



# Parish Eucharist

for Mothering Sunday

30 March 2025

10am



**ST MARGARET'S**  
PUTNEY

*Welcome to St Margaret's. The church operates a hearing loop system. Please turn your hearing aid to the "T" position. Please take a moment before our service begins to pray. A voluntary and introit may be played.*

Sing psalms, hymns, and sacred songs; sing to God with thanksgiving in your hearts.

*Please stand as you are able:*

Be thou my vision,  
O Lord of my heart.  
Be all else but naught to me,  
save that thou art.  
Be thou my best thought  
in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping,  
thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom,  
be thou my true word.  
Be thou ever with me  
and I with thee, Lord.  
Be thou my great Father  
and I thy true son.  
Be thou in me dwelling  
and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate,  
my sword for the fight.  
Be thou my whole armour,  
be thou my true might.  
Be thou my soul's shelter,

be thou my strong tower,  
O raise thou me heavenward,  
great power of my power.

Riches I heed not,  
nor man's empty praise.  
Be thou my inheritance  
now and always.  
Be thou and thou only  
the first in my heart,  
O Sovereign of heaven,  
my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven,  
thou heaven's bright sun,  
O grant me its joys  
after vict'ry is won.  
Great Heart of my own heart,  
whatever befall,  
still be thou my vision,  
O Ruler of all.

SLANE

*Irish c 8th century tr. Mary Byrne 1880-1931  
traditional Irish melody*

The Lord be with you.  
*All* And also with you.

*Please be seated for the welcome.*

*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.

### Prayers of Penitence

Brothers and sisters,  
as we prepare to celebrate,  
let us call to mind our sins.

*All* **Almighty God,**  
our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour in  
thought and word and deed:  
through negligence, through  
weakness, through our own  
deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent  
of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son  
Jesus Christ, who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve  
you in newness of life to the  
glory of your name. Amen.

*The choir and congregation sings:*

Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

The Father of all mercies  
cleanse you from your sins, and  
restore you in his image to the  
praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

### The Collect

Let us pray:

God of love,  
passionate and strong,  
tender and careful:  
watch over us and hold us  
all the days of our life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### Exodus 2:1-10

A reading from the book of  
Exodus.

A man from the tribe of Levi  
married a woman of his own  
tribe, and she bore him a son.  
When she saw what a fine  
baby he was, she hid him for  
three months. But when she  
could not hide him any longer,  
she took a basket made of  
reeds and covered it with tar to  
make it watertight. She put the  
baby in it and then placed it in  
the tall grass at the edge of

the river. The baby's sister stood some distance away to see what would happen to him. The king's daughter came down to the river to bathe, while her servants walked along the bank. Suddenly she noticed the basket in the tall grass and sent a slave woman to get it. The princess opened it and saw a baby boy. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. Then his sister asked her, "Shall I go and call a Hebrew woman to nurse the baby for you?"

"Please do," she answered. So the girl went and brought the baby's own mother. The princess told the woman, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So she took the baby and nursed him. Later, when the child was old enough, she took him to the king's daughter, who adopted him as her own son. She said to herself, "I pulled him out of the water, and so I name him Moses."

*The reader concludes:*

This is the word of the Lord.

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us,  
you are one with us, Mary's son.  
Cleansing our souls from all their sin,  
pouring your love and goodness in;  
Jesus, our love for you we sing,  
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
now and every day  
teach us how to pray, Son of God.  
You have commanded us to do  
this in remembrance, Lord, of you:  
into our lives your power breaks through,  
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us,  
born as as one of us, Mary's son;  
led out to die on Calvary,  
risen from death to set us free,  
living Lord Jesus, help us see  
you are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
I would come to you,  
live my life for you, son of God.  
All your commands I know are true,  
your many gifts will make me new,  
into my life your power breaks through,  
living Lord.

*LIVING LORD*

*Patrick Appleford 1925-2018*

*Arranged John Birch 1929-2012*

## Colossians 3:12-17

A reading from the letter to the Colossians.

You are the people of God; he loved you and chose you for his own. So then, you must clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Be tolerant with one another and forgive one another whenever any of you has a complaint against someone else. You must forgive one another just as the Lord has forgiven you. And to all these qualities add love, which binds all things together in perfect unity. The peace that Christ gives is to guide you in the decisions you make; for it is to this peace that God has called you together in the one body. And be thankful. Christ's message in all its richness must live in your hearts. Teach and instruct one another with all wisdom. Sing psalms, hymns, and sacred songs; sing to God with thanksgiving in your hearts. Everything you do or say, then, should be done in the name of the Lord Jesus, as you give thanks through him to God the Father.

*The reader concludes:*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*    **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel:*

*Praise to You, O Christ, King of Eternal Glory. Praise to You, O Christ, king of eternal glory.*

***Praise to You, O Christ, King of Eternal Glory. Praise to You, O Christ, king of eternal glory.***

*I will leave this place and go to my Father and say: 'Father, I have sinned, I have sinned against heaven and have sinned against you.'*

***Praise to You, O Christ, King of Eternal Glory. Praise to You, O Christ, king of eternal glory.***

## Luke 2:33-35

The Lord be with you.

*All*    **And also with you.**

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

*The congregation sings:*

*All*    **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The father and mother of the child Jesus were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for

the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The Gospel will be followed by a voluntary.*

### The Talk

*Please be seated.*

Let us declare our faith in God:  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*All* **We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### Prayers of Intercession

*Please be seated.*

As children of a loving God who always listens to our cries, let us pray to our Father in heaven.

*The response is:*

Lord, in your mercy,

*All* **hear our prayer.**

*The intercessions conclude:*

Merciful Father,

*All* **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### The Peace

*The congregation stands.*

Through the prophet Isaiah, God says, 'As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

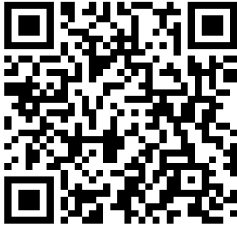
*All* **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*The peace is shared.*

## The Collection

- *Please fill in a gift-aid envelope if you are a UK tax payer.*
- *Contactless Machines are available at the back of church if you wish to donate by card*
- *You can go straight to our secure giving page by scanning the QR code:*



I cannot tell how  
he whom angels worship  
should stoop to love  
the peoples of the earth,  
or why as shepherd  
he should seek the wand'rer,  
with his mysterious  
promise of new birth.  
But this I know,  
that he was born of Mary,  
when Beth'lem's manger  
was his only home  
and that he lived  
at Nazareth and laboured  
and so the Saviour,  
Saviour of the world, is come.

I cannot tell how  
silently he suffered,  
as with his peace  
he graced this place of tears,  
or how his heart  
upon the cross was broken,  
the crown of pain  
to three and thirty years.  
But this I know,  
he heals the broken-hearted  
and stays our sin and  
calms our lurking fear  
and lifts the burden  
from the heavy laden,  
for yet the Saviour,  
Saviour of the world, is here.

I cannot tell how  
he will win the nations,  
how he will claim  
his earthly heritage,  
how satisfy  
the needs and aspirations  
of east and west,  
of sinner and of sage.  
But this I know,  
all flesh shall see his glory  
and he shall reap  
the harvest he has sown  
and some glad day  
his sun shall shine in splendour  
when he the Saviour,  
Saviour of the world, is known.

I cannot tell how  
 all the lands shall worship,  
 when, at his bidding,  
 ev'ry storm is stilled,  
 or who can say how  
 great the jubilation  
 when ev'ry heart  
 with perfect love is filled.  
 But this I know,  
 the skies will thrill with rapture,  
 and myriad, myriad  
 human voices sing  
 and earth to heav'n,  
 and heav'n to earth, will answer:  
 'At last the Saviour,  
 Saviour of the world, is King!'

DANNY BOY

William Young Fullerton 1857-1932

Trad Irish, arr. Noel Rawsthorne 1929-2019

### Prayer over the Gifts

Yours, Lord, is the greatness,  
 the power, the glory, the  
 splendour, and the majesty;  
 for everything in heaven and  
 on earth is yours.

All things come from you,  
 and of your own do we give you.

### The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you

And al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

*The congregation is seated.*

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, for in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again. Through fasting, prayer and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart. Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with joyful hearts and minds we bless you for your mercy and join with saints and angels, for ever praising you and singing:



**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory:  
Hosanna, Hosanna,  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, Hosanna,  
Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise and bless you,  
loving Father, through Jesus  
Christ, our Lord; and as we  
obey his command, send your  
Holy Spirit, that broken bread  
and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and  
blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he  
had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised  
you. He broke the bread, gave  
it to them and said: Take, eat;  
this is my body which is given  
for you; do this in  
remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he  
took the cup of wine. Again he  
praised you, gave it to them  
and said: Drink this, all of you;  
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.

So, Father, we remember all  
that Jesus did, in him we plead  
with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the  
cross. Bringing before you the  
bread of life and cup of  
salvation, we proclaim his  
death and resurrection until he  
comes in glory.

*All* Great is the mystery of faith.  
**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life, help us to work  
together for that day when  
your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be  
seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your  
people, gather us in your  
loving arms and bring us with  
the Blessed Virgin Mary, St  
Margaret and all the saints to  
feast at your table in heaven.  
Through Christ, and with Christ,  
and in Christ, in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit, all honour and glory  
are yours, O loving Father, for  
ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*Silence is held.*

As God's children, and heirs  
with Christ we cry in the Spirit,  
'Abba', Father.

*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 for ever. Amen.**

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.**

**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:  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the  
sins of the world: grant us peace.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who  
takes away the sin of the  
world. Blessed 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.**

### The Communion

- *All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Communion.*
- *The sacrament is distributed from front and back of church. Please follow the sides-persons instructions.*
- *If you would like a blessing please bow your head to indicate this.*

*An anthem may be sung.*

### Prayers after Communion

Loving God, as a mother  
feeds her children at the  
breast you feed us in this  
sacrament with the food and  
drink of eternal life: help us  
who have tasted your  
goodness to grow in grace  
within the household of faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*All* Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of  
your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you  
our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of  
your Spirit to live and work  
to your praise and glory.  
Amen.

*The Notices are given.*

*The children present their work.*

*Please stand for our closing hymn.*

Tell out, my soul,  
the greatness of the Lord:  
unnumbered blessings,  
give my spirit voice;  
tender to me  
the promise of his word.  
In God my Saviour  
shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul,  
the greatness of his name:  
make known his might,  
the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure,  
from age to age the same,  
his holy name,  
the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul,  
the greatness of his might:  
powers and dominions  
lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn  
wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed,  
the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul,  
the glories of his word:  
firm is his promise  
and his mercy sure.

Tell out, my soul,  
the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children  
and for evermore.

WOODLANDS  
Timothy Dudley-Smith b 1926  
Walter Greatorex 1877-1949

### The Blessing & Dismissal

Let us pray for God's blessing.

The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

Christ give you grace to grow in  
holiness, to deny yourselves,  
take up your cross, and follow  
him; and the blessing of God  
almighty, the Father, the Son  
and the Holy Spirit, be among  
you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve  
the Lord.

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

*voluntary*  
Prelude in G - Bach (1685-1750)

*Refreshments are served  
in the kitchen.*