

**CHARLTON BENEFICE  
ONLINE WORSHIP  
SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
Feat of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**THE GATHERING**

Before the service: Mass for 4 voices by William Byrd

**Miriam welcomes people to worship**

**Introit Hymn** - Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

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

*The president greets the people*

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

**Prayer of Preparation**

*Miriam* **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.**

**Prayers of Penitence**

*Miriam* God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.  
Let us confess our sins in penitence  
and faith, firmly resolved  
to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*We confess our sins 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**

*President* May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**The Gloria** - from Mass of St Thomas, David Thorne

### **The Collect**

*The President introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'. The Collect is said, and all respond **Amen.***

Almighty God,  
who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:  
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood  
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **Old Testament Reading – read by Miriam**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,

so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

*at the end of the reading ...*

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

## **New Testament Reading – read by Joelle**

### **A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians**

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*at the end of the reading ...*

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

## **Gradual Hymn - Praise my soul the King of heaven**

### **Gospel Reading – read by Liz**

*Reader*            Alleluia, alleluia.  
We do not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes  
from the mouth of God.  
**Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

And Mary said,  
'My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,  
for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name.  
His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.  
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,

according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.’

*Reader* This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Sermon – Revd Liz**

*After the sermon there is a period of quiet reflection.*

### **Miriam leads The Affirmation of Faith**

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.  
We believe in one God:  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession – led by Ian**

*President* Let us pray for the Church and for the world,  
and let us be thankful for God’s goodness.

*Please sit.*

*Prayers and thanksgivings are now made.  
After each prayer is said:*

*Prayers are offered for*

- *the Church of Christ*
- *Creation, human society, the Sovereign  
and those in authority*
- *the local community*
- *those who suffer*
- *the communion of saints*

*After each prayer ...*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

(or)  
Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*After the final prayer ...*

*Intercessor* God of mercy,  
**hear our prayer  
and make us one in heart and mind  
to serve you with joy forever.  
Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **The Peace**

‘Where two or three are gathered together  
in my name,’ says the Lord,  
‘there am I in the midst of them.’

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

**Offertory Hymn** - O worship the King, all glorious above

### **Preparation of the Table**

*President* Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven  
and on earth is yours.  
**All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

Wise and gracious God,  
you spread a table before us;  
nourish your people with the word of life and  
the bread of heaven.  
**Amen.**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

*President* 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.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ,  
your living Word,

through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great  
goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit  
he took flesh; as your Son,  
born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us  
on the cross; he put an end to death  
by dying for us; and revealed  
the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will  
and won for you a holy people.

*Short Proper Preface, when appropriate.*

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and *singing*:

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

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood  
of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
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 gave you 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.

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

And so, Father,  
calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once  
for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection  
and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise  
and thanksgiving, we bring before you this  
bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy to  
stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company  
of St Thomas, St Luke and St Richard, and  
all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
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.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*President* 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.**

*President* **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**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

*President* 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** - from Mass of St Cedd by Peter Nardone

### **Invitation to 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.**

### **Prayer before Distribution**

**Most merciful Lord,  
your love compels us to come in.  
Our hands were unclean,  
our hearts were unprepared;  
we were not fit even to eat  
the crumbs from under your table.  
But you, Lord, are the God of our  
salvation, and share your bread with  
sinners. So cleanse and feed us with the  
precious body and blood of your Son,  
that he may live in us and we in him; and  
that we, with the whole company of  
Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom.  
Amen.**

Communion music: The real presence by Margaret Rizza, Tantum Ergo by CM Widor and Ave Verum Corpus by E Elgar

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept. The Post Communion prayer is said.*

Lord of all mercy,  
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice  
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:  
by our communion  
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel  
and preserve us from all sin;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Notices**

### **Final Prayer**

*Miriam* **Father of all, we give you thanks  
and praise, that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son**



and brought us home. Dying and living,  
he declared your love, gave us grace,  
and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body  
live his risen life; we who drink his cup  
bring life to others; we whom the Spirit  
lights give light to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set  
before us, so we and all your children  
shall be free, and the whole earth live to  
praise your name; through Christ our  
Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING AND SENDING OUT

*Please stand.*

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

May the Father from whom every family in  
earth and heaven receives its name  
strengthen you with his Spirit  
in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell  
in your hearts by faith;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
come down upon you  
and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Final Hymn: - Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord

After the service:    Final music: Ombra mai fu by GF Handel (Commonly known as Handel's  
Largo)