

# 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

## Mothering Sunday with Holy Communion

### Service Sheet

## Welcome to our Mothering Sunday Service of Holy Communion with Rev'd. Sarah



Assisted by Sarah Rosser, Anne Farrow and Janet Martin

Join our Zoom Service at **09:30** a.m. hosted  
and conducted by Sarah during which some  
recorded elements will be included.

*Contact Sarah for details on how to join the gathering*

**A recording of the Zoom Service will also be available on YouTube  
as soon as possible on Sunday or Monday morning.**

## Previous Service Recordings

**A Recording of today's service will be available on YouTube.**

**Most recent service recordings here:**

28<sup>th</sup> Feb. <https://youtu.be/f30MHleW5Nc> 7<sup>th</sup> Mar. [https://youtu.be/hqH7\\_EvCm4c](https://youtu.be/hqH7_EvCm4c)

For a full history of recordings, see Barlow website:

(<http://barlow-church.org.uk/coronavirus.html>).

**Archdeacon Carol's services and reflections** from earlier in the pandemic can be viewed here: <https://www.facebook.com/ArchChesterfield> - You don't need a Facebook account to view them.

**Other local services - The Crooked Spire's service(s) available here:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDrGU56c59qfQeHsWOoy1g>

**Diocese of Derby – Links to Online Services in the Diocese:**

[https://derby.anglican.org/en/news/events-and-training/parish-events/derbyshire-church-events.html?fbclid=IwAR2Y88YQLe4xABvKt5\\_R8T8Y-Wr0I5zh41-JWIhmGw5ZeOsdDE3JyDnN1KA](https://derby.anglican.org/en/news/events-and-training/parish-events/derbyshire-church-events.html?fbclid=IwAR2Y88YQLe4xABvKt5_R8T8Y-Wr0I5zh41-JWIhmGw5ZeOsdDE3JyDnN1KA)

## Our Diocese Together - February

The February issue of "Our Diocese Together" is now [available to download](#) from the Diocese of Derby website or to view online [here](#).

## "Inbetween" Deanery Newsletter

Our Deanery Newsletter is available to download from here:

<https://derby.anglican.org/en/about-us/deaneries/north-east-derbyshire-deanery/north-east-derbyshire-parishes.html>

### All Age Communion Service for Mothering Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2021

#### Welcome

The grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you:  
**and also with you.**

Lord, open our lips:

**so we can shout your praises!**

Lord, open our eyes:

**so we can see your wondrous works!**

Lord, open our ears:

**so we can hear your call!**

Lord, open our hearts:

**so we can live a life of love.**

#### Introduction

##### Hymn – Lord of all hopefulness

*Tune: Traditional Irish "Slane"*

*Author: Jan Struther (1931)*

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever child-like,  
No cares could destroy,  
Be there at our waking,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord,  
At the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled  
At the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord,  
At the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome,  
Your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord,  
At the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment,  
Whose presence is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord,  
At the end of the day.

#### Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

### **Saying Sorry to God**

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden,  
to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

*Silence is kept*

God be gracious to us and bless us,  
and make your face shine upon us:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth,  
your saving power among the nations:  
Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,  
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy**

### **The Absolution**

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 Collect**

Let us pray

God of love,  
passionate and strong,  
tender and careful:  
watch over us and hold us  
all the days of our life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** 1 Samuel 1.20-28 *recorded by Janet Martin*

**In** due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, "As soon as

the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and remain there forever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time."<sup>1</sup> Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the LORD establish his word." So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, "Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD." She left him there for the LORD.

### **Gospel Reading:** Luke 2.33-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you. O Christ.**

### **Talk – Sarah Rosser**

#### **The Iona Creed**

**We believe that God is present  
in the darkness before dawn;  
in the waiting and uncertainty  
where fear and courage join hands,  
conflict and caring link arms,  
and the sun rises over barbed wire.  
We believe in a with-us God  
who sits down in our midst  
to share our humanity.  
We affirm a faith  
that takes us beyond a safe place:  
into action, into vulnerability and onto the streets.  
We commit ourselves to work for change  
and put ourselves on the line;  
to bear responsibility, take risks,  
live powerfully and face humiliation;  
to stand with those on the edge;  
to choose life and be used by the Spirit  
for God's new community of hope. Amen**

### **Prayers of Intercession – read by Anne Farrow**

*The responses to:*

We are all your children  
**Help us grow in love**

## *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

### **The Peace**

God is love, and those who live in love live in God,  
and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

### **Prayer of Preparation**

God of mercy and compassion  
your Word calls us home to faith and love.  
Accept all we offer you this day  
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Let us pray.

The Lord is here

**God's spirit is with us.**

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.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,  
your face is turned towards your world.  
In love you gave us Jesus your Son  
to rescue us from sin and death.  
Your Word goes out to call us home  
to the city where angels sing your praise.  
We join with them in heaven's song:

**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.**

Father of all, we give you thanks  
for every gift that comes from heaven.  
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.  
With signs of faith and words of hope  
he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

**This is our song:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son,  
yet at the end they turned on him.  
On the night he was betrayed  
he came to table with his friends  
to celebrate the freedom of your people.  
This is his story.

**This is our song:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;  
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:  
This is my body, given for you all.  
Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;  
he took the cup, gave it and said:  
This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this in remembrance of me.  
This is our story.

**This is our song:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup  
we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free.  
Defying death he rose again  
and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.  
This is our story.

**This is our song:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now  
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ  
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.  
May we and all who share this food  
offer ourselves to live for you  
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven  
where all creation worships you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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**

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.**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*As the priest receives communion on behalf of the whole congregation  
you are invited to pray privately:*

**Come Lord Jesus, dwell in me  
and send your Holy Spirit  
that I may be filled with your presence.**

*Silence is kept.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray

**In darkness and in light,  
in trouble and in joy,  
help us, heavenly Father,  
to trust your love,  
to serve your purpose,  
and to praise your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Hymn: Now thank we all our God**

*Lyricist: Martin Rinkart (1586 – 1694), translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827 – 1878)  
Tune: Nun Danket, composed by Johann Crüger (1598 – 1662), and harmonised by  
William Henry Monk (1823-1889)*

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done, in Whom this world rejoices;  
Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed;  
And free us from all ills, in this world and the next!

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;

The Son and Him Who reigns with Them in highest Heaven;  
The one eternal God, whom earth and Heaven adore;  
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

### **The Blessing**

The God of hope  
fill you with all joy and peace in believing;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit  
rest upon you and all those whom you love,  
both living and departed, now and always.

**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Amen.**

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## **Reflection for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March from Rev'd. Jocelyn**

### **Mother's Day or Mothering Sunday?**

So many of the cards that only mothers get are full of "Thank you for being a wonderful mother". Most mothers are exactly that, doing their best for their children, loving, caring and supportive. Often long into adulthood and independence of the offspring.

But in my ministry, I have known of children and adults for whom "wonderful mother" is not how it is. Whether through illness, death or absence, the mother figure is not there, not wonderful and sometimes abusive. So, when taking Mothering Sunday services and handing out the flowers at the end, I have told everyone there to take the flowers, old, young, male, female – because everyone has had a mother, liked or loathed, remembered or not known.

How much better is Mothering Sunday, because it acknowledges that everyone can be mothering. Humans, even animals, have the caring capacity for another. Mothering includes caring within families, it includes caring for the neighbour, and it includes dropping off food for the foodbank – for those who are in need and those who share their time and effort. It includes cleaners and cooks, post people and shop assistants. It might be their job, but the influence and compassion is there. Mothering can be done, and often is, by men, sometimes without thanks or even acknowledgement.

Let me end with a true event that happened to me on Saturday. Earlier I happened to see out of the window a lady that I have, in better days, stopped to chat to. I don't know her name, but seeing her with a baby, I called out to her. We hadn't met for months, and the baby was 6 months old! I told her that I was shielding and was looking forward to better times to come.

On Saturday, there was a knock on the door to find my friend standing on the lawn (social distancing) and a bag full of goodies by the door. Fruit, vegetables and chocolate. Just because. That's mothering – even though she must be half my age. And I hope that this

Mothering Sunday, we can, in some way, mother someone else. Show compassion and love for those who have so little, and those who are getting on with life.

Amen

## **Bishop Libby 's Updates** **From Archdeacon Carol**

On Sunday, some of you may have watched the service to celebrate Commonwealth Day, "Delivering a Common Future". I found it a vibrant and spiritual reflection representing the traditions of the 54 member states across the world.



Powerful stories were shared that showed how people have given their time and skills to rise above all that they have faced during this pandemic.

We are, in comparison to some, incredibly fortunate. Our everyday lives can bring a message of Hope as we strive to make a difference in the ways we transform lives and work in our communities. We can make a difference, be it with restoring relationships, supporting the bereaved, putting in place measures that might reduce our impact on the environment, being advocates for education for all.

March 8th saw more pupils returning to school and we are well underway on our journey to recovery.

So let us not lose heart but be inspired in our own calling and inspiration that we gain from others but can also give to others.

If you wish to watch the service and hear the stories [here is the link](#).

Remember you are all in my prayers

Every blessing

Carol

## **A prayer for Mothering Sunday**

Thank you God for the love of our mothers:  
thank you God for their care and concern;  
thank you God for the joys they have shared with us;  
thank you God for the pains they have borne for us;  
thank you God for all that they give us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

## **Giving thanks and donations**

The Diocese of Derby is now supporting an initiative by Christian Aid to give both thanks and a donation once you have received the vaccine.

The donation will be used by Christian Aid to help vulnerable communities around the world access soap, food and vital health information in the face of the pandemic.

Christian Aid will also support vaccination programmes in countries where it is operating by providing data on hard-to-reach populations to local health services and by challenging misleading information about the virus and vaccination, as well as any stigma faced by those who contract Covid-19.

Donations can be made through the Diocese's website or by telephoning Christian Aid on 020 7523 2226

[Full details are available on the diocesan website.](#)

# Planned Joint Benefice Services

On Sundays, at 09:30 am, there will be a Zoom meeting space during which people will be able to enjoy a service together. A 9:30 am start means that people can choose to stay on for coffee there or join another gathering at 11am if they so wish.

Services with a green background will be held in Church, all being well.

| Date  | Presiding      | Preaching / Prayers         |
|---|----------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Wednesdays in Lent 17<sup>th</sup> &amp; 24<sup>th</sup> March<br/>8:30 p.m. Lectio Divina 9:00 Compline</i> | <i>Various</i> |                             |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar. Passion Sunday  | Rev'd Janet    | Reader, Kate                |
| <b>28<sup>th</sup> Mar. Palm Sunday –<br/>we intend to be in Church</b>   | Rev'd Sarah    |                             |
| <i>Holy Week Mon., Tue., &amp; Wed.<br/>9:00 Compline</i>   | <i>Various</i> |                             |
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> Apr. 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday</b>  | Rev'd Sarah    | Rev'd Janet (Kate)          |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr. 2 p.m. Zoom Service<br>2 p.m. Stations of the Cross at Barlow                              | Reader, Kate   | Book Barlow via John Rushby |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr. 9:00 p.m. Zoom Vigil   | Rev'd Sarah    |                             |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> Apr. Easter Day H.C.</b>  | Rev'd Jocelyn  | Reader, Kate                |
| <b>11<sup>th</sup> Apr. Low Sunday 10:30 a.m. at<br/>Barlow – Joint Service</b>                                 |                |                             |

## Loundsley Green LEP to restart Live Services

Services are planned for Sundays April 4<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> ; May 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

## Daily Offices

Rev'd. Sarah has set up Zoom Daily offices each lasting around 20 minutes at 9am and 5pm weekdays Monday to Friday. If you would like to join in with either or both of these, please contact Rev'd Sarah ([vicar@oldbramptonchurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@oldbramptonchurch.org.uk) or [priest@barlow-church.org.uk](mailto:priest@barlow-church.org.uk)) for details.

### 9am Morning Prayer

The liturgy will be shared on the screen so you don't need to have your own copy, but if you would prefer to you can either:

1. Download the Common Worship Daily Prayer app (Aimer media) for free to your tablet or phone, or
2. Click on this link: [Join us in a service of Daily Prayer | The Church of England](#)

### 5pm Evening Prayer

The liturgy will be shared on the screen so you don't need to have your own copy, but if you would prefer to then you can click on this link: [Evening Prayer - Northumbria Community](#)

# EASTER GARDEN COMPETITION



Your Easter Garden could be a:

- \* **Mini garden** – outside or indoors
- \* **Window decoration**
- \* **Model**
- \* **Picture** – e.g. drawing, painting or collage

*Ideal for all ages\**  
**Anyone anywhere is  
welcome to enter!**

\* If you are aged 10 or younger  
please specify your age

To enter please email a photo of your garden to Sue at  
**[obbells@oldbramptonchurch.org.uk](mailto:obbells@oldbramptonchurch.org.uk)**

Closing date: Easter Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April

## Easter Gardens Competition - Last Year's Winner:



National Day of  
**Reflection**  
23 March

## National Day of Reflection - 23 March 2021

On 23 March 2021, it will be one year since the first UK lockdown. Since then, millions of people have been bereaved, both as a result of Covid-19 and due to other causes. The restrictions we've all been living under have meant that many people have had to grieve without the comfort of having friends and family around them.

Marie Curie has organised a National Day of Reflection to acknowledge grief and loss over the last year. The national Church of England is one of several organisations supporting it, and the Life Events team will provide some additional, bespoke resources for parishes to use if they want to join in.

There will be a minute's silence at 12 noon on 23 March to create a moment that shows support for the millions of people who've been bereaved. It might also be a day to connect with someone who is grieving. This might be in simple ways such as having a chat with them, sending a card, a message, or giving them some spring flowers.

A dedicated section has been created on the Church Support Hub website featuring a wealth of resources for Churches with details of how to get involved.

>> [View National Day of Reflection website](#)

