

THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS,  
CARSHALTON

LOW MASS  
DURING ADVENT



# THE GATHERING

*Please STAND. The President greets the people:*

My brothers and sisters,  
we gather for worship in the name of  
✠ the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

*The Deacon introduces the Prayers of Penitence:*

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

*or*

A voice cries out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord'. So let us listen, and turn to the Lord in penitence and faith.

*or*

'The axe is laid at the root of the trees; every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down.' But confident of God's mercy we confess our sins.

## **SILENT PRAYER**

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

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

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

*or*

Turn to us again, O God our saviour,  
and let your anger cease from us:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Show us your compassion, O Lord,  
and grant us your salvation:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Your salvation is near for those that fear you,  
that glory may dwell in our land:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

***The President pronounces God's absolution:***

May the God of all healing and forgiveness  
draw you to himself,  
and cleanse you ✠ from all your sins  
that you may behold the glory of his Son,  
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

In silence, we pray.

***Silent prayer; then the President prays the Collect.***

***At the end, all reply:***

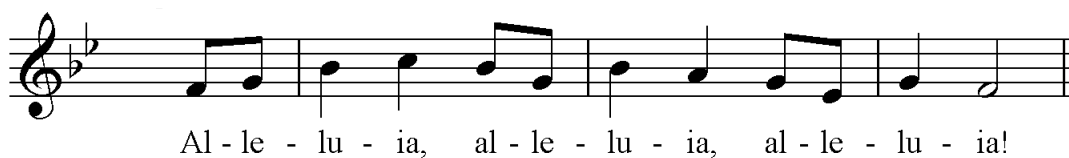
**Amen**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Please SIT for a reading from the Old or New Testament. At the end:**

For the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**A Responsorial Psalm follows. Then, please STAND for the Gospel, which is heralded by an acclamation (please sing the refrain).**



**The cantor sings the verse:**

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

**Repeat the refrain with the cantor:**



The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint *N*

**✠ Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**At the end**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

***The President or other minister leads the Prayers of intercession, for which please sit or kneel:***

Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand with confidence before our Maker and Redeemer.

***Between each bidding:***

Let us pray to the Lord:  
**Lord, have mercy.**

***At the end***

We gather up these and all of our prayers  
in the company of Blessed Mary and all the saints;  
Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of thy Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

*Please **STAND** as the President introduces the Peace.*

In the tender mercy of our God,  
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,  
to give light to those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.  
The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

*We offer each other a sign of Christ's peace.*

*The altar is prepared and then the President takes the bread and the cup, saying either of the following:*

Look upon us in mercy, not in judgment;  
draw us from hatred to love;  
make the frailty of our praise a dwelling place for your glory.  
**Amen.**

*or*

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.  
**Amen**

The Lord be with you  
**and with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.  
**It is meet and right so to do.**

*The President continues the prayer, thanking God for all his saving works, and then invites the people to join their praises with the whole company of heaven:*

(...forever praising you, and saying:)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.  
✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The President continues the prayer, repeating the Lord's own words over the bread and wine and asks the Father to send the Spirit on them to sanctify them.*

*Then:*

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

*The President continues, joining our offering with Christ's sacrifice of himself. At the end:*

.....by whom, and with whom,  
and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## ***Silent Prayer***

Awaiting his coming in glory,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## ***The president breaks the consecrated bread for all to share:***

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

## ***We say Agnus Dei:***

**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.**



***The president invites all to receive Holy Communion:***

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

**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

***Baptised persons who are communicant members of Churches which subscribe to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, and who are in good standing in their own church, may receive Holy Communion at this service.***

***All taking part online are encouraged to make their Spiritual Communion, using the following prayer:***

Lord Jesus Christ, grant, that as the hem of your garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch your body, so the soul of your servant may be healed by faith in you, whom I cannot now sacramentally receive; through your tender mercy, who lives and reigns with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit ever one God, world without end. Amen.

## THE DISMISSAL

*We keep a few moments of quiet prayer; the President then prays the Post Communion prayer, then please STAND:*

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

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 almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you  
this Advent and always.  
**Amen.**

*The Deacon dismisses the Eucharistic assembly:*

As we await our coming Saviour, go in the peace of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God**