

PARISH OF BLESSED JAMES BELL

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



Mass of Requiem for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II 11 September 2022

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

- The wearing of face coverings is optional.
- Please give each other space when entering and leaving church, and at communion.
- Sanitising hands when entering church continues to be recommended.
- If you are displaying symptoms of Covid-19, then you should stay at home and not come to church.

Introductory Rites

Gathering Song

Praise my soul the King of heaven (807)

Greeting & Introduction

A Moment of Silence

Collect

O God,
to whom mercy and forgiveness belong,
hear our prayers on behalf of your servant Elizabeth,
whom you have called out of this world;
and because she put her hope and trust in you,
command that she be carried safely home to heaven
and come to enjoy your eternal reward.
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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

First Reading

(Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14)

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and

offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!"' the Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: "I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever."'

So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121 *(Setting by Sir Henry Walford Davies)*

- 1 I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
from whence cometh thy help.
- 2 My help cometh even from the Lord;
who hath made heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved;
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
- 4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel;
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5 The Lord himself is thy keeper;
the Lord is thy defencer upon thy right hand;
- 6 So that the sun shall not burn thee by day;
neither the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil;
yea, it is even he that shall keep they soul.
- 8 The Lord shall preserve they going out,
and thy coming in;
from this time forth from evermore.
Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

(Luke 15: 1-10)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his

shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

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

The Lord's my shepherd (806)

Prayer over the Offerings

Look favourably on our offerings, O Lord,
so that your departed servant, Elizabeth,
may be taken up into glory with your Son,
in whose great mystery of love we are all united.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

Mass of Hope – Bernadette Farrell (559)

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
Holy Lord, Holy Lord, God of hosts.**

**Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed, blessed, blessed, blessed is he
who comes in the name,
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
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

When coming forward for communion, please give the person in front of you some space, and please try to avoid contact with the minister's hands by keeping your hands as flat as possible. Thank you.

Music: A Lament played on the bagpipes in St Paul's Cathedral on Friday evening.

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, we give thanks
for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth,
for her faith and her dedication to duty.
Bless our nation as we mourn her death
and may her example continue to inspire us.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon her.

May she rest in peace

R. Amen.

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

Concluding Rite

Prayer for the King

The National Anthem

**God save our gracious King,
long live our noble King,
God save The King.
Send him victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save The King.**

Blessing & Dismissal

Recessional

Organ: Elegy – George Thalben-Ball

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