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# *Ash Wednesday* 26 FEBRUARY 2020

#### WELCOME GUESTS

Newcomers are encouraged to make themselves known to the clergy and to phone the parish office at 204.452.3609 should you wish to express any needs or concerns. Please complete a visitor leaflet or envelope with your email address if you would like to receive parish newsletters sent to you regularly.

**19:30** – SUNG EUCHARIST AND IMPOSITION OF ASHES Service Music Setting: Communion Service - JOHN MERBECKE (1510–1585)

# GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

**VOLUNTARY** (*Mr. Kinnard*)

Miserere mei, Deus - GREGORIO ALLEGRI (1582–1652)

DOWN AMPNEY

HYMN 67 Come down, O love divine \$stand GREETING *Priest* The Lord be with you.

**Priest**The Lord be with you**People**And with thy spirit.Let us pray.

**COLLECT** for Ash Wednesday

**Priest** Almighty and everlasting God, you despise nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

# FIRST LESSON Isaiah 58.1-12 §sit

*Lector* A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Chout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like **J**a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practised righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgements, they delight to draw near to God. <sup>3</sup>"Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? 6Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? 7Is it not to share your bread

with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? 8 Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. <sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

#### Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 103.8–18 Benedic, anima mea

Chant: HERBERT N. HOWELLS (1892–1983)

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy \* long-suffering, and of great goodness.

- 9 He will not alway be chiding \* neither keepeth he his anger for ever.
- 10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins \* nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.
- 11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth \* so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.
- 12 Look how wide also the east is from the west \* so far hath he set our sins from us.
- 13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children \* even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.
- 14 For he knoweth whereof we are made \* he remembereth that we are but dust.
- 15 The days of man are but as grass \* for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.
- 16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone \* and the place thereof shall know it no more.
- 17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him \* and his righteousness upon children's children;
- 18 Even upon such as keep his covenant \* and think upon his commandments to do them. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

#### SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10

*Lector* A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. <sup>6.1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships,

calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see — we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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#### GRADUAL HYMN 77 Jesus, lover of my soul \$stand

Aberystwyth

#### GOSPEL St. Matthew 6.1–6, 16–21 §face the Gospeler Gospeler The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew. **Glory be to thee, O Lord.** 

Jesus said, <sup>1</sup>"Beware of practising your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. <sup>2</sup>So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup>so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>5</sup>And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup>But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>16</sup>And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>17</sup>But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup>so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>19</sup>Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; <sup>20</sup>but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

# The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### HOMILY §sit

#### BIDDING §stand

**Priest** Dear friends in Christ, every year at the time of the Christian Passover we celebrate our redemption through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew our life in the paschal mystery. We begin this holy season by remembering our need for repentance, and for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes, an ancient sign, speaking of the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and marking the penitence of the community as a whole. I invite you therefore, in the name of the Lord, to observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God. Let us kneel before our Creator and Redeemer. *Skneel or sit* 

#### **PSALM 51** Miserere mei, Deus

Chant: Plainsong, Tone II.1

Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness; according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences. Wash me throughly from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me. Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight, that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou shalt judge. Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me. But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts, and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly. Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness, that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Turn thy face from my sins, and put out all my misdeeds. Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy holy Spirit from me. O give me the comfort of thy help again, and stablish me with thy free Spirit. Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked, and sinners shall be converted unto thee. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health; and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness. Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall show thy praise. For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee; but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings. The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise. O be favourable and gracious unto Sion; build thou the walls of Jerusalem. Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations; then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### LITANY OF PENITENCE AND CONFESSION

All Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you, to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

*Litanist* We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

#### Teople Have mercy on us, Lord.

*Litanist* We have been deaf to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit. **Have mercy on us, Lord.** 

We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

#### We confess to you, Lord.

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people, **We confess to you, Lord.** 

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

#### We confess to you, Lord.

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

#### We confess to you, Lord.

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,

#### We confess to you, Lord.

Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty, **Accept our repentance, Lord.** 

For all false judgements, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbours, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us, **Accept our repentance, Lord.** 

For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,

#### Accept our repentance, Lord.

Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us; Hear us, Lord, for your mercy is great.

# PRAYER OVER THE ASHES

**Priest** Almighty God, from the dust of the earth you have created us. May these ashes be for us a sign of our mortality and penitence, and a reminder that only by your gracious gift are we given eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.* 

# **IMPOSITION OF THE ASHES**

Those who desire to receive ashes come forward, and the ashes are applied to the forehead of each person.

#### PRAYER \$kneel or sit

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# CONCLUSION OF THE CONFESSION

**Priest**Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation.**AllThat we may show forth your glory in the world.** 

By the cross and passion of your Son, our Lord, Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.

#### ABSOLUTION

**Priest** Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.* 

#### THE PEACE §stand

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And with thy spirit.

# CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**OFFERTORY HYMN 213** Judge eternal, throned in splendour

PICARDY (HB 332)

Merbecke

Eucharistic Prayer A - Preface of Lent

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE** *§remain standing*

**Priest** All things come of thee, O Lord.

*People* And of thine own have we given thee.

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**Priest** Merciful God, turn us from sin to faithfulness. Accept our offering, and prepare us to celebrate the death and resurrection of Christ our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you now and for ever **Amen**.

# **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

# *People* And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

#### It is meet and right so to do.

**Priest** It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Who hast bidden us thy faithful people to cleanse our hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism, and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more generous in works of love. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name:

# SANCTUS, BENEDICTUS

All 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. *\$kneel or sit* 

**Priest** Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and 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; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy 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, when he had given thanks, he brake 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." Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

# *All* We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.* 

# LORD'S PRAYER

- **Priest** And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:
  - All 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.

# BREAKING OF THE BREAD

All We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

**FRACTION ANTHEM** Agnus Dei from Missa Brevis in F minorMARGARET DRYNAN (1915–1999)

# INVITATION

**Priest** The gifts of God for the People of God.

# *People* Thanks be to God.

# THE COMMUNION

All are welcome to share in the eucharist. If you prefer to receive a blessing, fold your arms across your chest.

During the administration of Communion and the Ablutions, the choir will sing: HYMN 79 Rock of ages, cleft for me Redhead No. 76 ANTHEM Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord RICHARD FARRANT (1530–1580)

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION §stand

**Priest** God of compassion, through your Son Jesus Christ you reconciled your people to yourself. Following his example of prayer and fasting, may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

# DOXOLOGY

*Priest* Glory to God

All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### BLESSING

*Priest* The peace of God, which passeth 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 amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.* 

HYMN 438 Forty days and forty nights \$stand

Heinlein

# DISMISSAL

*Leader* Go forth in the name of Christ.*People* Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY (Mr. Kinnard)

Fugue in B Minor on a theme by Corelli, BWV 579 - J.S. BACH (1685–1750)

# Assisting -

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Lectors	Ted Rennie, Jennifer Schmidt
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Sidespersons	Kevin Webb, Sara Sakowski
Subdeacon	Susan Roe-Finlay
Crucifer	Don Seaton
Acolytes	Arnold Goetz, Michael Croft
Litanist	Joanne Tapscott
Oblationers	Susan Gandier, David Owen Lucas
Altar Guild	Susan Roe-Finlay



# FORTHCOMING SERVICES -

1 March – **First Sunday in Lent** 08:15 – *Said Eucharist* • 10:30 – *Sung Eucharist* 

8 March – **Second Sunday in Lent** 08:15 – *Said Eucharist* • 10:30 – *Sung Eucharist* 16:00 – *Choral Evensong* 

15 March – **Third Sunday in Lent** 08:15 – *Said Eucharist* • 10:30 – *Sung Eucharist and Healing* 

> 22 March – Fourth Sunday in Lent 08:15 – Said Eucharist • 10:30 – Sung Eucharist

> 29 March – **FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT** 08:15 – *SAID EUCHARIST* • 10:30 – *SUNG EUCHARIST*

5 April – Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday 08:15 – Said Eucharist • 10:30 – Procession and Sung Eucharist

# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE -

6 April (Monday): EVENING PRAYER (Chancel) - 19:30

7 April (Tuesday): SAID EUCHARIST (Chancel) - 19:30

8 April (Wednesday): TENEBRÆ (Chancel) - 19:30

9 April Maundy Thursday - 19:30

10 April Good Friday - 14:00

11 April Holy Saturday – The GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER - 20:30

12 April *Easter Day – Sunday of the Resurrection* 08:15 – *SAID EUCHARIST* 10:30 – *PROCESSION AND CHORAL EUCHARIST* 



