

SOLEMN MASS

ON THE TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 20 OCTOBER 2024 AT 11.00AM

WELCOME

Welcome to the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool, the mother Church of the Roman Catholic Community, and seat of the Archbishop of Liverpool. We hope you will fully participate in this celebration of the Mass, and that – along with so many others – you will experience the presence of God in this holy place.

THE MASS

At the Last Supper, on the night he was betrayed, Jesus instituted the Eucharist, or the Mass, to perpetuate the sacrifice of the Cross throughout the ages until he should come again.

The Mass is an act of thanksgiving to God for his saving work; it is a sacred meal which nourishes us spiritually and anticipates the heavenly banquet, and it is a holy sacrifice, making present the one true sacrifice of Christ our Saviour.

Roman Catholics believe that Jesus Christ is truly present at the Mass; in the assembly gathered as the Body of Christ, through his Word made present in scripture, but supremely under the appearance of bread and wine. In the Eucharist the body and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ is wholly and entirely present.

Strengthened by this sacred food, we go forth to build up the Body of Christ in this world, and to bring his healing and salvation to all peoples.

The Solemn Mass each Sunday is offered for all Benefactors of the Cathedral.

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN all stand and join in singing



- 1 God is love: his the care,
 Tending each, ev'rywhere.
 God is love, all is there!
 Jesus came to show him,
 That mankind might know him!
 Sing aloud, loud, loud!
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 God is good! God is truth!
 God is beauty! Praise him!
- 2 None can see God above; We can share life and love; Thus may we Godward move, Seek him in creation, Holding ev'ry nation. Sing aloud...
- Jesus lived on the earth,
 Life and hope brought to birth
 And affirmed human worth,
 For he came to save us
 By the truth he gave us.
 Sing aloud...
- 4 To our Lord praise we sing, Light and life, friend and king, Coming down, love to bring, Pattern for our duty, Showing God in beauty. Sing aloud...

INTROIT the Choir sings

Ego clamavi, quoniam exaudisti me, Deus: inclina aurem tuam, et exaudi verba mea: custodi me, Domine, ut pupillam oculi: sub umbra alarum tuarum protege me. I call upon you, God, for you will answer me; bend your ear and hear my prayer. Guard me as the pupil of your eye; hide me in the shade of your wings.

> Psalm 16:6,8 Gregorian Chant

GREETING

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

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE all join in saying

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA Spatzenmesse - Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

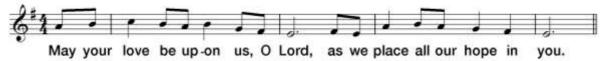
FIRST READING from the prophet Isaiah 53:10-11

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

The Word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 32 all sing the response **R**. after the Cantor and after each verse of the psalm



The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. *R.*

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. *R.*

SECOND READING from the letter to the Hebrews 4:14-16

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION all join in singing the Gospel Acclamation after the Choir and again after the verse



I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me.

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 10:35-45

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?'

They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

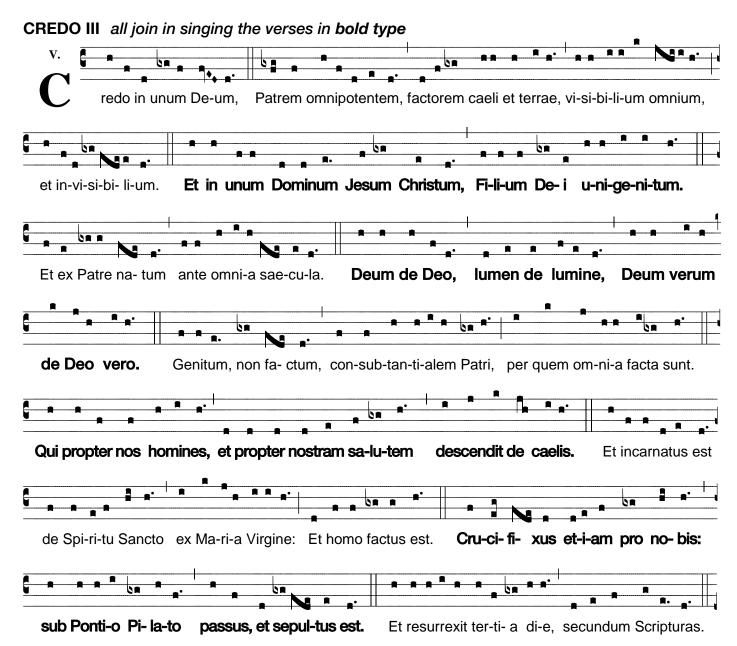
When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

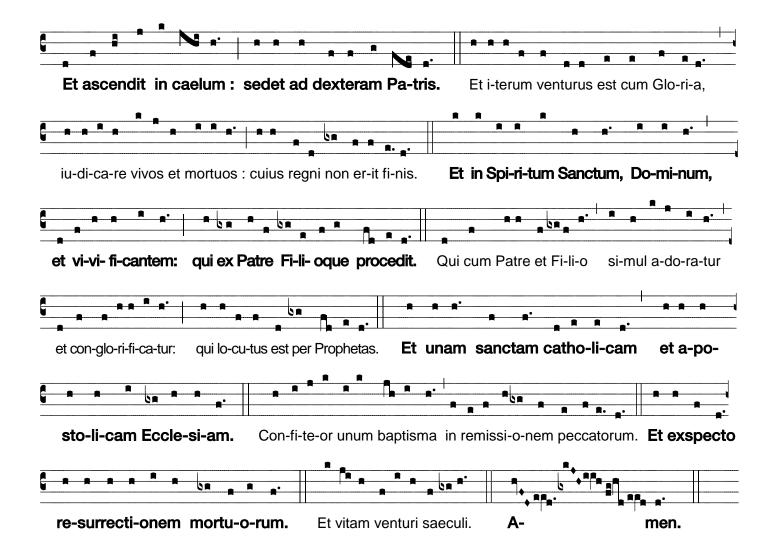
The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel, all sing the Gospel Acclamation.

HOMILY





PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY MOTET a collection is taken for the upkeep of the Cathedral or please use the QR codes at the back of the booklet, meanwhile the Choir sings All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way. And the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

George Frederick Handel (1685-1759)

The Celebrant says
Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

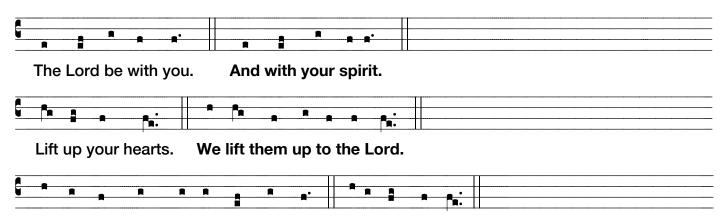
All stand and say

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, Lord, we pray, a sincere respect for your gifts, that, through the purifying action of your grace, we may be cleansed by the very mysteries we serve. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



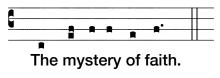
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

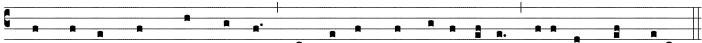
SANCTUS the Choir sings

Sanctus, sanctus Dominus, Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

> Spatzenmesse Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION all join in singing





We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

GREAT AMEN all join in singing



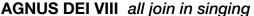
A-men. A-men. A- men.

COMMUNION RITE

THE SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.





A- gnus De- i, * qui tol-lis pecca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa- cem.

Gregorian Chant

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All join in saying

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Those who are not Roman Catholic, or do not wish to receive communion, are welcome to come forward in spiritual communion. Crossing your arms across your chest will indicate to the priest or eucharistic minister that you would welcome his or her words of spiritual communion.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON the Choir sings

Domine Dominus noster, quam admirabile est nomen tuum in universa terra!

How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!

> Psalm 8:2 Gregorian Chant

COMMUNION MOTET the Choir sings

Ave verum corpus natum ex Maria Virgine:
Vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine.
Cujus latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine:
Esto nobis praegustatum mortis in examine.
O Jesu dulcis! O Jesu pie!
O Jesu fili Mariae.

Hail to thee! True body sprung from the Virgin Mary's womb!
The same that on the cross was hung and bore for man the bitter doom.
Thou whose side was pierced and flowed both with water and with blood, suffer us to taste thee in our life's last agony.
O kind, O loving one,
O sweet Jesu, Mary's son!
William Byrd (1543-1623)

HYMN AFTER COMMUNION all stand and join in singing



- 1 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us O'er the world's tempestuous sea; Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, For we have no help but thee; Yet possessing every blessing If our God our Father be.
- 2 Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us, All our weakness thou dost know; Thou didst tread this earth before us, Thou didst feel its keenest woe; Self denying, death defying, Thou to Calvary didst go.
- 3 Spirit of our God, descending, Fill our hearts with heavenly joy; Love with every passion blending, Pleasure that can never cloy; Thus provided, pardoned, guided, Nothing can our peace destroy.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that, benefiting from participation in heavenly things, we may be helped by what you give in this present age and prepared for the gifts that are eternal. Through Christ our Lord. *R.* Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING and DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you: the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Occasional Overture - George Frederick Handel

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