

ALL SOULS
or the Commemoration of the
Faithful Departed

1st Hymn: **HON77 Blest are the pure in heart**

Order of Service: **CWB p1**

Confession, to be used with the Geordie Mass

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy on us all,
Lord have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us all,
Lord have mercy on us.**

Your bring pardon and peace to the sinner:
Christ have mercy.

**Christ have mercy on us all,
Christ have mercy on us...**

You bring light to those in darkness:
Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy on us all,
Lord have mercy on us...**

Collect: **Eternal God, you are the light of all the souls that know you; grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, on the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ we may, with them, enjoy the reward of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

1st reading: (Wisdom 3: 1-6, 9) The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a great affliction, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his elect, and he watches over his holy ones.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: **HON654 The Lord's my shepherd**

or

Psalm: [Ps 23]

The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

**He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways
for his names' sake.

(over)

**Though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me,
your rod and your staff they comfort me.**

You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me;
**you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.**

Surely your goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.
**Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

After a silence we stand for the Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia. It is my Father's will, says
the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all
that he has given to me, and that I should
raise it up on the last day. Alleluia**

Hear the Good News of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel: (St John 6: 35-40) Jesus said, 'I am the
bread of life'. Whoever comes to me shall never be
hungry, and whoever believes in me shall never be
thirsty. But you, as I said, do not believe although
you have seen. All that the Father gives me will
come to me, and those who come to me I will
never turn away. I have come down from heaven,
not to do my own will, but the will of the one who
sent me. It is his will that I should lose not even one
of those he has given me, but raise them up on the
last day. For it is my Father's will that everyone who
looks upon the Son and puts their faith in him shall
possess eternal life; and I will raise them up on the
last day.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayers of Intercession:

Jesus, bread of heaven, you satisfy the hungry with
good things: grant us a share with all the faithful
departed in the banquet of your kingdom.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, light of the world, you gave the man born
blind the gift of sight: give us the eyes of faith and
bring us from darkness to your eternal light and
glory.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, Son of the living God, you summoned your
friend Lazarus from death to life: raise us at the last
to full and eternal life with you.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, crucified Saviour, in your dying you entrusted
Mary your mother and John your beloved disciple to
one another's care: sustain and comfort all who
mourn.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, our way and truth and life, you drew your
disciple Thomas from doubt to faith: reveal the
resurrection faith to the dying and the lost.

Hear us, risen Lord,
our resurrection and our life.

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the
whole Church, living and departed in the Lord
Jesus, to a joyful resurrection, and the fulfilment of
his eternal Kingdom. **Amen.**

At the Peace:

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave you, my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I give this peace to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them
be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: **HON324 In our day** Ø
Eucharistic Prayer: **CWB p9** (Music: Geordie Mass)

Preface:

And now we give you thanks because through him
you have given us the hope of a glorious resurrec-
tion; for although death comes to us all, yet we
rejoice in the promise of eternal life.

To your faithful people life is changed not taken
away, and when our mortal flesh is laid aside, an
everlasting dwelling place is made ready for us in
heaven.

Communion: **HON356 Jesu, Son of Mary** (1-3,7,8)

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Blessed be our God for evermore, now and always,
from everlasting to everlasting.

Amen.

This is the will of him who sent me: that I should
lose nothing of all he has sent me,

and I will raise them up on the last day.

O Lord, may the souls of those who have fallen
asleep in Christ, rest in peace:

and rise in glory.

Lord God, creator of all, you have made us
creatures of this earth but have also promised us a
share in life eternal. According to your promises,
may all who have died in the peace of Christ share
with your saints in the joy of heaven where there is
neither sorrow nor pain but life everlasting.

Hear us, O loving Father, as we remember in love
all those we have placed in your hands...

Here is read a list of the departed.

*Afterwards the organ plays, the Choir light their candles
and place them before the altar, standing afterwards in
the sanctuary.*

*You are now invited to light a candle for a loved one. If
you prefer not to do this, you may take your candle
home with you.*

*Choir: Now that evening falls
gently fades the light;
moon replaces sun
and day takes leave of night.*

*Gladly we commit
to God's gracious care:
those we love and strived with,
those ho lived by prayer.*

*Gratitude we raise
For the life that's done
And for what, together,
Waits to be begun.*

*Glory be to God,
Glory to the God's Son,
Glory to the Spirit
Ever Three in one.*

Silence is kept.

Post Communion Prayer:

*God of love, may the death and resurrection of
Christ which we have celebrated in this eucharist
bring us, with all the faithful departed, to the peace
of your eternal home. Through Jesus Christ our
Lord.*

Blessing:

*May God give you his comfort and his peace, his
light and his joy, in this world and in the next: and
the blessing of God almighty...*

*We kneel or sit. The Choir sings the Russian Kontakion
of the Dead:*

*Choir: Give rest O Christ, to thy servants with thy saints:
where sorrow and pain are no more; neither
sighing but life everlasting.
Thou only art immortal, the creator and maker
of man: and we are mortal formed of the earth,
and unto earth shall we return:
for so thou didst ordain, when thou created me
saying: Dust thou art and unto dust shall thou
return. All we go down to the dust; and weeping
o'er the grave, we make our song: alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!*

We leave during the quiet organ music.

Some prayers you may wish to use at home

When the burden of grief feels too great to bear, even now, perhaps many years on; when the loneliness feels too painful to live with; when the hurt wells up unexpectedly from within; when we feel unloved and uncared for; when memories bring only tears; when anger and guilt rage inside us; when these things happen, Lord, be our Rock, our Refuge, our Comforter. Amen.

Eternal God, whose love is stronger than death, we rejoice that the dead as well as the living are held in your love and care. As we remember with thanksgiving those we have loved who have gone before us, we pray that we may look forward with confidence to the day when we shall be reunited with them in the joy and peace of your everlasting kingdom. Amen.