

St Mary's Online

Morning Worship for Easter Season

Gathering

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He has given us new life and hope.

He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.

He has brought us out of darkness.

He has made us light to the world.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Song

Confession

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

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.



Collect

The night has passed, and the day lies open
before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

**As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and for ever. Amen**

Readings

After each reading the reader says

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

Sermon

Song

Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Show us your mercy, O Lord;

and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen;

and teach her counsellors wisdom.

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness;

and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, make your ways known upon the earth;

let all nations acknowledge your saving power.

Give your people the blessing of peace;

and let your glory be over all the world.

Make our hearts clean, O God;

and renew a right spirit within us.

St Mary's Purpose and Vision prayer

As we seek to discover God's purpose and vision

for St Mary's, we pray:

Open our eyes, Lord;

unblock our ears, Lord;

put your words on our lips, Lord;

set our hearts on fire

to build your Kingdom

in our lives; through our church; in our town.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

Intercessions

Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,

let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has

taught us:

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 sin against us.

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.

Song

Blessing

God the Father,

by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,

open to you who believe

the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Son,

who in bursting from the grave has won a

glorious victory, give you joy as you share the

Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,

who filled the disciples with the life of the risen

Lord, empower you and fill you with Christ's

peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing ...

Let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God.

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