



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