

## PARISH OF BLESSED JAMES BELL

*Serving St Benedict's, St Mary's & St Oswald's  
Warrington*



### Service of Reconciliation at Home

#### Gathering Song

You might like to choose a song from a CD or YouTube to begin your time of prayer.

#### Sign of the Cross

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

**R. Amen.**

#### Collect Prayer

O God,  
as we journey through this holy week with your Son,  
draw us close to his Cross,  
so that, comforted by his word of forgiveness,  
we may truly commend ourselves into your hands.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

#### Gospel

*(John 15: 9-14)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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

At the Last Supper, Jesus said to his disciples:  
"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.  
Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments  
you will remain in my love,  
just as I have kept my Father's commandments  
and remain in his love.

I have told you this  
so that my own joy may be in you  
and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment:  
love one another, as I have loved you.  
A man can have no greater love  
than to lay down his life for his friends.  
You are my friends, if you do what I command you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### Examination of Conscience

Take a few moments to become quiet in yourself...

Now, in the silence, ask the Lord to bring to mind any  
sins and mistakes that need his mercy and healing...

Having spent some time becoming aware of your sins,  
give them to the Lord like an offering...

Finally, ask yourself: Is there anything I can try to put  
right? ... Is there anything I need to try and do better in  
the future? ... Ask the Holy Spirit to help you.

#### Act of Sorrow

Let us ask forgiveness from God and from each other  
as we pray:

**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.**

#### The Lord's Prayer

Let us ask the Father to forgive us  
and to help us to forgive those who sin against 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.**

*Pray together:*

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

#### Sign of Peace

If it is safe to do so, share a sign of peace with each  
other.

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

**R. For his love endures for ever.**  
To the God of heaven give thanks  
**R. For his love endures for ever.**

#### Blessing

May the Lord bless us, keep us from all evil,  
and bring us to everlasting life.

**R. Amen.**

If you share your home with others, it might be an idea  
to share a meal together at the end of the service.

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