

**SOLEMNITY OF
OUR LORD
JESUS CHRIST,
UNIVERSAL KING
TITULAR FEAST OF THE CATHEDRAL
SOLEMN MASS**

**CELEBRANT
ARCHBISHOP MALCOLM McMAHON OP**

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2024 AT 11.00AM



**Metropolitan Cathedral
of Christ the King Liverpool**

ORDER OF MUSIC

Hymn *Crown him with many crowns*: music by George Elvey (1816-1893); words by Matthew Bridges (1800-1894)

Introit *Dignus est Agnus*: music Gregorian Chant; words Apocalypse 5:12,1:6

Gloria and Sanctus *Coronation Mass*: by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Psalm 92: music by Philip Duffy (b1943)

Gospel Acclamation *Easter Alleluia*: music by Philip Duffy; verse by Christopher McElroy (b1978)

Credo III: music Gregorian Chant

Offertory Motet *Ecce vicit leo*: music by Peter Phillips (1561-1628)

Memorial Acclamation and Great Amen: music *Missal Tones* Gregorian Chant

Agnus Dei *Mass VIII*: music Gregorian Chant

Communion Antiphon *Sedebit Dominus Rex*: music Gregorian Chant

Communion Motet *Agnus Dei*: music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Communion Hymn *Hail, Redeemer, King Divine*: music by Charles Rigby; words by Patrick Brennan (1877-1952), last verse arranged by Philip Duffy (b1943)

Organ Voluntary *Toccata in F*: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Participating in the music of the Mass is the Cathedral Choir. The Choir first sang Solemn Mass on the titular feast of Christ the King in October 1960.

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE *as the procession of ministers approach the sanctuary, all stand and join in singing*



- 1** Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

- 2** Crown him the Lord of love!
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

- 3** Crown him the Lord of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his piercèd feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

- 4** Crown him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
Glassed in a sea of light,
Where everlasting waves
Reflect his throne - the Infinite!
Who lives - and loves - and saves.

INTROIT *the Choir sings*

Dignus est Agnus, qui occisus est,
accipere virtutem,
et divinitatem, et sapientiam,
et fortitudinem, et honorem.
Ipsi gloria et imperium
in saecula saeculorum.

*The Lamb who was slain
is worthy to receive strength
and divinity, wisdom
and power and honour:
to him be glory and
power for ever.*

GREETING and INTRODUCTION

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

Peace be with you.
R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom:
Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and in sacrament to strengthen us and make us holy:
Christ, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.

You will come again in glory with salvation for your people:
Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.
R. Amen.

All sit.

GLORIA *the Choir sings*

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax
hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.
Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam
gloriam tuam.

*Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for
your great glory.*

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius
Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father,
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have
mercy on us;*

Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei
Patris. Amen.

*you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
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.*

COLLECT

Let us pray.
Almighty ever-living God,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of the universe,
grant, we pray,
that the whole creation, set free from slavery,
may render your majesty service
and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.
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.

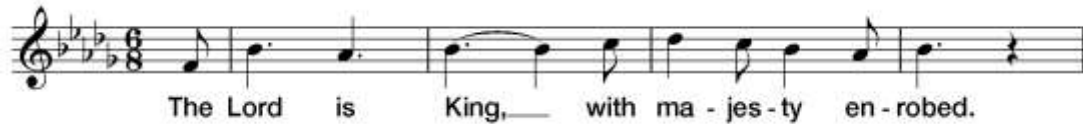
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *from the the prophet Daniel 7:13-14*

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

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

PSALM 92 *all join in singing the response R. after the Choir and again after each verse of the psalm*



The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. **R.**

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **R.**

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. **R.**

SECOND READING *from the book of the Apocalypse 1:5-8*

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *the Deacon of the Gospels asks the Archbishop for his blessing, then he carries the Book of Gospels in procession to the Ambo. When the Choir sings, all stand and join in acclaiming the Gospel*



Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 18:33-37

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

‘Are you the king of the Jews?’ Pilate asked. Jesus replied, ‘Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?’ Pilate answered, ‘Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?’ Jesus replied, ‘Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.’ ‘So you are a king then?’ said Pilate. ‘It is you who say it’ answered Jesus. ‘Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.’

The Gospel of the Lord.


R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All repeat the Alleluia as before.

HOMILY *The Archbishop*

CREDO III *all join in singing the verses in bold type*

v. **C**redo in unum De-um, Patrem omnipotentem, factorem caeli et terrae, vi-si-bi-li-um omnium,
et in-vi-si-bi-li-um. **Et in unum Dominum Jesum Christum, Fi-li-um De-i u-ni-ge-ni-tum.**
Et ex Patre na-tum ante omni-a sae-cu-la. **Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Deum verum**
de Deo vero. Genitum, non fa-ctum, con-sub-tan-ti-alem Patri, per quem om-ni-a facta sunt.
Qui propter nos homines, et propter nostram sa-lu-tem descendit de caelis. Et incarnatus est
de Spi-ri-tu Sancto ex Ma-ri-a Virgine: Et homo factus est. **Cru-ci-fi-xus et-i-am pro no-bis:**



sub Ponti-o Pi-la-to passus, et sepul-tus est. Et resurrexit ter-ti-a di-e, secundum Scripturas.



Et ascendit in caelum : sedet ad dexteram Pa-tris. Et i-terum venturus est cum Glo-ri-a,



iu-di-ca-re vivos et mortuos : cuius regni non er-it fi-nis. **Et in Spi-ri-tum Sanctum, Do-mi-num,**



et vi-vi-fi-can-tem: qui ex Patre Fi-li-o-que procedit. Qui cum Patre et Fi-li-o si-mul a-do-ra-tur



et con-glo-ri-fi-ca-tur: qui lo-cu-tus est per Prophetas. **Et unam sanctam catho-li-cam et a-po-**



sto-li-cam Eccle-si-am. Con-fi-te-or unum baptisma in remissi-o-nem peccatorum. **Et exspecto**



re-surrecti-onem mortu-o-rum. Et vitam venturi saeculi. **A-** **men.**

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL *the Archbishop introduces the bidding prayers*

Today we proclaim Christ as our king. Let us pray that his kingdom may spread throughout the world and convert the hearts of all mankind.

A Reader continues

We pray for the whole Church, and especially for its shepherds and leaders, Pope Francis and the bishops. May they guide us wisely in the ways of God's kingdom.
Lord hear us. **R. Lord graciously hear us.**

We pray for victims of violence and terrorism. May the peace of Christ reign in the hearts of men and women everywhere, so that they may live in mutual respect and love.
Lord hear us. **R. Lord graciously hear us.**

On this Youth Sunday, we pray for all young adults. Lord steer them through the perils of today's culture and help them to channel their generous instincts into your service and the service of their neighbours.

Lord hear us. **R. Lord graciously hear us.**

We pray for our Archdiocese and this Cathedral Church and its community, that we may always give to the world a powerful witness to the values of Christ's kingdom.

Lord hear us. **R. Lord graciously hear us.**

We pray for all who are in need, the hungry, the homeless, the sick and the discouraged. Lord help us to comfort them through our loving care.

Lord hear us. **R. Lord graciously hear us.**

In this month of the Faithful Departed, we pray for the dead. May they come quickly to the full enjoyment of Christ's heavenly kingdom.

Lord hear us. **R. Lord graciously hear us.**

Finally we commend these and all our prayers to the intercession of Mary, mother of Christ and our Blessed Mother. **Hail Mary...**

The Archbishop concludes

Heavenly Father,

we acknowledge Christ your Son as our King.

Renew our loyalty and fidelity to him,

so that his kingdom may rule our hearts and lives.

We ask this through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

All sit.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS *a collection is taken for the upkeep of the Cathedral or please use the QR codes at the back of the booklet. The gifts of bread and wine are carried forward to the Sanctuary. Meanwhile the Choir sings*

Ecce vicit Leo de tribu Juda,
radix David, aperire librum,
et solvere septem signacula eius.
Alleluia.

*Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah,
the root of David, hath prevailed to open
the book and loose the seven seals.
Alleluia.*

Dignus est Agnus qui occisus est,
accipere virtutem, et divinitatem,
et sapientiam, et fortitudinem,
et honorem, et gloriam, et
benedictionem. Alleluia.

*Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to
receive power, and godliness,
and wisdom, and strength,
and honour, and glory, and blessing.
Alleluia.*

All stand.

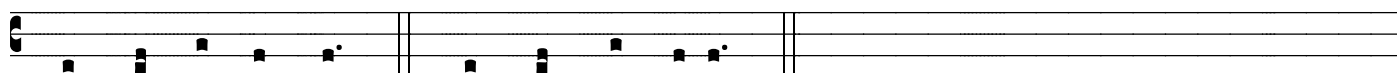
The Archbishop says
Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

R. 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.

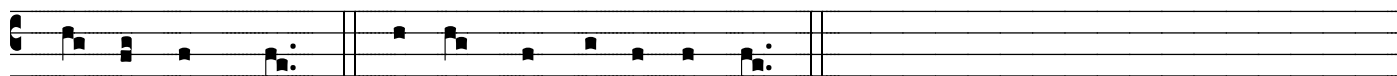
PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice
by which the human race is reconciled to you,
we humbly pray
that your Son himself may bestow on all nations
the gifts of unity and peace.
Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

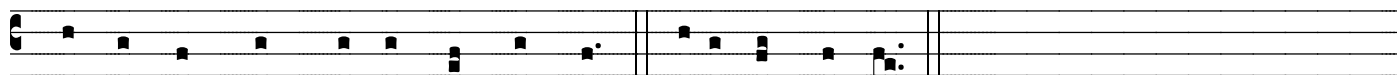
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER



The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.



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

It is truly right and just, our duty and salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks.
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For you anointed your Only Begotten Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ, with the oil of gladness
as eternal Priest and King of all creation,
so that, by offering himself on the altar of the Cross
as a spotless sacrifice to bring us peace,
he might accomplish the mysteries of human redemption
and, making all created things subject to his rule,
he might present to the immensity of your majesty
an eternal and universal kingdom,
a kingdom of truth and life,
a kingdom of holiness and grace,
a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

The Archbishop continues

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour,
Jesus Christ.

**R. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

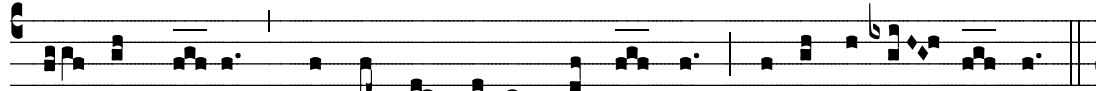
Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

AGNUS DEI VIII *all join in singing*

VI 
A - gnus De- i, * qui tol- lis pecca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no- bis.


A-gnus De- i, * qui tol- lis pecca-ta mun- di: mi-se-re-re no- bis.


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

All kneel.

The Archbishop says

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.

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

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COMMUNION ANTIPHON *the Choir sings*

Sedebit Dominus Rex in aeternum:
Dominus benedicet populo suo in pace.

The Lord will reign for ever and will give his people the gift of peace.

COMMUNION MOTET *the Choir sings*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.*

COMMUNION HYMN *all stand and join in singing*



- 1 Hail, Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine;
King whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace!
Angels, saints and nations sing -
‘Praised be Jesus Christ, our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary’.
- 2 King, whose name creation thrills,
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills;
Till in peace each nation rings
With thy praises, King of kings!
Angels, saints...
- 3 King most holy, King of truth,
Guard the lowly, guide the youth,
Christ, thou King of glory bright,
Be to us eternal light!
Angels, saints...

- 4 Shepherd-King o'er mountains steep
Homeward bring the wandering sheep:
Shelter in one royal fold
States and kingdoms new and old.
Sing with joy in ev'ry home:
'Sacred Heart, thy Kingdom come!
To the King of Ages, then,
Honour, glory, love. Amen.'

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Having received the food of immortality,
we ask, O Lord,
that, glorying in obedience
to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe,
we may live with him eternally in his heavenly Kingdom.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

SOLEMN BLESSING *the Archbishop says*

The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.

May the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
R. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.
R. Amen.

DISMISSAL *the Deacon says*

Go forth, the Mass is ended.
R. Thanks be to God.

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