



*“Speak, for your servant is listening!”*

A Celebration of the Ministry of  
All Saints Hightown  
(1864-2024)

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Rector

## **The Gathering**

*After some reflective music a brief period of silence precedes the service. A bell will ring and the following Call to Worship is then led by a reader from the back of the Church:*

As we wait in silence

**Fill us with your Spirit**

As we listen to your Word

**Fill us with your Spirit**

As we worship you in Majesty

**Fill us with your Spirit**

As we long for your renewing

**Fill us with your Spirit**

As we long for your equipping

**Fill us with your Spirit**

As we long for your empowering

**Fill us with your Spirit**

### **Introit Hymn**

All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
him serve with fear, his praise forth-tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,  
without our aid he did us make;  
we are his flock, he doth us feed  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

Because the Lord our God is good;  
his mercy is for ever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,  
the God whom heav'n and earth adore,  
from us and from the angel-host  
be praise and glory evermore.

*William Kethe (d. 1594).*

### **The Greeting**

*The President greets the people and introduces the service.*

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

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

### **Prayers of Penitence**

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our  
Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a  
people as his own. Let us therefore confess our sins.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord Jesus, illuminate the darkness in our hearts:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, open our eyes to your saving love:  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, unstop our ears to hear your living word:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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**

People of God, as today we mark the closing of this church of All Saints Hightown, we remember with thanksgiving the many ways in which God has blessed ministry and the lives of many in this place over the last 160 years. And so, we praise God as we say together:

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly king,  
Almighty God and Father.  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world.  
Have mercy on us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **The Collect**

Let us pray that we may know and share the light of Christ.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
your name is blessed in all the earth,  
receive our prayers and thanksgiving this day  
for the blessings and comfort that  
you have bestowed on your people in this house of prayer.  
Continue your mercies to your church  
that we may know your unchanging love in our lives.  
Now and always. **Amen.**

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

#### **Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 3: 4-11, 19-20**

A reading from the first book of Samuel:

Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So, he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.'

Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore, Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' Then the Lord said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle.

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

*At the end the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual Hymn**

Alleluia, sing to Jesus,  
his the sceptre, his the throne;  
alleluia, his the triumph,  
his the victory alone:  
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
Jesus, out of ev'ry nation,  
hath redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
alleluia, he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how;  
though the cloud from sight received him  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia! bread of angels,  
here on earth our food, our stay;  
alleluia, here the sinful  
come to you from day to day.  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal,  
he the Lord of lords we own;  
alleluia, born of Mary,  
earth his footstool, heav'n his throne;  
he within the veil has entered  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
he on earth both priest and victim  
in the Eucharistic Feast.

*William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898).*

### **Gospel Reading: John 21: 15-19**

Alleluia, alleluia.  
'Go and make disciples of all nations,' says the Lord; 'And  
behold I am with you to the end of the age'. **Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

*At the end of the Gospel the Priest says:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

## **Prayers & Creed**

*Each petition is said at the place in the church that is the subject of the prayer.*

*At the front of the nave:*

Almighty God, here in this place you have gathered us as your church and have filled our hearts with your love through our songs and praises. You have heard our sorrows and made us glad in our celebrations. And so we praise you now for our fellowship in Christ, for our mission and ministry and for all that you have given us in our life together in this church.



For these and all your gifts **we praise and thank you.**

*At the font:*

Loving God, at this font you have received us and have made us one with your Son Jesus Christ. Through baptism you have given to us your Holy Spirit that faith, hope, wisdom and love might abide in all your people. So now we praise and thank you for the holy waters that have flowed from this font onto your disciples. We pray, too, that this river of life may continue to flow through us into your world.

For these and all your gifts **we praise and thank you.**

*At the lectern:*

Lord of love, from this lectern we have heard your powerful Word to us, the Word of Life. Here we have been built up by the Scriptures and here we have been taught, and challenged, and guided in your way. So now we praise and thank you for your powerful Word to us and we pray that it will continue to be for us a light to our path and a guide for our lives.

For these and all your gifts **we praise and thank you.**

*At the altar:*

God of our past, present and future at this table you have welcomed us into fellowship with you. Here you have strengthened us for our mission and for our daily lives and have sent us out to share Christ's love to the world. So now we praise and thank you for the grace and favour you have shown to us at this table as we look forward to sharing with you also in the heavenly banquet.

For these and all your gifts **we praise and thank you.**

For all these things and for so many more we now give to you God our thanks and praise.

As we seek your presence for our lives we affirm that faith this day in the words that have been taught us:

**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.**

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you, do not let your hearts be troubled and do not let them be afraid!"

The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

### **Offertory Hymn**

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;  
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

*Refrain:*

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.  
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for her Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting: *[Refrain]*

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life!  
Life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife.  
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love.  
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above: *[Refrain]*

*Edmond Louis Budry (1854-1932).*

### **Preparation of the Table**

*The table is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

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.**

Pray, my brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

### **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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and *saying*:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord.  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
+Blessed is He who comes in the name of the 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary 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.**

*Silence is kept.*

### **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 the Bread**

*The President breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.  
**God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

## **The Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

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

## **Giving of Communion**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.  
**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*The President and people receive communion.*

## **Communion Anthems**

*Anthems will be played during the receiving of communion.*



## **Post Communion Hymn**

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 one with 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.

*Patrick Appleford (b. 1925).*

## **Anima Christi & Post Communion Prayer**

Soul of Christ, sanctify me,  
Body of Christ, save me,  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me,  
water from the side of Christ, wash me  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesus, hear me.

Within your wounds hide me.  
Let me not be separated from you,  
from the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me  
and bid me come to you,  
that with your saints I may praise you  
for ever and 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 Dismissal**

### **Commission**

As God's church in this benefice I call upon you to renew your  
commitment to live out what you proclaim:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit will you walk into God's future,  
trusting him to be your guide?  
**By the Spirit's power we will.**

Will you share your riches in common  
and minister to each other in need?

**By the Spirit's power we will.**

Will you pray for each other  
until your hearts beat with longing for God?

**By the Spirit's power we will.**

Will you carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

**By the Spirit's power we will.**

### **The Blessing**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**Who has made heaven and earth.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord.

**Now and for ever.**

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary,  
fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will.  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **Recessional 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.

*Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926).*

## **The Dismissal**

The Mass has ended, go in the light and peace of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**



*Thank you for attending today. Please hold in your prayers the future ministry of God's church here in Castleford. In addition, if you are able, please stay for refreshments after the service for a further chance to share your memories of the past and your hopes for the future.*

*May God bless you, and those you love and pray for, as you journey on.*