



ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE

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St Mary's is committed to inclusivity
and there is always a warm welcome
for all.



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Sunday 14th February 2021

Sunday next before Lent

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Wardens on duty upon arrival.

For use of the Church Hearing Loop, please select T.

TODAY WE USE THE RECYCLABLE SERVICE SHEET

Sorry, no 8am Eucharist until Easter Day

10am Parish Eucharist with congregation and online

At 10am Car Parking for permit holders in TASIS South Campus car park

Procession O worship the King
Offertory Angel voices, ever singing
Communion Take my life, and let it be
Recessional Christ triumphant

Celebrant: Fr Damian. Preacher: Fr Gerard. Warden: Peter Gruncell. Welcome: Joan Gruncell & Margaret Alderson. Server: Catherine Wareham-Davies. Readers: Bridgett Grove & Lara Winn-Smith. Intercessions: Andrew Falconer. Pre-recorded music will be used for the Mass with Mtr Jo as Cantor for the Hymns.

Sunday 10am is uploaded to our website in the afternoon.

11am Zoom Coffee & Chat Please click [here](#) to join

7pm Compline on Facebook Live

Led by: Mtr Jo

Sermon Notes for today will be available on the website shortly.

Children's Colouring Sheets are available via our weekly mailer – please contact stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com to sign up.

ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick (immediate need): Lionel Pike, Lyn Borley, Lesley, James & his family, Jannette Taunton, Rosemarie Dancer, Ian Dean, Bryan Lowe, Andrea, Andrew Buchanan, Alice Armstrong, Peter Silvester, Stuart Hatch, Pat Joseph, Carol Mason, Sarah Bradshaw, David Woodward & Kirsty Fuller. **Continuing prayers:** Evie, June, Dennis Gough, Sue Dean, John Brittain, Serina Tatham, Elaine Gill, Robert Marsh, David de Ville, Stephen Coling, Brian O'Kane, David Oldfield, Mark Wardell, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves, Meryl, Patti & Bishop Peter Hancock. **General Prayer Requests:** All affected by Covid-19, and those in the NHS facing a second wave of infections & vaccine roll-out planning, terrorism & natural disasters. Our clergy team, churchwardens and PCC. **The Elderly & Infirm:** June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Margaret & Ruth. **The Recently Departed:** Joseph Perrin Stevens, Henry Mee, John Knight, Tom Cooke.

Anniversaries of Death: Maud White, Georgia Munson, Allan Rouse

Thank you to those who volunteered to look after the Rutherwyke Room "pit-stop" for the Surge volunteers, who enjoyed take-away hot drinks and use of our facilities between Saturday and Wednesday.

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Fr Damian & Mtr Jo are off duty Mon, Tues, Thur & Fri (Half Term)

Monday Morning Prayer online led by Fr Damian.

Tuesday Morning Prayer online led by Fr Gerard.

Wednesday



Morning Prayer online led by Mtr Jo.

7.30pm Festival Eucharist with congregation in Church & online led by Fr Damian.

Service booklet included in mailer.

8am Morning Prayer online led by Fr Damian.

Morning Prayer online led by Fr Gerard.

Morning Prayer online led by Mtr Jo.

10am Said Eucharist with congregation in Church & online led by Fr Gerard.

Some morning services this week will be pre-recorded and uploaded to Facebook by 8am.



Next Sunday – 21st February 2021

Lent 1

Sorry, no 8am Service until Easter Day

10am Parish Eucharist with congregation and online

11am Zoom Coffee & Chat

11.30am Family Service online

7pm Compline online

ST MARY'S CHURCH REMAINS OPEN FOR COVID-SECURE COMMUNAL WORSHIP AND FUNERAL SERVICES – Our PCC have once again voted to remain open at this time for three services of communal worship: Wednesday 10am, Saturday 10am & Sunday 10am. 30 spaces Covid secure or [join worship online at this time](#). We wish to remain open especially for those who live alone, or don't have access to the internet and wish to keep everyone safe. **Do NOT leave your home or attend Church if you feel unwell in any way at all.**

PLEASE NOTE COVID PROCEDURES APPLY FOR ALL SERVICES

Please come in good time to follow entry procedure: Follow the one-way footpath around the church through the churchyard and queue remaining 2 metres from the person in front. Entrance is via the Rutherwyke Room kitchen/back door. All must wash their hands, wear a face mask* and sign-in (for Test & Trace purposes). Please do not sing – you can hum along quietly with your mask on. All services in Church max 30 people (and 8 staff). Please only sit on the chairs spaced at 2 metres and follow the one-way-system through church at all times. THANK YOU for complying with the rules to KEEP US SAFE.

A very warm welcome to members of other church communities who are currently joining us for some of our online worship. You can download the latest service sheet for the Eucharist at www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk

Lent Groups on Zoom – Wednesday 2pm and 7.30pm starting 24th February for 6 weeks. Theme "Out of the desert into hope!" (drafted by Mtr Jo).

2pm click [here](#) or Meeting ID: 842 7293 0481, Passcode: 754958.

7pm click [here](#) or Meeting ID: 896 9513 8298, Passcode: 128427

Runnymede Food Bank – The much needed list is long life milk & juice, rice pudding, sponge pudding, jam, rice, pasta, instant mashed potato, washing powder, toilet & kitchen roll, nappies size 4 & 5. There is a green crate outside the Rutherwyke Room / Link door (under the canopy) where items can be left. This will be checked and emptied daily.



- Only go outside for food, health reasons or work (where this absolutely cannot be done from home)
- Stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people
- Wash your hands as soon as you get home

Gift Aided donations/Collection for Services via <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchThorpe/> click **DONATE**. Cheques: Thorpe PCC.

Items for newsletter by 12nn Wednesdays; items for mailer by 12nn Thursdays - all to stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com please.

FIRST READING

2 Kings 2.1–12

A reading from the second book of Kings.

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 50.1–6

R Our God will come and will not keep silence.

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory. **R**

Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm. He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgement of his people. **R**

'Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.' Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge. **R**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4.3–6

A reading from the second letter of 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. This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Mark 9.2–9

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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. **Amen.**

HYMN 1**Robert Grant 1779-1838**

O worship the King, all glorious above;
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
his chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth, with its store of wonders untold,
almighty, thy pow'r hath founded of old:
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end!
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

O measureless might, ineffable love,
while angels delight to hymn thee above,
thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

HYMN 2**Francis Pott 1832-1909**

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 see,
can it be that thou regardest
our poor hymnody?
Yes, we know that thou art near us,
and wilt hear us constantly.

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.

HYMN 3**Frances Ridley Havergal 1836-1879**

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect, and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine:
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart: it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

HYMN 4**Michael Saward b.1932**

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King.
Lord of heav'n, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, th'eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
Pow'r and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:

Suff'ring servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
Death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:

Priestly King, enthroned for ever
high in heav'n above!
Sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song: