ST CATHARINE’S COLLEGE

CHORAL EUCHARIST

FOR THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

THE DAY OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE
INSTITUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Thursday, 3rd June, 2021

The Mass is sung in the plainchant setting ‘Orbis factor’
With organ interpolations from the ‘Fiori musicali’
by Girolamo Frescobaldi (c.1583 –1643)

Those joining us online are welcome to join in with the hymns;
current guidelines do not allow congregational singing in Chapel.
ORGAN PRELUDE

Please stand as the choir sings the opening hymn.

OPENING HYMN

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness;
come into the daylight's splendour,
there with joy thy praises render
unto him whose grace unbounded
hath this wondrous banquet founded:
high o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.

Sun, who all my life dost brighten,
light, who dost my soul enlighten,
joy, the sweetest heart e'er knoweth,
fount, whence all my being floweth,
at thy feet I cry, my Maker,
let me be a fit partaker
of this blessed food from heaven,
for our good, thy glory, given.

Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee,
let me gladly here obey thee;
ever to my hurt invited,
be thy love with love requited:
from this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
through the gifts thou here dost give me,
as thy guest in heaven receive me.

New English Hymnal 280

GREETING

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.
Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
and also with you.

The Chaplain may introduce the service.
CONFESSION

As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God’s love, revealed in Word and Sacrament, let us call to mind our sins.

Please kneel or sit

NINE-FOLD KYRIE

Kyrie eleison
Lord, have mercy

Christe eleison
Christ, have mercy

Kyrie eleison
Lord, have mercy

ABSOLUTION

May almighty God have mercy on you, + forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life.

Amen.

Please stand to say together the Gloria

GLORIA

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.
COLLECT

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives the fruits of your redemption;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, ‘This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.’ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

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

Please stand for the Gospel.

GRADUAL ‘CANZON’
THE GOSPEL

The Celebrant sings:

All sing Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

All sing Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

and also with you.

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

Glory be to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, ‘I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.’ The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, ‘How can this man give us his flesh to eat?’ So Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.’

John 6.51-58

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

Please sit

HOMILY

The Chaplain

Please stand
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.

INTERCESSIONS

Please kneel or sit.

The response to the prayers is:
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

And at the end:
...Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.
THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

*Please stand as the Celebrant introduces the peace.*

We are the Body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of God’s peace in keeping with social distancing.*

OFFERTORY HYMN

Bread of heav’n on thee we feed,
For thy flesh is meat indeed;
Ever may our souls be fed
With this true and living bread,
Day by day with strength supplied
Through the life of him who died.

Vine of heav’n, thy blood supplies
This blest cup of sacrifice;
‘Tis they wounds our healing give;
To thy cross we look and live:
Thou our life! O let us be
Rooted, grafted, built on thee.

New English Hymnal 276

*Remain standing*
Eucharistic Prayer

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people. And now we give you thanks because when his hour had come, in his great love he gave this supper to his disciples, that we might proclaim his death, and feast with him in his kingdom. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. 
Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.
Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; 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 gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. Great is the mystery of faith:

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

TOCCATA FOR THE ELEVATION
**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Looking for the coming of his kingdom, 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.

**FRACTION**

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.

**AGNUS DEI**

_Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis._

_Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem._

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

The body and blood of Christ. Amen.
**GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*If you have been baptised and would like to receive communion please come forward to the sanctuary step one at a time, using hand sanitiser before you receive.*

*In accordance with current guidelines we will be receiving the bread only.*

*If you would like to receive God’s blessing instead please bow your head and hold your hands down to indicate your intention.*

**POST-COMMUNION MOTET**

*Caro mea vere est cibus: et sanguis meus vere est potus.*

*Qui manducat meam carnem, et bibit meum sanguinem,*

*in me manet, et ego in eo.*

My flesh is meat indeed: and my blood is drink indeed. He who eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.

*Andrea Gabrieli (c.1510-1586)*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

All praise to you, our God and Father, for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine: hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ, we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please stand*

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN**

Glory, love and praise and honour For our food, now bestowed, Render we the donor. Bounteous God, we now confess thee, God who thus, blessest us, Meet it is to bless thee.
Thankful for our every blessing,
Let us sing Christ the Sprint,
Never, never ceasing.
Source of all our gifts ad graces,
Christ we own; Christ alone
Calls for all our praises.

He dispels our sin and sadness,
Life imparts, cheers our hearts,
Fills with food and gladness,
Who himself for all has given,
Us he feeds, us he leads
To a feast in heaven.

New English Hymnal 287

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
render to no one evil for evil;
hold fast to that which is good;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honour everyone;
love and serve the Lord,
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Let us go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

ORGAN ‘CANZON’

The livestream ends after the voluntary;
you are encouraged to stay and listen.