

ST NICOLAS **GULDFORD**



Welcome to
Harvest Sunday Mass

¶ Please STAND for the Processional HYMN 259

The Gathering

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

All **Amen.**

Priest The Lord be with you:

All **And also with you.**

All **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.**

Confession

Deacon Let us confess our forgetfulness of the needs of the poor,
and repent of the ways in which we waste the resources of
the world.

¶ Please SIT OR KNEEL

Lord, you give justice to those who are suffering
and bread to those who hunger.

Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest Lord, you loose those who are bound
and open the eyes of the blind.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Priest Lord, you watch over the stranger in the land
and uphold the orphan and the widow.
Lord, have mercy.
All **Lord, have mercy.**

Absolution

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

¶ Please STAND

The Gloria

Choir *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

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
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

¶ Please SIT

A reading from the OLD TESTAMENT

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Keep the commandments of the Lord your God, by walking in his ways and by fearing him. For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am

commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

Lector For the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Choir: The Psalm
The eyes of all Jean Berger

A reading from the NEW TESTAMENT

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

‘He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.’

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Lector For the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

¶ Please STAND for the Gradual Hymn 262

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Alleluia, alleluia.

Lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are ripe for harvesting.
Gather the fruit for eternal life.

All Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

All This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

¶ Please SIT

The Homily

¶ Please STAND

The Creed

All

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 the People

¶ Please SIT OR KNEEL

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

Intercessor Let us pray to God, the Lord of the harvest,
that he will bring to fruition all that he desires for his creation.
Lord of creation,
we see that the fields are ripe for harvesting:
we pray for your Church,
that it may be ready to gather fruit for eternal life.
Lord of the harvest,

All **in your mercy hear us.**

You have created the universe by your eternal Word,
and have blessed humankind in giving us dominion
over the earth:
we pray for the world, for our King and Commonwealth,
that we may honour and share its resources,
and live in reverence for the creation
and in harmony with one another.

Lord of the harvest,

All **in your mercy hear us.**

Your Son has promised that the Spirit will lead us into all truth:
we pray for the community in which you have set us,
for one another and for ourselves,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace.

Lord of the harvest,

All **in your mercy hear us.**

You have given your people a rich land,
yet by sin we have made a world of suffering and sorrow:
we pray for those who bear the weight of affliction,
that they may come to share the life of wholeness and plenty.
Lord of the harvest,

All in your mercy hear us.

Your Son Jesus Christ is the first-fruits of the resurrection
and will reap the harvest of the dead at the end of time:
we pray that he will gather us all together
with those who have gone before
in the banquet of the age to come.

Lord of the harvest,

All in your mercy hear us.

Source of all life
and giver of all that is good,
hear our prayers
and grant us all that is in accordance with your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All in your mercy hear us.

**Merciful Father, accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

¶ Please STAND

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

¶ Please STAND

The Peace is introduced using appropriate words followed by:

Priest The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

The peace of the Lord be with you always

All And also with you.

The Bringing Forward of Symbols of the Harvest

Priest Let us bring forward symbols of the harvest,
gifts that God has created and his sun and rain have nurtured.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Priest Bring forward the harvest of the cornfields,
the oats and the wheat, the rye and the barley.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Priest Bring forward the harvest of roots,
the swedes and mangolds, turnips and sugar beet.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Priest Bring forward the harvest of seeds for next year's crops,
for clover, for hay and for corn.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Priest Bring forward the harvest of vegetables,
peas, potatoes, beans and hops.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Priest Bring forward the harvest of pears and apples,
berries and herbs.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Priest Bring forward the harvest of flowers,
the finest blooms from our gardens and our fields.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Priest Bring forward the grain and the grape,
for our Saviour took bread and wine
to feed us with his body and his blood,
given and shed for the life of the world.
Let us feed on him by faith with thanksgiving.

All **Thanks be to God.**

¶ The Offertory Hymn 261

During this hymn, a collection will be taken for the work of the church.

If you wish to make a contribution using the card machine, please ask to do this at the end of the service

The Preparation of the Altar The Offering of the Gifts

¶ Please remain **STANDING**

Priest 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 Eucharistic Prayer

Priest The Lord is here
All **His Spirit is with us.**

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

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

Priest It is indeed right and good
to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.
Through him you have created us in your own image,
and made us stewards of your good creation.

Through him you teach us to exult in the birds of
the air, the lilies of the field, the precious and life-
giving crops of the earth.
Through him you free us from the slavery of sin,

giving him to die upon the cross
and to rise again for our salvation.
Through him, you begin your work of new creation,
as we look for a new heaven and a new earth
in which your righteousness dwells.
Therefore, we join with angels and archangels,
and give voice to every creature under heaven,
for ever praising you and singing:

All **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.**

¶ Please SIT or KNEEL

Priest 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.

All

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 Our Lady, Nicolas, George,
Catherine, Benedict and 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.

All

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest 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;
in 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;

Priest Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fracture

Priest 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.

Communion

Priest Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are you 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.

Making your communion

All who are baptised may receive the sacrament

Anthem

Now thank we all our God – Johann Pachelbel

*Now thank we all our God, who worthy deeds hath done for every creature;
Who all our lives his wondrous love has us richly blessed,
And grant us all things good.*

*He gives to us a joyful heart and vouch safe a holy peace.,
yes to his chosen ones.*

*We implore that his grace with us abideth,
And redeem us, Lord, while e'er we are living.*

*Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.*

Prayer after Communion

Lord of the harvest,
with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in
creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of
the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence
for all that you give us and make us generous and wise
stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**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.**

The Blessing & Dismissal

Priest May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is the source of all goodness and growth,
pour his blessing upon all things created,
and upon you his children,
that you may use his gifts to his glory
and the welfare of all peoples;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit
be amongst you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Angelus

1. The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary: and she conceived by the Ho - ly
2. Behold the handmaid of the Lord: be it unto me a - cord - ing to thy
3. And the word was made flesh: and dwelt a - mong—

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Spirit. Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with Thee Blessed art thou among women and
word
us.

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blessed is the fruit of thy womb Je - sus; Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners now

19

and at the hour of our death, A - men Pray for us O Holy Mother of God

25 Response accompanied

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. (Collect) A - men.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the incarnation of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so by His Passion and Cross we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Mass is ended.

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation,
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

¶ Please **REMAIN STANDING** for the Recessional.

Choral Fantasia on Nun Danket – Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*After the service you are warmly invited to HARVEST
LIGHT LUNCH -
SOUP AND CHEESE in the Parish Hall.*