



The Eucharist



In

Advent



Putney Team Ministry
St Mary's with All Saints'

Welcome to this Church, grace and peace be with you.

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The Eucharist

Our service includes a celebration of the Eucharist where we are invited to join in the shared meal, offering our lives to God, receiving forgiveness which heals the past and grace which gives us hope for the future.

We have processions because we believe we are God's pilgrim people; some wear robes because they have been set aside for particular roles in the service. We read the Bible because, in reading it together, we encounter our living God. We sing to offer praise and worship; we pray to be open to the relationship of love God invites us to be within. We have developed conventions for when we sit or stand and these are indicated in the order of service as an invitation to all. If these do not reflect your custom or preference, do follow your own practice and know that you remain within the heart of our worship.

Language in Worship

Anglicanism is founded on scripture, tradition and reason and hence we read ancient scripture, sing traditional hymns and share in familiar prayers. God is beyond gender or any other differences which make up the beauty and diversity of our human family. So, while honouring the poetry of beloved texts and rejoicing in our historic understandings of God known as Father, Son and Holy Spirit we recognise that God is both beyond gender and embracing all gender. In God's creation, all men and women reflect God's image and so we seek to reflect that in our language about humankind.

Introduction to the Advent Season

Advent is a season of expectation and preparation, as the Church prepares to celebrate the coming (*adventus*) of Christ in his incarnation, and also looks ahead to his final advent as judge at the end of time. The readings and liturgies not only direct us towards Christ's birth, they also challenge the modern reluctance to confront the theme of divine judgement:

*Every eye shall now behold him
robed in dreadful majesty.*

Charles Wesley

Over the four Sundays, Advent includes traditional themes – Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell or Patriarchs, Prophets, John the Baptist, and Mary. The characteristic note of Advent is expectation, rather than penitence, although the character of the season is easily coloured by an analogy with Lent.

The anticipation of Christmas under commercial pressure has also made it harder to sustain the appropriate sense of alert watchfulness, but the fundamental Advent prayer remains:

'Maranatha' – 'Our Lord, come' I Corinthians 16.22

Church decorations are simple and spare, and purple is the traditional liturgical colour. In the northern hemisphere, the Advent season falls at the darkest time of the year, and the natural symbols of darkness and light are powerfully at work throughout Advent and Christmas. The lighting of candles on an Advent wreath was imported into Britain from northern Europe in the nineteenth century, and is now a common practice. The Moravian custom of the Christingle has similarly enjoyed great success in Britain since the latter part of the twentieth century, with the encouragement of the Children's Society; Christingle services may take place before or after Christmas. The Third Sunday of Advent was observed in medieval times as a splash of rose coloured vestments in the restrained atmosphere of Advent (*Gaudete* meaning "rejoice" or 'Rose Sunday'), and the last days of Advent were marked by the sequence of Great 'O' Antiphons, which continue to inspire modern Advent hymns and meditations.

Opening Worship

The Welcome.

The congregation is invited to STAND for a hymn, processional music, or choir introit.

*Please join in with the parts in **bold**. Music for the service can be found on page 18.*

The Advent Wreath

A candle is lit marking each Sunday in Advent, with the rose candle being lit on Advent 3, and the white candle on Christmas Day.

The President says.

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

All **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

All

Prayer of Preparation

All **Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

The Deacon invites the congregation to make their confession using this or another suitable invitation.

When the Lord comes,
he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.
Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

A short silence is kept.

The Deacon leads the Kyrie confession,

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations
into the peace of your kingdom:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament
to strengthen us in holiness:
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

You will come in glory
with salvation for your people:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The President then uses these words of absolution.

The almighty and merciful Lord
grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Collect

The Collect of the day is prayed, and all respond.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading

Please SIT.

At the end of each the reader says.

Hear the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please STAND for the gradual hymn.

Gospel Reading

Please remain STANDING as the acclamation is said or sung.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

All Alleluia.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Please SIT.

A short time of stillness and reflection follows the sermon.

Prayers of Intercession

These responses may be used.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

**All 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.**

An affirmation of our faith may be used in place of the Creed.

All Because you made the world, and intended it to be a good place,
and called its people your children;
because, when things seemed at their worst, you came in Christ,
to bring out the best in us; so, gracious God, we gladly say:
**Goodness is stronger than evil;
Love is stronger than hate;
Light is stronger than darkness;
Life is stronger than death.**
Because confusion can reign inside us,
despite our faith;
because anger, tension, bitterness and envy distort our vision;
because our minds sometimes worry small things
out of all proportion; because we do not always get it right,
we want to believe: **Goodness is stronger than evil;
Love is stronger than hate;
Light is stronger than darkness;
Life is stronger than death.**
Victory is ours through Him who loves us.
Amen.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The President may say these words or use an alternative introduction.

God will speak peace to his people,
to those who turn to him in their hearts.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The Deacon says.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

An offertory hymn is sung. A collection taken and gifts of wine and bread brought to the altar.

Preparation of the Table

The President may say.

As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth
into your kingdom.

All **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

One of the following is used. Please STAND.

Prayer A on page 10

Prayer D on page 13

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**
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.**

*From the First Sunday of Advent until
16th December*

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh, he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world to open for us the way of salvation. Confident that your promise will be fulfilled, we now watch for the day when Christ our Lord will come again in glory. And so we join our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory for ever praising you and saying:

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.**

*From 17th December until Christmas
Eve*

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. He is the one foretold by all the prophets, whom the Virgin Mother bore with love beyond all telling. John the Baptist was his herald and made him known when at last he came. In his love Christ fills us with joy as we prepare to celebrate his birth, so that when he comes again he may find us watching in prayer, our hearts filled with wonder and praise. And so, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your glory, and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;
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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering
of himself made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial
of Christ your Son our Lord.

The Deacon says,

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Please SIT.

The service continues with the Lord's Prayer on page 15.

Eucharistic Prayer D

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

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.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,
your face is turned towards your world.

In love you gave us Jesus your Son
to rescue us from sin and death.

Your Word goes out to call us home
to the city where angels sing your praise.

We join with them in heaven's song:

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.**

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven.

To the darkness Jesus came as your light.

With signs of faith and words of hope

he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.

On the night he was betrayed

he came to table with his friends

to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
This is my body, given for you all.
Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;
he took the cup, gave it and said:
This is my blood, shed for you all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in remembrance of me.
This is our story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate the cross
on which he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again
and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.
This is our story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.
May we and all who share this food
offer ourselves to live for you
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven
where all creation worships you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Please SIT.

The service continues with the Lord's Prayer on page 15.

The Lord's Prayer

Please SIT. The service continues following the Eucharistic Prayer.

As our Saviour taught us, so 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

The President breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

**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

The President offers an invitation to communion.

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.**

The president and people receive communion. All are welcome to receive communion or a blessing as is your practice.

A choir anthem may be sung.

Following the communion, a period of stillness and reflection is kept.

Prayer after Communion

The President may say.

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The President says.

We join together in a Prayer of Thanksgiving for our shared experience of this Eucharistic Feast, whether at home or in church.

**All Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Notices are given and banns of marriage read.

The Dismissal

Please *STAND*.

The Lord be with you.

All **and also with you.**

The President may use this or another suitable blessing.

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,
scatter the darkness from before your path,
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;
and the blessing of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The final hymn is sung.

The Deacon says.

Our Lord says, 'I am coming soon.'

All **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

May the Lord, when he comes,
find us watching and waiting.

All **Amen.**

The ministers depart as a voluntary is played.

Richard Quesnel (2018)

[Choir] [All] [Choir]
Lord, have mer - cy LORD, HAVE MER - CY. Christ, have mer - cy
7 [All] [Choir] [All]
CHRIST, HAVE MER - CY. Lord, have mer - cy. LORD, HAVE MER - CY.

Sanctus

Richard Quesnel (2021)

[1. Choir 2. All] [Choir]
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. Hea - ven and earth are
6 [All] [Choir]
full of your glo - ry. Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
10 [All] [Choir]
est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
15 [All]
Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please speak to a sidesperson or one of the clergy to find out more about Advent Courses and Christmas Services, lots of information can be found on the website.

Advent Course

This year's Advent course will look at a short book by Paula Gooder, *The Meaning is in the Waiting: The Spirit of Advent*, which considers 'forerunners' of Christ: Abraham and Sarah, the prophets, John the Baptist, and Mary. We will spend time in prayer, Bible study and discussion. You are very welcome to buy the book and read it in advance but it is not a necessity to do this.

It will run both on Thursday evenings and on Wednesday afternoons as follows: Evening version (with John and Jono): 7.30pm at the Rectory, 17 Montserrat Road on 25th November, 2nd December, 9th December & 16th December

Afternoon version (with Daniel and Jane): 2pm in St Mary's (the Library) on 1st December, 8th December, 15th December & 22nd December.

Advent & Christmas Services

CTPR Advent Carols	All Saints'	28 th Nov	4pm
<i>(Please note there will not be no Caritas service at St Mary's on 28th Nov)</i>			
Christingle	St Mary's	5 th Dec	10am
<i>Journey to Bethlehem</i>	St Mary's	18 th Dec	12-4pm
Christmas Carol Service	St Mary's	19 th Dec	6pm
Crib Service	St Mary's	Christmas Eve	4pm
Christmas Service	St Mary's	Christmas Eve	8pm
Midnight Mass	St Mary's	Christmas Eve	11:30pm
Christmas Morning	St Mary's	Christmas Day	10am
Parish Eucharist			
St Stephen's Day	St Mary's	Boxing Day	10am (only)



Now is the time to wake out of sleep,
for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.
Romans 13.11

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