

5th Sunday of Easter

2nd May 2021

The Parish Eucharist

Welcome to Liverpool Parish Church.

There has been Christian worship on this site since the 13th century and today we are still proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ in the centre of Liverpool.

All people are welcome in this place. At the Eucharist if you normally receive Holy Communion in your own church, you are welcome to do so here.

Babies and children are welcome in this church. If you feel they are unsettled, there is a small play area for them in the Narthex. You would still be able to see, hear and participate in the service, but please rejoin the rest of the congregation when you are ready.

As far as possible whilst distancing guidance remains in force, our **Sunday School** continues to meet. Parents are welcome to stay with their children or to reclaim them at the end of the service. Our **Activity Packs** for children are not available at the moment.

Donations and Giving. We receive no state aid or subsidy and rely on generous giving for much of our income. If you are a UK taxpayer then please use a Gift Aid envelope. If you worship here regularly then please consider joining the Planned Giving Scheme. There is a contactless donation point in the Narthex.

Calendar for the week

Monday 3 May

Church Open

Tuesday 4 May

09.00 Morning Prayer

Church Open

Wednesday 5 May

09.00 Morning Prayer

12.15 Eucharist

Church Open

Thursday 6 May

09.00 Morning Prayer

Church Open

Friday 7 May

09.00 Morning Prayer

12.15 Eucharist

13.05 RC Mass

Church Open

Saturday 8 May

14.00 Wedding

Church Open

Sunday 9 May

09.00 Morning Prayer

10.00 Parish Eucharist



Before the service

Organ: Aria—Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019)

Opening Greeting

The bell rings and we stand, as we are able:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
Alleluia! Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Confession

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.

We receive an absolution, assuring us of God's forgiveness

When Sunday School is meeting, a prayer is said with our young people at this point before they leave for their session.

The Gloria and Collect

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.

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Readings (we sit)

First Reading (Acts 8.26-end)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22, vv.25-31 is sung by cantors:

25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation; * I will perform my vows in the presence of those that fear you.

26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied; * those who seek the Lord shall praise him; their hearts shall live for ever.

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, * and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

28 For the kingdom is the Lord's * and he rules over the nations.

29 How can those who sleep in the earth bow down in worship, * or those who go down to the dust kneel before him?

30 He has saved my life for himself; my descendants shall serve him; *□ this shall be told of the Lord for generations to come.

31 They shall come and make known his salvation, to a people yet unborn, * declaring that he, the Lord, has done it.

Second reading (1 John 4.7-end)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

(We stand)

Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus said, I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. **Alleluia.**

Please turn to face the Gospel reading (John 15.1-8)

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon— Fr Bill Addy

The Creed (We stand)

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.

The Intercessions (please kneel or sit)

The following response is used:

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

At the end: ...for you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace (We stand)

The Peace is introduced, followed by:

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory

Please remain seated until the end of the Offertory, at which point please stand as the thurifer censes the congregation

The cantors sing:

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluya, 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.
Alleluya, 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.
Alleluya, 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,
Alleluya, Cleansing souls from every stain.

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

Words: G H Bourne (1840-1925)

Music: 'St Helen' - George Martin (1844-1916)

The Eucharistic Prayer

A prayer is said over the gifts on the altar, to which we respond **Amen.**

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 thanks and praise.

The seasonal part of the prayer follows and at the end the cantors sing:

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.

[Communion Service in F - Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019)]

We pray for the Holy Spirit to transform us and the gifts, and then the words of Jesus at the Last Supper are recalled:

The following acclamation is then used:

Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

The prayer continues with oblation and intercession, ending:

... all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Rejoicing in God's new creation, 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.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The cantors sing:

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.

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

If you normally receive Communion in your own church then you are welcome to do so here, or you may prefer the priest to pray for God's blessing on you. Please indicate if you would rather receive a blessing.

In order to preserve social distancing, communion will not be distributed in one central location but will instead be brought to everyone at their seats. Please remain at your seat throughout this time.

Gluten-free hosts are available.

During Communion

The Call

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:

Such a Way, as gives us breath:

Such a Truth, as ends all strife:

Such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, My Light, my Feast, my Strength:

Such a Light, as shows a feast:

Such a Feast, as mends in length:

Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:

Such a Joy, as none can move:

Such a Love, as none can part:

Such a Heart, as joys in love.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Post-Communion Prayers (We stand at 'Let us pray')

After the post-communion prayer we say together

Faithful God, in baptism you have adopted us as your children, made us members of the body of Christ and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom: we thank you that in this Eucharist you renew your promises within us, empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve, and send us out as disciples of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices (please sit)

Blessing and Dismissal (please stand)

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

... 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 the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Organ: Toccata in F (Bux WV 157) - Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

At the end of the service, please take this service sheet away with you (it cannot be used again) and leave the church by the garden door.

You are welcome to visit with others in the church garden but it is not possible for the time being to offer after-service refreshments.

A collection plate will be available next to the garden door for any offerings as well as a contactless donation point.



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Prayer Diary

✠ *Please pray for the recently departed:*

Elsie Tyrer Andrew Whittingham-Jones John Smith Anthony Santamera

	Anglican Communion	Our Diocese	Our Parish
Sunday 2 May	Jerusalem & the Middle East	North Meols Deanery	Campbell St Gradwell St Slater Place
Monday 3 May	Central Buganda (Uganda)	Christ Church Southport	Fleet St Seel St Derby Square
Tuesday 4 May	West Buganda (Uganda)	St Philip and St Paul with Wesley Southport	James St Parker St Lord St
Wednesday 5 May	Buhiga (Burundi)	St Simon and St Jude with All Souls Southport	Harrington St Cook St Union St
Thursday 6 May	Bujumbura (Burundi)	The Transfiguration Birchwood The Ascension Woolston	Castle St Lower Castle St Brunswick St
Friday 7 May	Bukavu (Congo)	St Paul Penketh	Elliot Square Old Ropery St Drury Lane
Saturday 8 May	Bukedi (Uganda)	St Philip Westbrook	Fenwick St Tower Gardens Old Churchyard

Those in Need	Year's Mind
John Langton Elizabeth Cosnett Alfie, Kristy and Ian Montgomery Sam Kilpatrick	Trevor Joyce Harold Champion (pr) Alan Rainford David Peace Laura Sparling Ted Morris Fred Carroll Bert McGrath
Joyce Ashcroft Anna Pendleton Clémentine Amegee Liz Dean	Jean McDonald Rita Ridyard Margaret Heyes Reg Price Desmond Murphy
Gerry Morgan Anne Wade Nadia Attick Flo Langton	
Betty Attick Khalid Binymin Pamela Boardman Willie Smith	Rose Boyd Ernest Boyd
Al Jackson Sylvia Jones Mark McKay Annette Pierrepont	Louis Theobald Paul Cowley
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Marjorie Lawton Tom Carson Pat Field John Pritchard Jean Dyke	

Notices

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Worshipping Together in Lockdown

Public worship takes place on Sundays at 10.00am. Morning Prayer will be said in Church on most days. Weekday Eucharists have now resumed on Wednesdays and Fridays. The Church is open for private prayer every day from 9.00am until 5.00pm

Choral Evensong: This evening at 6.pm.. Preacher Fr Louis Johnson

Micah Foodbank: If you could throw some extra tinned or dried foods in your shopping basket and deliver to Church then we can do the rest. Thank you.

Liverpool & Slavery Walking Tour

We have now set a date with Laurence

Westgaph for one of his popular walking tours to explore the history of slavery in our City. Our tour will have a special focus on the Church. This will take place at 2.30pm on Sunday 23May (donations are invited instead of a set price). To confirm your place please contact the church office

HeartEdge Conference at St Nick's : Following the on-line introductory event earlier this year, we shall be hosting a conference for the HeartEdge movement on 8 July. HeartEdge is a network of churches springing from St Martin in the Fields in London and connected by concern for culture, commerce and compassion in our churches. You can book your ticket (£5 each)

In Memoriam : The flowers by the Maritime Memorial Book have been donated by Dot McGrath in loving memory of her father Bert, on the anniversary of his death on 2nd May.

Caring for Each Other: There are many social and pastoral networks within St Nick's, so please do continue to care for each other in your normal way, having particular regard for those identified as the most vulnerable and are expected to remain isolated at home. If you are concerned about anyone in the congregation then please email the pastoralteam@livpc.co.uk or the clergy.

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