

PARISH OF BLESSED JAMES BELL

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



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Home Mission Day – 19 September 2021

KEEPING EACH OTHER SAFE

- 1) If you are able, please register your attendance by using the QR code displayed on the main doors for the purposes of contact tracing.
- 2) Please wear a face covering (over your nose and mouth) and sanitise your hands.
- 3) Please leave a space between the person sitting next to you unless you are in the same household, and please try not to sit directly behind or in front of another person (i.e. zigzag seating).
- 4) We are gradually reintroducing some singing at Mass while wearing face coverings. So you are invited to join in singing the Kyrie, the Psalm Response, the Gospel Acclamation and the Holy, Holy.

Thank you for thinking of others.

Introductory Rites

Gathering Song

Music: Be thou my vision – Old Irish Hymn

Greeting & Introduction

Kyrie

Music: Mass of God's Mercy – Richard Cootes

Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison

Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison

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

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Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

Collect

O God,
who founded all the commands of your sacred Law
upon love of you and of our neighbour,
grant that, by keeping your precepts,
we may merit to attain eternal life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

(Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20)

A reading from the book of Wisdom

The godless say to themselves:

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man,
since he annoys us
and opposes our way of life,
reproaches us for our breaches of the law
and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

'Let us see if what he says is true,
let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.
If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part
and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.
Let us test him with cruelty and with torture,
and thus explore this gentleness of his
and put his endurance to the proof.
Let us condemn him to a shameful death
since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 54

The Lord upholds my life.

- 1 O God, by your name save me,
and by your might defend my cause.
O God, hear my prayer;
hearken to the words of my mouth.
- 2 For the haughty have risen up against me,
the ruthless seek my life;
they set not God before their eyes.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

(Mark 9: 30-37)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee;
and he did not want anyone to know, because he was
instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son
of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they
will put him to death; and three days after he has been
put to death he will rise again.' But they did not
understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the
house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about
on the road?' They said nothing because they had

been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.**

Bidding Prayers

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

Music: Teach me, O Lord – Thomas Attwood (1765-1838), organist at St Paul's Cathedral, London.

Prayer over the Offerings

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray,
the offerings of your people,
that what they profess with devotion and faith
may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, Holy – Mass of Christ the Saviour (Schutte)
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes,
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

The Mystery of Faith

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.**

Communion

Music: If – Roger Pulvers (the title song from Libera's new album to be released on 15 October 2021)

**If at the sound of a wish
the summer sun would shine
and if just a smile would do
to brush all the clouds from the sky**

**If at the blink of an eye
the autumn leaves would whirl
and if you could sigh a deep sigh
to scatter them over the earth**

**I'd blink my eyes and wave my arms
I'd wish a wish to stop all harm (x2)**

**If at the wave of a hand
the winter snows would start
and if you could just light a candle
to change people's feelings and hearts**

**I'd whisper love in every land
to every child woman and man
That's what I'd do if my wishes come true (x2)**

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- 1) Please do not move until you are invited to do so.
- 2) Please maintain social distancing when you move and try to avoid contact with the minister's hands by keeping your hands as flat as possible.
- 3) When you have received the host, simply step to the side, lower your face covering and place the host in your mouth.

Prayer after Communion

Graciously raise up, O Lord,
those you renew with this Sacrament,
that we may come to possess your redemption
both in mystery and in the manner of our life.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Concluding Rite

Blessing & Dismissal

Recessional

Music: Trumpet Minuet – Alfred Hollins

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