

**ALL SAINTS  
WEST DULWICH**

**The Order for the Celebration of  
THE EUCHARIST**



**The Transfiguration of Our Lord**

# STRUCTURE

The people and the priest

- greet each other in the Lord's name
- confess their sins
- are assured of God's forgiveness
- keep silence and pray a Collect
- proclaim and respond to the word of God
- exchange the Peace
- prepare the altar
- pray the Eucharistic Prayer
- break the bread
- receive Holy Communion
- depart with God's blessing

## Prayer of Preparation before the Eucharist

At the Transfiguration, Father,  
you showed Jesus in glory,  
a glimpse of what his disciples  
would see in his risen life.

Bless us in our humanity,  
with an awareness of your presence,  
leading us to share in your divine life  
even in our daily struggle.

Help us to deepen  
our knowledge of the Law and the Prophets,  
channels of your grace throughout history,  
and signposts for our journey. Amen.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*A minister may call the people to worship with an appropriate sentence of scripture, and a time of prayer and silence*

*The prayer from page 2 may be used*

*Please stand*

*A processional hymn may be sung*

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

## The Greeting

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

## Prayers of Penitence

When Christ appears we shall be like him,  
because we shall see him as he is.

As he is pure,  
all who have grasped this hope  
make themselves pure.

So let us confess our sins that mar his image in us.

Your unfailing kindness, O Lord, is in the heavens,  
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds:

**Kyrie eleison . . .**

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,  
and your justice as the great deep:

**Christe eleison . . .**

For with you is the well of life  
and in your light shall we see light:

**Kyrie eleison . . .**

## **Absolution**

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 in Excelsis**

**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 sin 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.

Father in heaven,  
whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured  
before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,  
and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem:  
give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross  
that in the world to come we may see him as he is;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **First Reading**

A reading from the book of the prophet Daniel

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Daniel 7: 9-10,13-14

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Acclamation**

*The Acclamation may follow the first reading*

By the appearance on earth of our Saviour Jesus Christ

**God has broken the power of death  
and brought life and immortality to light.**

Arise, shine, for your light has come  
**and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**

For though darkness shall cover the earth  
**and thick darkness the nations,**

the Lord will rise upon you  
**and his glory will be seen upon you.**

By the appearance on earth of our Saviour Jesus Christ

**God has broken the power of death  
and brought life and immortality to light.**

## Second Reading

A reading from the Second Letter of Peter

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

2 Peter 1:16-19

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

*A gradual hymn may be sung*

## The Holy Gospel

Alleluia...

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Blessèd are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5: 3

**Alleluia...**

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah' – not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Luke 9: 28-36

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

*Please sit*

**Homily**

*After a period of silent reflection, please stand*

**The Creed**

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**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 human.**

**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.**

*Please kneel or sit*

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*These or other prayers are offered*

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

Lord of glory, it is good that we are here.  
In peace we make our prayer to you.  
In trust we confirm our faith in you.  
Help us to set our faces steadfastly to where you would have us go.  
Lord, look with favour.

**Lord, transfigure and heal.**

Lord of glory, look with favour on your Church,  
proclaiming your beloved Son to the world  
and listening to the promptings of his Spirit ...

May she be renewed in holiness that she may reflect your glory.  
Lord, look with favour.

**Lord, transfigure and heal.**

Lord of glory, look with favour on the nations of the world,  
scarred by hatred, strife and war ...

May they be healed by the touch of your hand.

Lord, look with favour.

**Lord, transfigure and heal.**

Lord of glory, look with favour on those in need and distress,  
suffering as your Son has suffered  
and waiting for the salvation you promise ...

May the day break

and Christ the Morning Star bring them the light of his presence.

Lord, look with favour.

**Lord, transfigure and heal.**

Lord of glory, it is good if we suffer with you  
so that we shall be glorified with you.

According to your promise bring all Christ's brothers and sisters ...

to see him with their own eyes in majesty

and to be changed into his likeness from glory to glory.

To him be praise, dominion and worship

now and for all eternity. **Amen.**

*Please stand*

## **The Peace**

Christ will transfigure our human body  
and give it a form like that of his own glorious body.

We are the body of Christ.

We share his peace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*An offertory hymn may be sung*

**Preparation of the Altar**

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

Holy God,  
receive all we bring before you this day,  
and bring us also to that radiant glory  
which we see in the transfigured face.

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 holy church.**

## The 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.**

It is indeed right and good,  
our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**For on this day he revealed his glory  
before his chosen witnesses  
and filled with divine splendour  
the human flesh in which he is one with us.**

So he prepared his disciples  
to bear the scandal of the cross  
and showed that in the Church, his body,  
the same glory would be fulfilled  
that shone forth from him, its head.  
And so with joyful hearts we echo on earth  
the song of the angels in heaven  
as they praise your glory without end:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**To you be glory and praise for ever.**

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
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.

**To you be glory and praise for ever.**

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died: Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
the Mother of God, and all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please kneel or sit*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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**

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## 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.**

*An anthem and a communion hymn may be sung*

*Baptised and communicant members of other Christian churches  
are welcome to receive Holy Communion;  
and all are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing*

## Prayer after Communion

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power to change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

## Brief notices

*Please stand*

### **Blessing and Dismissal**

Christ Jesus,  
the splendour of the Father and the image of his being,  
draw you to himself  
that you may live in his light and share his glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The ministers and people depart*

*A recessional hymn may be sung*

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