

# Tring Team Parish

St. John the Baptist, Aldbury - All Saints, Long Marston -

St Mary, Puttenham - St Peter & St Paul, Tring -

St Cross, Wilstone

## Christmas Morning Communion

### Introduction

I bring you good news of great joy

**A Saviour has been born to you.**

Unto us a child is born,

**unto us a son is given. Alleluia!**

### The last candle on the Advent wreath is lit

Jesus Christ is the light of the world

**a light no darkness can quench**

### The baby Jesus is placed in the crib

Gracious God,

though we have been slow to make our way to Bethlehem:

**Lord Jesus, be born in us today.**

Though we didn't notice others who were struggling on their journey:

**Lord Jesus, be born in us today.**

When we have forgotten the lonely and thought only of our own feasts:

**Lord Jesus, be born in us today.**

As we pray in our homes, our churches, our communities:

**Lord Jesus, be born in us today.**

As we kneel before your crib,

with angels and shepherds,

with Mary and Joseph,

with sheep and oxen:

**Lord Jesus, be born in us today. Amen.**

### Confession

Hear the words of the angel to Joseph: 'You shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'

Therefore let us seek the forgiveness of God.

*Silence is kept*

**O God our loving Father,**

**we are sorry for all the things we have done to make you sad;**

**we have sometimes been selfish, bad tempered or disobedient.**

**We are sorry for all the things we have failed to do;**

**for the work we did not finish,**

**the thank you we forgot to say,**

**the friends we did not help,**

**the quarrel we did not resolve.**

**For these and all our failings, forgive us;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself,  
that you may behold the glory of his Son, the Word made flesh,  
and be cleansed from all your sins through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Gloria (we stand)

**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, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder  
at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you,  
our Saviour and eternal God.

**Amen.**

First Reading (*please sit*)

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading - *please stand*

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

We Affirm Our Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

**I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

## Prayers

*This response may be used*

Holy God, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father

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

## The Peace

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

*We all share a sign of God's peace.*

## The Preparation of the Table

Word made flesh, life of the world, in your incarnation you embraced our poverty:  
by your Spirit may we share in your riches.  
**Amen.**

## 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.**

*The prayer continues and we join in saying*

**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.**

*The prayer continues and we join in saying*

Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died: Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

*The prayer continues and we join in saying*

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever.  
Amen.**

### The Breaking Of The Bread

We break the bread of life and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

### Agnus Dei

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

### The Giving of Communion

#### Prayer After Communion

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.**

### Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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