

The Church of St Mary  
Borwick & Priest Hutton

# The Blessed Virgin Mary



**Patronal Festival Eucharist  
to include the dedication  
of the new facilities**

Sunday 5th September 2021

# ***Welcome to St Mary's Church and our worship today***

We welcome the Venerable David Picken, the Archdeacon of Lancaster, as our preacher today. The Archdeacon will also lead the dedication of the new facilities at St Mary's.

We gather as God's people to celebrate together the Eucharist, within the guidance we are encouraged to follow in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We do so with a loving concern for each other's safety and well-being.

Please follow the guidance below:

- Hand sanitiser is encouraged on entering and leaving;
- Face coverings are encouraged on entering and leaving and when moving around inside the building;
- Face coverings are encouraged when seated;
- Seating is in alternate pews;
- Space between households in pews is self-regulated;
- Face coverings are required when singing;
- The Peace is shared visually, not physically;
- Communion is received in one kind (bread) only;
- Follow the directions of the Welcomers when coming forward for communion;
- Face coverings are required when coming forward for communion;
- A collection is not received during the service; please place your envelope or money in the basket at the back of the church.

Thank you.

# ***The Gathering***

*The people are greeted informally.*

**Hymn** Sing we of the blessed Mother

Sing we of the blessed Mother  
who received the angel's word,  
and obedient to his summons  
bore in love the infant Lord;  
sing we of the joys of Mary  
at whose breast that child was fed  
who is Son of God eternal  
and the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,  
of the sword that pierced her through,  
when beneath the cross of Jesus  
she his weight of suffering knew,  
looked upon her Son and Saviour  
reigning high on Calvary's tree,  
saw the price of man's redemption  
paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary  
when she saw the risen Lord,  
and in prayer with Christ's apostles,  
waited on his promised word:  
from on high the blazing glory  
of the Spirit's presence came,  
heavenly breath of God's own being,  
manifest through wind and flame.

Sing the chiefest joy of Mary  
when on earth her work was done,  
and the Lord of all creation  
brought her to his heavenly home:

/ continued over

Virgin Mother, Mary blessèd,  
raised on high and crowned with grace,  
may your Son, the world's redeemer,  
grant us all to see his face.

*George B. Timms*

## The Greeting

*The presiding minister says*

We meet in the name of the living God,  
who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*All* **Amen.**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

*All* **and also with you.**

*Further words of introduction may be said.*

## Prayers of Penitence

*A minister introduces the confession*

We have done what was wrong in the Lord's sight  
and chosen what displeased him.

Yet as a mother comforts her child,  
so shall the Lord himself comfort us.

So let us come to him who knows our every deed and thought.

*Silence is kept*

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of Peace.

Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary.

Christ, have mercy.

*All* **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father.  
Lord, have mercy.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

*The presiding minister pronounces the absolution*

May the God of love and power  
forgive us and free us from our sin,  
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,  
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

## The Gloria

*The following is said*

**All 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 presiding minister introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who stooped to raise fallen humanity  
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:  
grant that we, who have seen your glory  
revealed in our human nature  
and your love made perfect in our weakness,  
may daily be renewed in your image  
and conformed to the pattern of your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## ***The Liturgy of the Word***

### **Readings**

*Isaiah 61.10-end; Galatians 4.4-7*

*At the end of each the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading**

*Luke 1.46-55*

*An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading*

Alleluia, alleluia.

My soul magnifies the Lord

and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.

*All* **Alleluia.**

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

*The Venerable David Picken*

*After the sermon we keep a short time of quiet.*

**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.**

### **Thanksgiving and Dedication of the new spaces**

*The Archdeacon goes to the west end of the church and says the following prayer*

God of the past, the present, and of the future,  
God who is, who was and who is to come,  
today we have gathered to celebrate and to rejoice:  
to give thanks for the reordering of St Mary's Church,  
and to dedicate these new spaces to your purposes,  
so that you continue to be glorified and honoured here in the years to come.

*The Archdeacon faces the new extension and says the following prayer*

O God, make the door of this house be wide enough  
to receive all who need human love and fellowship;  
narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and strife.  
Make its threshold smooth enough to be  
no stumbling block to children, nor to straying feet,  
but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power.  
God make the door of this house the gateway  
to your eternal kingdom.

*The Archdeacon faces the new refreshment facility and says the following prayer*

O God, may what is prepared here bring strength and health.  
Bless the hands that work in this place,  
nourish us with all goodness  
and give us grateful hearts for food and drink.



*The Archdeacon stands in the new gathering space and says the following prayer*

O God, may the fellowship we enjoy here bring strength and joy.  
Bless those who shall sit or talk or work together here,  
nourish us with all goodness  
and give us grateful hearts for friendship and companionship.

*The Archdeacon concludes with the following prayer*

God of the past, the present, and of the future,  
God who is, who was and who is to come,  
dwell in this place, and in our living,  
so that your people at St Mary's Church, Borwick will continue  
to be a people who welcome, worship and witness  
to the Way of faith, hope and love.  
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
may it always be so.

*All* **Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*A minister introduces the prayers with these or other suitable words*

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

*The prayers include the response*

Lord, in your mercy,

*All* **hear our prayer.**

*and end with:*

Merciful Father,

*All* **accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

### **Presentation of choristers awards**

*The Archdeacon presents awards to three junior choristers.*

# ***The Liturgy of the Sacrament***

## **The Peace**

*The presiding minister introduces the Peace*

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,  
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All and also with you.**

## **Preparation of the Table**

*The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

*Whilst we will not receive a collection, the offering of our financial gifts, at this point in the service we will acknowledge all that we offer in support of the mission & ministry of God's Church. Take a moment now to reflect prayerfully on your giving.*

God of grace,  
in our time of darkness  
you bless us with gifts of light.  
We bring our offerings to you  
and with them we offer our lives;  
that they may be used to serve others,  
and give you glory.

We make our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*The following prayer is said*

God our Father,  
your handmaid Mary fed your Son at her virgin breast.  
Nourish us at this table with the bread of heaven  
and the cup of salvation.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

*The presiding minister says*

The Lord be with you

**All and also with you.**

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 thanks and praise.**

*The presiding minister praises God for God's mighty acts and all respond*

**All 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.**

*The presiding minister recalls the Last Supper, and the this acclamation is used*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

*The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly*

...for ever and ever.

**All Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.  
Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The presiding minister breaks the consecrated bread.*

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.**

*The Agnus Dei is said*

**All Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sin,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.**

## **Giving of Communion**

*The presiding minister says the following invitation to communion*

Jesus said, 'Come to me, all who are weary and whose load is heavy; I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble-hearted; and you will find rest for your souls'. *Matthew 11.28-29*

*The presiding minister says*

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

*The presiding minister & people receive communion.*

*During the administration of communion, anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited to give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with them now.*

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.

O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,

may I know you more clearly,

love you more dearly,

and follow you more nearly,

day by day. Amen.

*After the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept.*

*The Post Communion prayer is said.*

God most high,

whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:

we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption

you visit us with your Holy Spirit

and overshadow us by your power;

strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience

and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*The following prayer is said*

**All 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.**

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.

## ***The Dismissal***

*Notices are given.*

**Hymn** Sing the praise of holy Patrons

Sing the praise of holy Patrons,  
saints in heaven above:  
who through prayer and faithful witness  
praised the King of Love.  
Pray for us, O holy Patrons,  
as we glorify God's name.

Sing the praise of great Saint Oswald,  
king of high renown;  
who for love of Christ and people  
gained a martyr's crown.  
Pray for us, O holy Patron,  
as we glorify God's name.

Sing of John, beloved apostle,  
great evangelist;  
opening hearts and minds to glory  
in the Word made flesh.  
Pray for us, O holy Patron,  
as we glorify God's name.

Sing the praise of Blessed Mary,  
bearer of the Word;

strong through joy and sword of sorrow,  
handmaid of the Lord.  
Pray for us, O holy Patron,  
as we glorify God's name.

Sing the praise of all God's people  
who in deed and word,  
kept the faith and sang the praises  
of our saving Lord.  
Now with them in Christ united  
we shall glorify God's name.

*Words: Damian Porter*

## **Blessing and Dismissal**

*The presiding minister pronounces the blessing*

The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary,  
fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*The ministers and people depart.*

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