

**St Mary-at-Finchley**  
**Parish Eucharist**  
**10am**  
**Trinity Sunday**  
**31<sup>st</sup> May 2026**

**The Gathering**

**Processional Hymn** 277 Jesus shall reign

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
does his successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue  
dwell on his love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns:  
the prisoners leap to lose their chains;  
The weary find eternal rest,  
and all the humble poor are blest.

To him shall endless prayer be made,  
and praises throng to crown his head;  
his name like incense shall arise  
with every morning sacrifice.

Let every creature rise and bring  
peculiar honours to our King;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud Amen.

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

### **The Greeting**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

### **Prayer of Preparation**

**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;**  
**Christ our Lord.**  
**Amen.**

### **Prayers of Penitence**

Holy, holy, holy.  
When our eyes have seen the Lord of hosts,  
we echo the words of Isaiah,

'Woe is me! I am doomed.'  
We long for the fire of God's cleansing to touch  
our unclean lips,  
for our iniquity to be removed and our sins wiped out.  
So we meet Father, Son, and Holy Spirit with confession on our lips.

*Silence is kept.*

**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.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon *you*,  
pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins,  
confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness,  
and keep *you* in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**Gloria in Excelsis** (*Poston Mass*)

**Gloria, gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo,  
Glory, glory, glory be to thee,  
And peace to his people here on earth.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te,  
We praise thee, we bless thee, we adore thee,**

**We glorify thee, glorificamus, glorify thee, glorificamus,  
We give thee thanks for thy great glory.  
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens,  
Only Son of the Father, Jesus Christ,  
Thou who takest away the sins of the world,  
Have mercy on us,  
Thou who takest away the sins of the world,  
Receive our prayer,  
Thou who art at the right hand of the Father  
Have mercy on us,  
Solus sanctus, quoniam tu solus sanctus,  
Thou alone art the Lord,  
Thou alone most high, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Collect**

Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

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

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah (40.12-17, 27-end)**

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand  
and marked off the heavens with a span,  
enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure,  
and weighed the mountains in scales  
and the hills in a balance?  
Who has directed the spirit of the Lord,  
or as his counsellor has instructed him?  
Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,  
and who taught him the path of justice?  
Who taught him knowledge,  
and showed him the way of understanding?  
Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket,  
and are accounted as dust on the scales;  
see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.  
Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,  
nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.  
All the nations are as nothing before him;  
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,  
'My way is hidden from the Lord,  
and my right is disregarded by my God'?  
Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 8**

**You have set your glory above the heavens.**

O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.  
Out of the mouths of babes and infants  
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

**You have set your glory above the heavens.**

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;  
what are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?

**You have set your glory above the heavens.**

Yet you have made them a little lower than God,  
and crowned them with glory and honour.  
You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,

**You have set your glory above the heavens.**

all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,  
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**You have set your glory above the heavens.**

**A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians (13.11  
– end)**

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

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

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come,  
the Almighty.

**Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (28.16-end)

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

## The Creed

**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.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

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

*at the end*

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

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.  
The peace of the triune God be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

### **The Offertory**

**Hymn 124** Father of heaven

Father of heav'n whose love profound  
a ransom for our souls hath found,  
before Thy throne we sinners bend;  
to us Thy pardoning love extend.

Almighty Son, Incarnate Word,  
our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,  
before Thy throne we sinners bend;  
to us Thy saving grace extend.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath  
the soul is raised from sin and death,  
before Thy throne we sinners bend;  
to us Thy quickening pow'r extend.

Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son,  
mysterious Godhead, Three in One,  
before Thy throne we sinners bend;  
grace, pardon, life, to us extend.

## **Prayer at the Preparation of the Table**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,  
which earth has given and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you  
**and also 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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit  
you are one God, one Lord.

All that you reveal of your glory,  
the same we believe of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.

We, your holy Church, acclaim you,

Father of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

Three Persons we adore,  
one in being and equal in majesty.

And so with angels and archangels,  
with cherubim and seraphim,  
we sing for ever of your glory:

**Sanctus, sanctus Dominus, sanctus, Deus,**

**Holy, holy, holy one, holy Lord,**

**Heav'n and earth are full of thy glory, glory be to thee, glory be,**

**O my Lord most high, glory be to thee.**

**Sanctus, sanctus Dominus, sanctus, Deus,**

**Holy, holy, holy one, holy, holy Lord**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of Mary the God-bearer and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*Kneel for* **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## **Breaking of Bread**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## **Agnus Dei**

**Agnus Dei, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.  
Agnus Dei, Lamb of God, grant us all of your peace.  
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## **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*Communicant members of all Christian Churches are welcome to receive Holy*

*Communion in this Church*

*Anybody is welcome to come forward for to receive a blessing.*

Anthem: Tchaikovsky, *Hymn to the Trinity*

## **Prayer after Communion**

Holy God,  
Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

**Amen**

**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**

**Hymn 514** Thou whose almighty word

Thou, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,

and where the gospel-day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!

Thou, who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy dove,  
speed forth thy flight;  
move on the water's face,  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light!

Holy and blessed three,  
glorious Trinity,  
wisdom, love, might;  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the earth far and wide  
let there be light!

## **The Dismissal**

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

God the Father,

who first loved us and made us accepted in the beloved Son, bless you.

**Amen.**

God the Son,

who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood, bless you.

**Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,

who sheds abroad the love of God in our hearts, bless you.

**Amen.**

The blessing of the one true God,

to whom be all love and all glory for time and for eternity,

come down upon you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

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