St John's Malone

Trinity Sunday

Sunday 30th May 2021 at 10.30am ~ Worship Sheet



Jesus instructing Nicodemus Jordaens, Jacob, 1593-1678 Building:Musées Royaux des Beaux Arts de Belgique

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The Gathering of God's People

THE GREETING

The Lord be with you and also with you

Welcome A sentence of scripture may be read (see pages 78-82), and the presiding minister may introduce the liturgy of the day.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

PENITENCE

The Confession is introduced with appropriate words:

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace.

Silence

Almighty God, **our heavenly Father**, we have sinned in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may walk in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

The priest pronounces the Absolution:

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you, +pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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 OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; for you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

THE READING

Romans 8: 12-17

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— 13for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' 16it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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

THE GRADUAL

Gradual Hymn (Choir and congregation) Members of the congregation stand to sing quietly, if they wish, behind their face masks.

THE GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John chapter 3 beginning at verse 1 **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

John 3: 1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus^{*} by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' ³Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.'^{*} ⁴Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' ⁵Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit.^{*} ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' ⁹Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' ¹⁰Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

11 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

16 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Lord, in your mercy:orLord, hear us:hear our prayer.Lord, Graciously hear us.Or anotherversicle or response is used.

At the end of the Intercessions the following may be used when appropriate: Merciful Father, accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen. or other suitable words

THE PEACE

The presiding minister introduces the Peace with suitable words:

Sentence

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

Those joining the service from home or elsewhere are invited to share the Peace with those next to them.

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

The table may be prepared by a deacon or lay people.

The gifts of money may be left on the alms dish on the table when leaving the building at the north door.

AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

The bread and wine shall be placed on the table for the communion if this has not already been done and a prayer may be said

Prayer of Preparation

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Stand

The bishop or priest who presides takes the bread and wine and may say Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us **therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Prayer 1

The Lord is here. **His 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 our thanks and praise.

Father, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

You have revealed your glory as the glory of your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendour, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be worshipped and adored:

And so with all your people, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying: 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!

Blessed are you, Father, the creator and sustainer of all things; you made us in your own image, male and female you created us; even when we turned away from you, you never ceased to care for us, but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin, giving your only begotten Son to become man and suffer death on the cross to redeem us: he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world: he instituted. and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again: On the night that he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, 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 when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for 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. Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son commanded: we remember his passion and death, we celebrate his resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his kingdom.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The presiding minister says

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The presiding minister (who may be assisted by the deacon) breaks the consecrated bread in preparation for the Communion

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

We being many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

The following anthem may be said or sung after the Breaking of the Bread or during the Communion

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, Redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Words of Invitation

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to eternal life.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to eternal life.

Holy Communion will be administered in one kind in your pew. You may sit to receive. Please leave your mask on until the priest has moved away. Holy Communion will be administered in the nave first, followed by those in the north transept and side chapel.

Choir:

THE COMMUNION for those who will not be receiving the sacrament at this time the following may be said privately:-

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen. *~after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

THE GREAT SILENCE

Hymn Members of the congregation stand to sing quietly, if they wish, behind their face masks.

Going Out as God's People

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, may we who have received this holy communion, worship you with lips and lives proclaiming your majesty and finally see you in your eternal glory: Holy and Eternal Trinity, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All say

Almighty God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of 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 [Strengthen us] in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

DISMISSAL

The presiding minister says the seasonal blessing, BLESSING

...and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

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

Organ Voluntary:

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Please wait in your pew until directed to leave by the stewards. The exit is via the north porch in the one way system. **The alms dish and worship sheet deposit box are on the way out on the table in the** <u>north transcept</u>. You may like to tear off the Track & Trace sheet and take the Worship Sheet part home.

READINGS:

Isaiah 6:1-8: Isaiah receives a vision of God in God's glory in the Temple, and he hears the seraphim singing "Holy, Holy, Holy." Then, after he has confessed and been cleansed, he hears God asking for someone whom God can send, and he volunteers.

Psalm 29: A psalm in praise of God's glory, the power and majesty of God's voice, and acknowledging God as the eternal ruler over creation, the heavenly beings and all people.

Romans 8:12-17: By the power of God's Spirit, we are heirs with Christ of God's glory, we are adopted as children of God, and we are able to live according to the Spirit's leading, not following our sinful nature.

John 3:1-17: Jesus teaches Nicodemus that, in order to see God's Reign, he must be born of the Spirit. For whoever believes in Jesus, sent by God into the world to save the world, receives God's eternal life.

REFLECTIONS ON THEME:

The obvious focus of the readings this week is the celebration of the Trinity. Isaiah's vision, with the triple "holy" of the seraphs, reveals how powerfully transforming a true encounter with the triune God can be. The psalm supports this with its celebration of God as king over all, including the heavenly beings. In the letter to the Romans, Paul reveals how the triune God works in our hearts and lives to make us, both in identity and action, true Spirit-led children of God. Finally, in John's Gospel, Jesus makes the same point in his call for seekers of God to be born again – transformed, by God's Spirit, into believers in, and practitioners, of the values and purposes of God's Reign, that was revealed, taught and demonstrated by Jesus. God is revealed, then, as the King and Creator, who seeks an intimate relationship, as of parent and child, with human beings, and all of creation. Then, God is also revealed in Christ as the one who shows the true nature of God's kingship, and who invites us to be participants in God's work in the world, by giving us an example, and by opening doors to God's life through his death and resurrection. Finally, the empowerment we need to enter this relationship with God, and live as kingdom people, is God's Spirit who is given to us and through whom we are born from above. The key for this week, then, is how God encounters us, in God's own nature, and transforms us into Christ-like, kingdom living, children of God. The Trinitarian celebration is not just a fascinating theological exercise, but a moment of opening ourselves, in worship, to this transforming encounter with our majestic and mysterious God.

Notices:

- Toilets are available for use. Follow the one way system to use them. Please leave them as you'd wish to find them and take the necessary hand hygiene seriously, remembering to turn off the tap with a paper towel. The disinfectant spray supplied should be used on the toilet seat and flush handle after use.
- Under GDPR guidance we need to tell you that we will be recording the service and/or livestreaming today. The cameras will point towards the nave altar and pulpit and only on occasion, towards the entrance doors. Those coming to and from the side areas and exiting will be in the camera view for a short time.
- Access to the suite of church halls is <u>still</u> limited. Contact the Rector before entering the halls or church and follow the necessary hygiene and cleansing precautions. For the purposes of tracking and tracing complete the register in the white files provided in each hall thank you.

A reminder about some of our in-church worship protocols:

- Please remain in your seat that has been assigned to you unless it's absolutely necessary to move out of it.
- Remember to fill in the pew number on the Track & Trace page on the reverse of the service sheet. You may tear this page off and leave it in the box on the way out whilst retaining your service sheet for reference during the week.
- Observe two metres spacing on the way in and out of church *and* inside church.
- If you display any of Covid19 related symptoms you should not come to church.
 Please observe government testing guidelines and isolation requirements.
- At the <u>9am service</u> in the Seaver Hall or L'Estrange Hall we enter through the main hall door at the car park. A liquid dispenser for cleansing your hands is fixed to the wall on the left. Exit through the fire doors where there will also be a cleansing station.
- If you're gathering outside please observe the two metres distancing.



Trinity Sunday 30.5.21 |Holy Communion 9.00am; The Eucharist 10.30am <u>services today</u> are livestreamed on & recorded for St John's Malone YouTube channel

Wednesday in first week after Trinity | Compline on Zoom 7.30pm

Thursday | Mid-week Holy Communion with prayer for those in need 10.30am

Trinity I 6.6.21 | 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.30am Sunday First & Holy Baptism

Sunday & Weekday Services:

On Thursdays the 10.30am Mid-week Eucharist has resumed. Please email me any names of the sick and others you'd like mentioned in the prayers and send them to me by Wednesday if possible.

Trinity Sunday 30th May marks the start of a second service for Sunday at 9.00am in one of the halls. This will have the effect of spreading the load over two services instead of having just one, allowing the possibility of more people being able to attend church on Sundays. This service will alternate on a month's cycle between Holy Communion and Morning Prayer both of which had been a feature of our original 8.30am and 11.45pm services before March 2020.

The office is staffed by our temporary Office Administrator Brenda McMullen Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am-1pm Tel: 028 9066 7861 / <u>secstjohns@btconnect.com</u>

ZOOM COMPLINE WEDNESDAYS

Our gatherings at Wednesday Compline will continue throughout Lockdown. Services are at 7.30pm. If you can't get in by clicking the link then use the ID and passcode. These will allow you to access Compline each Wednesday evening.

Access details are:-

Topic: Compline

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72307105870?pwd=V0ZscHZiNIIxL3I2RWNncEV5V0crdz09

Meeting ID: 723 0710 5870 Passcode: 2qrfzq

Here are some advance dates for your diary as we journey through the Christian year.

Trinity Sunday – May 30, 2021

Trinity III – June 20, 2021 Confirmation with the Bishop please register attendance with the parish office via email of phone by Tuesday 15th June by 12.30pm.

First Sunday of Advent – November 28, 2021

ST JOHN'S SOCIAL MEDIA / WEB

- St John's has a Twitter page on @malonestjohns which carries up to date information on parish life and other religious and secular matters.
- □ 'St John's Malone' on **Facebook**
- □ Instagram: worthy_communicant
- □ Website: <u>www.malone.connor.anglican.org</u>
- □ Wordpress: www.stjohnsmalone.wordpress.com
- □ Rector: <u>malone@connor.anglican.org</u>
- □ Office: <u>secstjohns@btconnect.com</u> for admin matters

Please PRINT your name and the names of any accompanying you today and supply a phone number to enable tracking and tracing. If you become ill with any symptoms of Covid19 *and are subsequently tested positive*, please contact the Rector as soon as possible and follow government guidelines. <u>Deposit this sheet in the box in the porch on the way out. Thank you.</u>

NAME:	PHONE:
NAME:	
PEW NUMBER(S) (FOUND AT THE PEW END):	

DATE:

Note: <u>Please leave directly from your pew in the church through the north</u> porch as directed by the stewards whilst maintaining 2m distancing.

You may wish to tear off this page when completed and retain the booklet for reference during the week