

# WHITECHURCH PARISH,



**Sunday 16 May, 2021.**

**8. 00 a.m. and 10.30 a.m.**

**Sunday after the Ascension.**

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## THE GREETING

The Lord be with you  
**All: and also with you.**

We are the body of Christ.  
**All: By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.**

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:  
**All: One God and Father of all.**

♪ (Solo, at 10.30 a.m. only), Philip McKinley.

## WELCOME

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to the faith we profess (Hebrews 4, v. 13, 16).

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**All: 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.**

## PENITENTIAL KYRIES

God our Father,  
You exalted you Son to sit at your right hand.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are the way, the truth and the life.

Christ, have mercy.

**All: Christ, have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, Counsellor,  
you are sent to be with us for ever.

Lord, have mercy.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

♪ (Solo, at 10.30 a.m., only, George Rice).

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's 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 for the Sunday after the Ascension.

Let us pray ...            (*silent prayer*)

O God the King of Glory,  
You have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
Mercifully give us faith to know  
that, as he promised,  
he abides with us on earth to the end of time;  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.            ***Amen.***

## THE FIRST READING: 1 John 5, v. 9 – 13 (Reader, Con Power).

This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**THE GOSPEL READING: St. John 17, v. 6 – 19.**

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ,  
according to John, chapter 17, beginning at verse 6.

**All: Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

(after the reading).

This is the Gospel of Christ.  
**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

• **THE SERMON.**

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**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 by the Holy Spirit of 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 Prayers of the People.

### THE PEACE

Jesus said, Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.  
I do not give to you as the world gives. John 14: v. 27, 28.

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

♪ (Solo, at 10.30 a.m. only), Philip McKinley.

### Celebrating at the Lord's Table

How can I repay the Lord  
for all the benefits he has given to me?  
I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call upon the name of the Lord.  
I will fulfil my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people. *Psalm 116: 12-14*

### THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us  
**All: therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is here.  
**All: His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

Father, almighty and everliving God,  
at all times and in all places  
it is right to give you thanks and praise:  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Who after he had risen from the dead  
ascended into heaven.  
where he is seated at your right hand to intercede for us  
and to prepare a place for us in glory.  
And so with all your people,  
with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

♪ (Solo, at 10.30 a.m. only), George Rice.

**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!**

Blessed are you, Father,  
 the creator and sustainer of all things;  
 you made us in your own image,  
 male and female you created us;  
 even when we turned away from you,  
 you never ceased to care for us,  
 but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,  
 giving your only begotten Son to become man  
 and suffer death on the cross to redeem us:  
 he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice  
 for the sins of the whole world:  
 he instituted,  
 and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,  
 a perpetual memory of his precious death  
 until he comes again.

\* On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;  
 and when he had given thanks to you, 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 when he had given thanks to you,  
 he gave it to them, saying, *Drink this, all of you,  
 for 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, Father, with this bread and this cup  
 we do as Christ your Son commanded:

**All: we remember his passion and death,  
 we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,  
 and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
 this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;  
 and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,  
 grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit  
 that we may be made one in your holy Church

and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,  
that he may dwell in us and we in him:  
Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

**All: all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. *Amen.***

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

**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**

The bread which we break  
is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**All: *We being many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.***

## **THE COMMUNION**

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God,  
who has taken away the sins of the world.  
Happy 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.**

**All: 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.**

## **THE GREAT SILENCE**

### **POST COMMUNION:-**

Eternal Giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom.  
Confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

**Going Out as God’s People**

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

**(All) May we who share Christ’s body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Christ our exalted King  
pour on you his abundant gifts  
make you faithful and strong to do his will  
that you may reign with him in glory:

†The blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**All: in the name of Christ. Amen.**

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