

All **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 President says the Collect;

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

All. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit for the First Reading: Wisdom 12 – 13: 16 – 19

A reading from the book of Wisdom

When people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose. Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance. There is not any god besides you, Lord, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly; For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength for sins.

This is the word of the Lord

All. **Thanks be to God**

THE PSALM *[said, led by the reader]* Psalm 85

Lord, you were favourable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin. You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us.

Will you be angry with us forever? will you prolong your anger to all generations?

Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in you?

Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

The Second Reading: Paul to the Romans 8: 26 - 27

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for 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. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For 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!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and 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. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will

of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

All stand for the Gospel: Matthew 13: 24 - 43

The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will

it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!' This is the Gospel of the Lord Praise be to you, O Christ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

After the Gospel, please be seated for the Sermon.

Following the Sermon we stand to say together the 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 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.**

Prayers of Intercession are offered, to conclude the President prays:

Merciful Father:

All **Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT.

The Peace will be given and responded to 'And also with you' the sign of peace will be omitted. When the altar has been prepared the Offertory prayers are said, to which the congregation respond:

All **Blessed be God forever**

The President continues:

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The President says the Prayer over the gifts, to which all respond: Amen.

All stand: The President says:

The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you
Lift up your hearts**

All: **We lift them to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God**

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

The President praises God for his mighty acts and all respond:

**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.**

Great is the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died:**

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

*The Eucharistic Prayer leads into the Doxology to which all respond:
Amen.*

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.**

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

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

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

All: **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

The President invites us to communion:

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

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

Everyone should wait at their seat and the President will bring Holy Communion or a blessing to them. The organ will be played during communion.

Prayer after Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 into the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Any announcements are made.

THE DISMISSAL

The president says: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

The President gives a blessing to which all respond:

All: Amen

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

During the service a collection will not take place, plates will be placed by the exit doors for those wishing to give. We are grateful to all who continue to support St George's by maintaining their Standing Orders or by using their Planned Giving envelopes each week.

All are asked to leave observing two metre spacing, please take this service sheet with you.

WELCOME TO ST GEORGE'S

6TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY – 19TH JULY 2020

10am PARISH MASS

We are pleased to welcome you back to this first service, following the easing of the Government's Covid19 restrictions, however certain provisions still remain and we hope that they do not interfere too drastically with your worship.

We thank The Very Reverend John Hall, KCVO, for presiding over our service today.

THE GATHERING

When the bell rings please stand for the entry of the Altar Party

The President says:

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

All. Amen.

The Lord be with you

All. And also with you

The President welcomes the people and introduces the Mass, inviting all to join in the Prayers of Penitence;

All. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

The President says:

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal: through Jesus Christ our Lord