Welcome to

Holy Nativity

Mixenden and Illingworth



The Eucharist on Maundy Thursday

Welcome to Holy Nativity Church in the Parish of Mixenden and Illingworth!

Everyone is welcome here.

The Eucharist stands at the heart of the life of the Church as we come together as a community to worship God. At the Eucharist we remember the Jewish Passover meal that Jesus shared with His followers before he was betrayed. Maundy Thursday commemorates the institution of this sacred meal. During this service people will be invited to have their feet washed by the priest as we remember that Jesus washed His disciples feet.

The Eucharist is a 'sacrament': it is a visible sign of God's love.

The words for the minister are in normal type and the congregation responds with the words in **bold type**.

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The Gathering

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

All Amen.

The Greeting

The president greets the people

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All And also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said

Hymn - Oh, to see the Dawn

Oh, to see the dawn, of the darkest day, Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then Nailed to a cross of wood.

This, the power of the cross, Son of God, slain for us; What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross!

Oh, to see the pain, written on Your face, Bearing the awesome weight of sin. Every bitter thought, every evil deed Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

This, the power of the cross, Son of God, slain for us; What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross!

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath Quakes as its Maker bows His head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life, "Finished!" the victory cry.

This, the power of the cross, Son of God, slain for us; What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross!

Oh, to see my name, written in the wounds, For through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, Won through Your selfless love.

This, the power of the cross, Son of God, slain for us; What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross!

Confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ says:
'If you love me, keep my commandments.'
'Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.'
Let us confess to almighty God our sins
against his love,
and ask him to cleanse us.



Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion blot out our offences. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Against you only have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Purge us from our sin and we shall be clean; wash us and we shall be whiter than snow. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

May the Father forgive you by the death of his Son and strengthen you to live in the power of the Spirit all your days.

All Amen.



The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

Let us pray that we may love one another as Christ has loved us.

Silence is kept

All God our Father,
you have invited us to share in the supper
which your Son gave to his Church
to proclaim his death until he comes:
may he nourish us by his presence,
and unite us in his love;
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

Reading

At the end of the reading

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.



Gospel Reading

Please remain standing

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *n*.

All Glory to you O Lord

At the end of the reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you O Christ

The Washing of Feet

The president washes the feet of the congregation.

A hymn or anthem may be sung



The washing of feet is concluded with this prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Intercessions

These or another form of intercessions may be used.

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the Saviour of the world.

Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service. Lord, hear us

All and humble us.

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church. Lord, hear us

All and unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message. We pray for the mission of your Church. Lord, hear us

All and renew our zeal.

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved. Lord, hear us

All and fill us with your love.

On this night, he reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord, hear us

All and give us your peace.

On this night, he accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom. We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.

Lord, hear us

All and welcome all your children into paradise.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand.

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

We exchange a sign of God's peace.

Preparation of the Table

These prayers may be used

At the eucharist we are with our crucified and risen Lord. We know that it was not only our ancestors, but we who were redeemed and brought forth from bondage to freedom, from mourning to feasting.

We know that as he was with them in the upper room, so our Lord is here with us now.

All Until the kingdom of God comes let us celebrate this feast.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you bring forth bread from the earth.

All Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you create the fruit of the vine.

All Blessed be God forever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Eucharistic prayer continues until

...we too join with angels and archangels as they proclaim your glory without end:

All 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.

The president recalls the last supper

Christ is the bread of life:

All When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

The Eucharistic prayer continues until

...all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.



The Lord's Prayer

Jesus taught us to call God our Father, So in faith and trust we pray

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread And drink this cup,

All We proclaim the Lord's death Until he comes.

These prayers may be used

All Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Words of invitation may be used followed by:

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

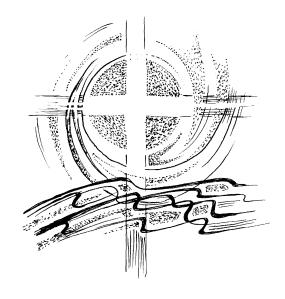
All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, But only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Prayer after Communion

The post communion prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your
passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves

that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruit of your redemption, for you are alive and reign, now and for ever.



The Dismissal

Hymn - When I Survey

When I survey the wonderous cross, On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down: Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of Nature mine, That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all!

The Sending Out

The president may use this or another blessing

When the disciples had sung a hymn they went out to the Mount of Olives. Jesus prayed to the Father, 'If it is possible, take this cup of suffering from me.'

He said to his disciples, 'How is it that you were not able to keep watch with me for one hour? The hour has come for the Son of Man to be handed over to the power of sinners.'

Christ was obedient unto death. Go in his peace.

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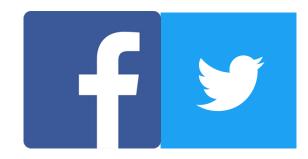


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