Holy Eucharist

on Trinity Sunday

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The Gathering

Organ music before the service
Andante Tranquillo (from Five Short Pieces for Organ)
Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)
Played by Canon Adrian Daffern

The Greeting

The Vicar, Canon Adrian Daffern, presiding, says

Come, Father of inexpressible majesty;
Come, Lord Jesus, the Father’s incomparable Son;
Come, Holy Spirit, most blessed Lord;
Come, Holy and adorable Trinity:

Everyone proclaims

Come today, come now, come always.
Come, Lord, come!

Hymn

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
through the eye of sinful ones thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee
perfect in power, in love, and purity.
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber 1783-1826
Tune NICÆA J.B. Dykes 1823-76

The president welcomes everyone, and introduces the service

The Liturgy of Penitence

God the Father forgives us in Christ
and heals us by the Holy Spirit:
Let us therefore confess our sins to God our redeemer.

O King enthroned on high,
filling the earth with your glory:
holy is your name, Lord God almighty.
In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away,
and to cleanse our lips to speak your word,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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

Gloria in Excelsis Deo
Double Choir Gloria in E flat
Joseph Rheinberger (1839-1901)
Recorded previously by the choirs of Great St Mary's
Collect

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;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Reading

Read by Dave Richards

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a
throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the
temple. 2 Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six
wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they
covered their feet, and with two they flew. 3 And one called to
another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

4 The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who
called, and the house filled with smoke. 5 And I said: “Woe is me! I
am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people
of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

6 Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. 7 The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” 8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

Isaiah 6.1-8

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

The Gospel Acclamation

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 28.16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

Matthew 28.16-20

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

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 from the Holy Spirit and 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.

The Prayers of Intercession
Led by David Grumett
The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

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

Hymn

Bright the vision that delighted once the sight of Judah’s seer; sweet the countless tongues united to entrance the prophet’s ear.

Round the Lord in glory seated cherubim and seraphim filled his temple, and repeated each to each the alternate hymn:

‘Lord, thy glory fills the heaven; earth is with its fulness stored; unto thee be glory given, Holy, holy, holy, Lord.’

Heaven is still with glory ringing, earth takes up the angels’ cry, ‘Holy, holy, holy,’ singing, ‘Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.’

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With his seraph train before him,  
with his holy Church below,  
thus unite we to adore him,  
bid we thus our anthem flow:

‘Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;  
earth is with its fulness stored;  
unto thee be glory given,  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.’

Richard Mant 1776-1848  
Tune LAUS DEO Richard Redhead 1820-1901

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father; almighty and eternal God.  
For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit  
you are one God, one Lord.  
We, your holy Church, acclaim you,  
Father of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
Three Persons we adore, one in being and equal in majesty.  
And so with angels and archangels,  
with cherubim and seraphim, we sing for ever of your glory:
We hear the choir (recorded previously) sing the Sanctus

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in excelsis.
Hosanna in the highest.

Francis Poulenc, Mass in G major

We praise and bless you, loving Father;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
Drink this, all of you;
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.

Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.
Great is the mystery of faith

Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again!

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
O loving Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As God's children, and heirs with Christ,
we cry in the Spirit, 'Abba', Father:

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

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.

The Giving of Communion

God’s holy gifts for God’s holy people.

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

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

You may wish to make an act of spiritual communion at this point, using one or more of the following prayers:

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 St Richard of Chichester

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples, ‘I am with you always’.
Be with me today, as I offer myself to you.
Hear my prayers for others and for myself,
and keep me in your care.
Amen.
O God,
help me to trust you,
help me to know that you are with me,
help me to believe that nothing can separate me from your love revealed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Prayers after Communion

Almighty and eternal God,
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:
hold us firm in this faith,
that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,
who are three Persons yet one God,
now and for ever.
Amen.

Hymn

I bind unto myself today
The strong name of the Trinity,
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One, and One in Three.

I bind unto myself today
The virtues of the star-lit heaven,
The glorious sun's life-giving ray,
The whiteness of the moon at even.
The flashing of the lightning free,
The whirling winds' tempestuous shocks,
The stable earth, the deep salt sea
Around the old eternal rocks.
I bind unto myself today
The power of God to hold and lead,
His eye to watch, his might to stay,
His ear to hearken to my need;
The wisdom of my God to teach,
His hand to guide, his shield to ward,
The word of God to give me speech,
His heavenly host to be my guard.

I bind unto myself the name,
the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three,
of whom all nature hath creation,
eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
Praise to the Lord of my salvation:
salvation is of Christ the Lord. Amen.

from St Patrick’s Breastplate, 5-7th century Gaelic
attributed to St Patrick 372-466
tr. Cecil Frances Alexander 1818-95
Tune ST PATRICK melody from the Petrie collection of Irish Music 1903
edited by C.V. Stanford 1852-1924

The Dismissal

The Blessing

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace;
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 light and peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Organ music

Fugue in E♭ (BWV 552)
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Adrian explains why he is playing this piece on Trinity Sunday:

"Bach's monumental Fugue in E♭ (often known in English-speaking cultures as the 'St Anne' because of the opening notes, which are the same as the hymn tune of that name) concludes part III of his Clavierübung (Keyboard-Practice) for organ (published in 1739). Many commentators have recognized that it betrays Trinitarian overtones which seem more than coincidental, which make it an appropriate choice for today. It is in E♭ Major (three flats); it has three sections; each of those sections is in what is called triple time - the first section is in 4/2 time (and has 36 bars); the second section is in 6/4 (45 bars), and the third section in 12/8 (36 bars). There are three distinct fugal themes, but the first principal theme appears in all three sections, making its final entrance majestically in the pedals in the closing moments of the piece. This theme binds the whole piece together in a single unity."

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