



Mass with
thanksgiving for
Pets



Diocese of
Guildford

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Order of Service

May God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
who is wonderful in all his works, be with you all.

All
And also with you.

**All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful
the Lord God made them all.**

**Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
he made their glowing colours,
he made their tiny wings:**

***All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful
the Lord God made them all.***

**The purple headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset and the morning**

***All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful
the Lord God made them all.***

**The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
he made them every one:**

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful
the Lord God made them all.*

**He gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God almighty,
who has made all things well:**

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful
the Lord God made them all.*

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)
Music: ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL
William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

WELCOME

God's family, come and praise our Creator!

**We come with eyes to see,
and ears to flap and hear.**

All creatures lift your voices in singing,
mewing and barking.

**We come to celebrate God's marvellous
creation!**

With dogs and cats, hamsters and snakes

We come to thank the Giver of all life!

All creatures that crawl, all sea serpents that swim
and feathered friends that fly

We come to praise our Creator!

FORGIVENESS

God called us in the beginning to be stewards of his creation, caring for and nurturing the world he made. As we come to ask for God's blessing on our animals we first ask for forgiveness for the times we have not made the best use of his blessings and gifts.

Heavenly Father

All **Forgive us and help us.**

For times we have hurt or teased animals in our care

All **Forgive us and help us.**

For the times we have neglected or forgotten to look after animals that depend upon us

All **Forgive us and help us.**

For the times we have seen animals in distress and done
nothing to help

All **Forgive us and help us.**

For the times we have failed to protect the world in
which animals live, here and across the world

All **Forgive us and help us.**

May the God of earth and heaven cleanse you of all sin
and draw you to his wonderful light.

All **Amen.**

THE LOURDES GLORIA

The verses of the canticle should either be *sung* by a cantor or choir, or be *said together* by the whole congregation.

Jean-Paul Lecot

Response

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o. Fine

1 Glory to God in the high - est,
 2 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Fa - ther,
 3 For you a - - lone are the Holy One,

and peace to his people on earth.
 Lord God, lone Lamb of God,
 you a - - are the Lord,

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Fa-ther,
 you take away the sins of the world : have mercy on us;
 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father: re -
 with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the

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praise you for your glo - - ry.
 - ceive our prayer.
 Father. A men.

COLLECT

O God, you have made us and all living things to form your family on earth. You are even more wonderful than what you have made. We thank you for giving us these pets who bring us joy. As you take care of us, may we take care of the creatures who trust us to look after them. By doing this, we share in your own love for all creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

BIBLE READINGS

A reading from the book of Genesis:

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner.

For the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

*All Lord of beauty, thine the splendour
Shown in earth and sky and sea
Burning sun and moonlight tender,
Hill and river, flower and tree:
Lest we fail our praise to render
Touch our eyes that they may see.*

*Lord of wisdom, whom obeying
Mighty waters ebb and flow,
While unhasting, undelaying,
Planets on their courses go:
In thy laws thyself displaying,
Teach our minds thyself to know.*

*Lord of life, alone sustaining
All below and all above,
Lord of love, by whose ordaining
Sun and stars sublimely move:
In our earthly spirits reigning,
Lift our hearts that we may love.*

*Lord of beauty, bid us own thee,
Lord of truth, our footsteps guide,
Till as Love our hearts enthrone thee,
And, with vision purified,
Lord of all, when all have known thee,
Thou in all art glorified.*

THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
St Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

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

HOMILY

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYERS

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts; for the beauty of the earth and the wonder of creation, in earth and sky and sea;

We thank you, Lord.

We pray for our King and our Parliament who seek to defend the right of all life and for all those who work in the service of the common good:

We thank you, Lord.

For all creatures that breathe, and move, and have life;
We thank you, Lord.

For the trust you have shown in giving into our care these, our pets;

We thank you, Lord.

For the work of Guide dogs for the Blind, RSPCA and all organisations which protect animals,

We thank you, Lord.

That each pet here may be treasured with care;

We thank you, Lord.

That we may love and honour all your works, O God;

We thank you, Lord.

We pray for all who have asked for our prayers, especially those who are anxious, alone, fearful or sick in body, mind or spirit. We give thanks for the peace and calm which animals can bring.

We give thanks for all who care for those who need love and compassion, human and animal alike.
We thank you, Lord.

We remember before God those whom we love and see no longer.

We commend to the Father's keeping.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord

All and may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace

All and rise in glory.

Priest And so aided by the prayers of Our Lady, on whose constant intercession we rely, we commend the world for which Christ gave His life saying,

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

¶ Please STAND for the Peace

The Peace

Christ is our peace.

We meet in His name and share His peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

During the hymn a collection will be taken for the work of the church and good causes. Consider using the Giving envelope so we can be tax efficient or do ask about using the cordless payment machine.

*All creatures of our God and King
lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, Alleluia!*

*Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice;
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Thou fire so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, Alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them his glory also show:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One;
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

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.**

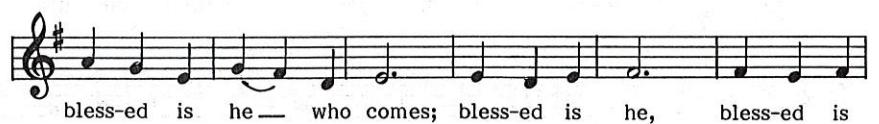
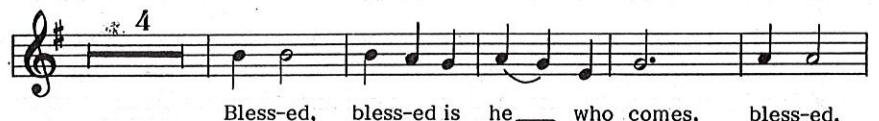
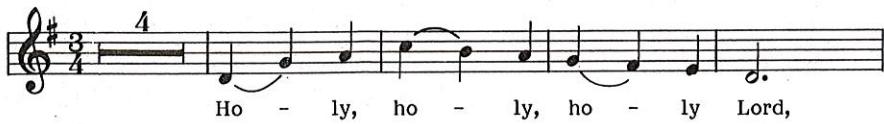
Life giving God,
your word speaks in the void, calling into being things
that are not, inviting us to share your work of creation.
We thank you for the ages long of gathering stars and
cooling earth, of life evolving and waking eyes of
wonder. We thank you for the creatures with whom
we share the world for their lives so different to our
own and the richness they reveal.

We thank you for the Son of Man, formed from Mary's
flesh and nurtured by her faith; he walked the growing
earth and proclaimed a fearless kingdom of bird and lily,
child and stranger, the beggar and the blind.

On the cross, he joined the labour of all creation's
yearning; in his rising, he hallowed all flesh to bear the
glory of God; he gives the brooding Spirit to bring to
birth a living hope. Therefore, with all that has life
through him with animals and angels and all who hope
for a new creation, we share the song of love which
sounds from all eternity:

433 Gathering Mass – Holy, holy

Paul Inwood



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¶ 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. ☩**

Let us pro - claim the mys - try of faith: Christ has
died, Christ is ris'n, Je - sus Christ will
come a - gain Ho - san. na, ho - san
na, ho - san na, in the high - est heav'n's! *Fine*

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,
Catherine, George, Benedict, Helena 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 At the Saviour's command and formed by Divine teaching we dare to say,

All **Our Father, which 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 them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.**

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.**

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Receiving Communion & Blessing of Pets

You are welcome to make your communion. Sidespeople will guide you.

Anyone baptised may receive the Eucharist.

Please bring your pets with you for a blessing.

Prayer after Communion

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

**We thank you for these creatures
who live alongside us**

**as our companions and friends;
for their loyalty, love and trust
which enrich our lives and give us joy.**

**Teach us the value of kindness,
the power of mercy,**

**and the strength of gentleness;
we ask this through Jesus Christ
whose love gives life to us all.**

**Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Amen.

The Blessing & Dismissal

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 the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The procession makes its way to the Statue of Our Lady in the north aisle.

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.

12

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.

Priest The Mass is ended.
 Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Please return this Order of Service to the Sidesmen at the back of church.

*Please do join us for coffee in the Parish Hall after Mass.
If you are new and would like to speak with the Rector do make
yourself known.*

Please take your copy of PEWS NEWS home with you.

