

**PARISH OF HUDDERSFIELD
ALL SAINTS AND ST THOMAS**

ST THOMAS'S CHURCH

Sunday 25 July 2010

***THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME***

THE MASS



The gathering

**For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies.
*Lord of all to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.***

**For the beauty of each hour,
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of night.**

**For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and brain's delight
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight.**

**For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild.**

**For each perfect gift of thine,
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven.**

**For thy Church that evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
this pure sacrifice of love.**

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

The grace and peace of God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the times when we have failed
to respect to the holiness of your name.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

For the times when we have not acknowledged
that our daily bread comes from you.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

For the times when we have failed
to forgive our sisters and brothers.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Gloria in excelsis Deo

**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 opening prayer

The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the book of Genesis
(18. 18. 20-32)

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The psalm:

***Yahweh, I know you are near,
standing always at my side,
you guard me from the foe
and you lead me in ways everlasting.***

**Lord, you have searched my heart
and you know when I sit and when I stand.
Your hand is upon me, protecting me from death,
keeping me from harm.**

**Where can I run from your love?
If I climb to the heavens you are there.
If I fly to the sunrise or sail beyond the sea
still I'd find you there.**

**You know my heart and its ways,
you who formed me before I was born,
in secret of darkness, before I saw the sun,
in my mother's womb.**

**Marvelous to me are your works;
how profound are your thoughts my Lord!
Even if I could count them, they number as the stars,
you would still be there.**

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A reading from St Paul to the Colossians
(2. 12-14)

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Thanks be to God.

The gospel acclamation

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.
*Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, allelu, alleluia.***

**Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find.
Knock and it shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
(11. 1-13)
***Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, allelu, alleluia.***

This is the gospel of the Lord.
***Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, allelu, alleluia.***

The homily

The Affirmation of Faith

**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 men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from 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 in to 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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He 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.**

The Prayer of the Faithful

Father, hear our prayer;
for we are your children.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

**Blest are you, Lord, God of all creation,
thanks to your goodness this bread we offer:
fruit of the earth, work of our hands,
it will become the bread of life.**

Blessed be God! Blessed be God!

Blessed be God forever! Amen.

Blessed be God! Blessed be God!

Blessed be God forever! Amen.

**Blest are you, Lord, God of all creation,
thanks to your goodness this wine we offer:
fruit of the earth, work of our hands,
it will become the cup of life.**

Pray brethren, that my sacrifice
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 church.**

The prayer over the gifts

The eucharistic prayer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The priest continues the preface.

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

The priest continues the eucharistic prayer.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, alleluia!

Christ is risen, alleluia!

Christ will come again in glory!

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours,
almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence to the Father
in the words our Saviour gave 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.**

Deliver us, Lord from every evil,
and grant us peace in our day.
In your mercy keep us free from sin
and protect us from all anxiety
as we wait in joyful hope
for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
**For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are yours, now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
I leave you peace, my peace I give you.
Look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church,
and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom
where you live for ever and ever.
Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,
grant us your peace.**

This is the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are they who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*Those who receive Holy Communion receive communion now.
Others may wish to come forward for a blessing.*

**As the deer longs for the water,
so my soul longs after you,
you alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you.
*You alone are my strength, my shield,
to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship you.***

**I want you more than gold or silver,
only you can satisfy.
you alone are the real joy giver
and the apple of my eye.**

**You're my friend and you are my brother,
even though you are a king.
I love you more than any other,
so much more than anything.**

**O bread of heaven, beneath this veil
thou dost my very God conceal;
my Jesus, dearest treasure, hail;
I love thee and adoring kneel;
each loving soul by thee is fed
with thine own self in form of bread.**

**O food of life, thou who dost give
the pledge of immortality;
I live; no, 'tis not I that live;
God gives me life, God lives in me;
he feeds my soul, he guides my ways,
and every grief with joy repays.**

**O bond of love, that dost unite
the servant with his living Lord;
could I dare live, and not requite
such love – then death were meet reward:
I cannot live unless to prove
some love for such unmeasured love.**

**Beloved Lord in heaven above,
there, Jesus, thou awaitest me;
to gaze on thee with changeless love,
yes, thus I hope, thus shall it be:
for how can he deny me heaven
who here on earth himself hath given?**

Silent prayer

The prayer after communion

Sit for the notices

The dismissal

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

At St Thomas's, no collections are taken in church during services. If you missed the basket on your way in, you will find another basket on the way out! If you are a UK taxpayer, please take a few moments to complete the white gift aid envelope. This increases the value of your offering by 25% as the church is able to reclaim the income tax you have paid on your donation.

Joan Wearne RIP

Joan died peacefully in hospital in Halifax during the night on Thursday 15 July. Please pray for the repose of her soul and for her family and friends. Joan's body will be received into church at 18.00 on Monday 26 July and the Funeral Mass will be at 12.15 on Tuesday 27 July.

PCC meeting

At the meeting on Monday last week, the PCC discussed in more detail the work required on the parish hall and the work required to renew and make more efficient the heating system in the church. Discussions also took place about how the work would be funded.

St Thomas's Day Appeal

The figure now stands at about £3,300 including the tax which we can reclaim. This is an excellent result given that we already have so many people who give so regularly week by week or month by month. Thank you all for your generosity.

The Assumption of Our Lady

This feast day falls on a Sunday this year. After the Mass there will be a picnic at the Vicarage. Bring your friends!

Save the Congo Initiative

The Bishop of Wakefield has asked all parishes in the diocese to respond to the call for a month of prayer for the Democratic Republic of the Congo from 15 July to 15 August. During this time a special candle will burn and votive candles may be placed around it. Each week there will be a Mass for Peace and Justice on one day. This week the Mass will be on Friday at 18.30, next week on Saturday at 10.00 and finally on Thursday 13 August at 18.30

Holidays

Please let the churchwardens or Fr Leslie know if you are going to be away over the next few weeks so that no one worries unnecessarily if you are not at church as usual.

Do make a special effort to come to Mass during the week when some of our regulars may be away on holiday. We are privileged to have a Mass every day at St Thomas's so please make sure that every day there is a good congregation.

A blast from the past!

A quotation from a paper delivered by the Bishop of Liverpool to the Church Congress about 1890:-

To reach the masses we must arouse our lay communicants all over the land, and awaken them to a sense of their responsibilities and duties. We need a revival among our communicants quite as much as among our non-worshipping classes. We have been too long blind and asleep on this matter.

I assert, then, without hesitation, that at present the laity of our church are not where they ought to be in the direct work of Christ, and the furtherance of Christianity in this land. There is a sad gulf between the church of the first century and that of the English church in the nineteenth century. A mischievous habit of leaving all religion to the parson of the parish has overspread the country and the bulk of lay-churchmen seem to think that they have nothing to do with the church, but to receive the benefits of her means of grace, while they contribute nothing in the way of active personal assertion to promote her efficiency.

The vast majority of churchmen appear to suppose that when they have gone to church on Sunday and received the Lord's Supper, they have done their duty and are not under the slightest obligation to warn, to teach, to rebuke, to edify others, to promote the work of charity, to assist evangelisation, or to raise a finger in checking sin and advancing Christ's cause in the world. Their only idea is to be perpetually receiving, but never doing anything at all.

They have taken their seats in the right train, and are only to sit quietly until the clerical engine draws them to heaven, perhaps half-asleep. If an Ephesian, or Philippian or Thessalonian lay churchman were to rise from the dead and see how little work lay churchmen do for the English church, he would not believe his eyes.

The difference between the primitive type of a lay churchman and the English type is the difference between light and darkness – black and white. The one used to be awake and active, always about his Master's business; the other is too often asleep practically, and torpid and idle, and content to leave the religion of the parish in the hands of the parson.

NOTICES

Sunday 25 July

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Morning Prayer	09.45
MASS	10.30
EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION	19.30

Monday 26 July

Ss Joachim and Anne

Morning Prayer	08.30
<i>KRAFT</i>	<i>10.00 – 14.00</i>
<i>AA</i>	<i>12.00</i>
Reception of the body of Joan Wearne	18.00
Evening Prayer	18.15
MASS	18.30

Tuesday 27 July

Morning Prayer	08.30
FUNERAL MASS	12.15
Joan Wearne RIP	
Evening Prayer	18.15
<i>AA</i>	<i>19.30</i>

Wednesday 28 July

Morning Prayer	08.30
Evening Prayer	18.15
MASS	18.30
<i>Huddersfield Peoples Choir</i>	<i>19.00</i>

Thursday 29 July

S Martha

Morning Prayer	08.30
<i>KRAFT</i>	<i>10.00-14.00</i>
Evening Prayer	18.15
MASS - 1st Anniversary June Uppadine RIP	18.30
<i>Djembeat</i>	<i>19.00</i>

Friday 30 July

Morning Prayer	08.30
<i>AA</i>	<i>12.00</i>
Evening Prayer	18.15
MASS FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE	18.30

Saturday 31 July
S Ignatius of Loyola

Morning Prayer	09.30
MASS	10.00
Evening Prayer	18.15

Sunday 1 August
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Morning Prayer	09.45
MASS	10.30
<i>ETHIOPIAN ORTHODOX LITURGY</i>	14.00
EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION	19.30

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