

Romsey Abbey



The Parish Church of
St Mary and St Ethelflaeda



Parish Eucharist

for First Sundays of the month

WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

THE GATHERING

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

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Words of welcome and introduction may follow.

Please sit or kneel

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**All: Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid;
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

This or an alternative introduction may be used

Hear the words of our Saviour Jesus Christ:

'I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me shall never walk in darkness
but shall have the light of life.'

Let us therefore bring our sins into his light
and confess them in penitence and faith. *(cf John 8.12)*

In a dark and disfigured world,
we have no held out the light of life:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

In a hungry and despairing world
we have failed to share our bread:

Christ have mercy.

All Christ have mercy.

In a cold and loveless world
we have kept the love of God to ourselves:

Lord have mercy.

All Lord have mercy.

This or an alternative form of absolution may follow

May the God of love
bring *you* back to himself,
forgive *you* your sins,
and assure *you* of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Please stand

The Gloria may be sung by members of the choir or said altogether.

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 COLLECT

A moment of silent prayer is held before the Collect is said.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

One or two scripture readings precede the Gospel

This is the Word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL

We stand for the Gospel reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to *N*

All: Glory to you, O Lord

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

TALK

The good news from today's scripture readings is explored.

CREED *Please stand*

Let us affirm together our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all
being and life, the one for whom we exist?

All: I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

All: I believe and trust in him

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All: I believe and trust in him

This is the faith of the Church

All: This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ
let us pray to the Father.

Please sit or kneel

Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

at the end

Merciful Father

**All: Accept these prayers
for the sake of your son
our saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE PEACE *Please stand.*

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you

Please ensure current social distance guidelines are observed.

OFFERTORY HYMN

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church or one of the two contactless devices. Alternatively, you can
donate through the Abbey Website or send a cheque to the parish
office, Church Lane, Romsey SO51 8EP. Thank you.*

PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

God of all goodness and grace,
receive the gifts we offer;
and grant that our whole life
may give you glory and praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *Please stand.*

Our prayer of thanks to God.

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

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

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.
All **You embraced us as your children and welcomed us
to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.
All **He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made
for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new
covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in
glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

All **As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

Sung by the choir or said by all

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Please sit or kneel.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us.

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

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All: **Though we are many,
we are one body
for we all share in the one bread.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper:

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

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
keep us all in eternal life. **Amen**

The Agnus Dei may be sung by the choir or said all together

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 peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a Blessing. Communion will be distributed in one kind only, that is the wafer and not the wine. The sidespersons will direct you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

The choir may sing a motet and a hymn during Communion

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

A post Communion prayer is said.

**All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen**

NOTICES

FINAL HYMN

BLESSING

This or another suitable Blessing may be used

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, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you
always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord

All In the name of Christ. Amen

VOLUNTARY

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