



Holy Communion in Ordinary Time

We have now entered the season in the church year that is known as Ordinary Time. It is exactly what it sounds like; ordinary. No major feasts or festivals, a time when get on with daily life as individuals and as the Church.

The liturgical colour for Ordinary Time is green. It is the colour of growth, look around you, there is so much green at this time of year, as everything grows and multiplies. In this season of the Church year we are encouraged to grow and mature in daily expression of our faith outside the great seasons of celebration of Christmas and Easter and the great periods of penance of Advent and Lent. Ordinary Time is a time to deepen our prayer life, read the Bible, meet with Jesus in the bread and wine and allow God to work in our lives.

Welcome to St Luke's

This is God's house and all are welcome here so please make yourself at home. Everything you need for the service will be in this booklet and the hymn book.

Please join in with any words in **bold** print.

We Gather Together

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Prayer of Preparation

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.

The Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,

and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen, Lord have mercy

The Collect

Let us pray

The Collect for the Queen may also be said here

Bible Reading

Please sit for our Bible reading

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading

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

Glory to you, O Lord

At the end of the reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Reflection

The Creed

Let us declare our faith together.

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**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.**

Prayers

Invitation to Confession

You who truly and earnestly repent of your sins,
and are in love and charity with your neighbours,
and intend to lead a new life,
following the commandments of God,
and walking from this day forward in his holy ways:
draw near with faith,
and take this holy sacrament to your comfort;
and make your humble confession to almighty God.

We pray together

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love,
and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed,**

**and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen.**

Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who in his great mercy
has promised forgiveness of sins
to all those who with heartfelt repentance and true faith turn to him: have mercy on you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and bring you to everlasting life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Comfortable Words

Hear the words of comfort our Saviour Christ says to all who turn to him:
Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
Matthew 11.28

God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life
John 3:16

Hear what Saint Paul says:
This saying is true, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save
sinners. *1 Timothy 1.15*

Hear what Saint John says:
If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the
propitiation for our sins.
1 John 2:1-2

The table is prepared.

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,
it is our duty and our joy,

at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God.

And now we give you thanks
because in his victory over the grave a new age has dawned,
the long reign of sin is ended,
a broken world is being renewed
and humanity is once again made whole.

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.**

The Prayer of Consecration

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world;
he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,
and grant that we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine,
according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion,
may be partakers of his most blessed body and 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 when he had given 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.

Amen.

Communion is a little different at the moment. We are returning to receiving the bread and the wine but not sharing one cup. All elements have been handled according to the highest hygiene standards and have been covered on the altar until this point.

You will be invited to come forward to receive Communion a few at a time, queuing in the central aisle (please wait till you're asked to come forward and keep 2m apart) There will be two stations at the front, please go to whichever one is free. The priest will intinct (dip) the wafer into the wine for you and place it in your hands, please then take a step back to consume the wafer (as you'll need to lower your face covering) or feel free to take it back to your seat and consume there. If you would like to receive just the bread please let the Priest know. If you struggle to get to the front we will bring Communion to you at the end of distribution.

We understand if you are still not comfortable receiving the elements and are happy to pray a silent blessing over you, either at the Communion station or in your seat , again we will come to you once Communion has been distributed.

If you are joining us on the live stream (or if you are in church and not receiving the elements) you may want to pray the prayer of Spiritual Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things and I desire Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though Thou wert already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee. Amen.

(St Alphonsus)

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.**

Prayer after Communion

Gloria

**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.**

Notices

Blessing

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
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 peace, to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ, Amen

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