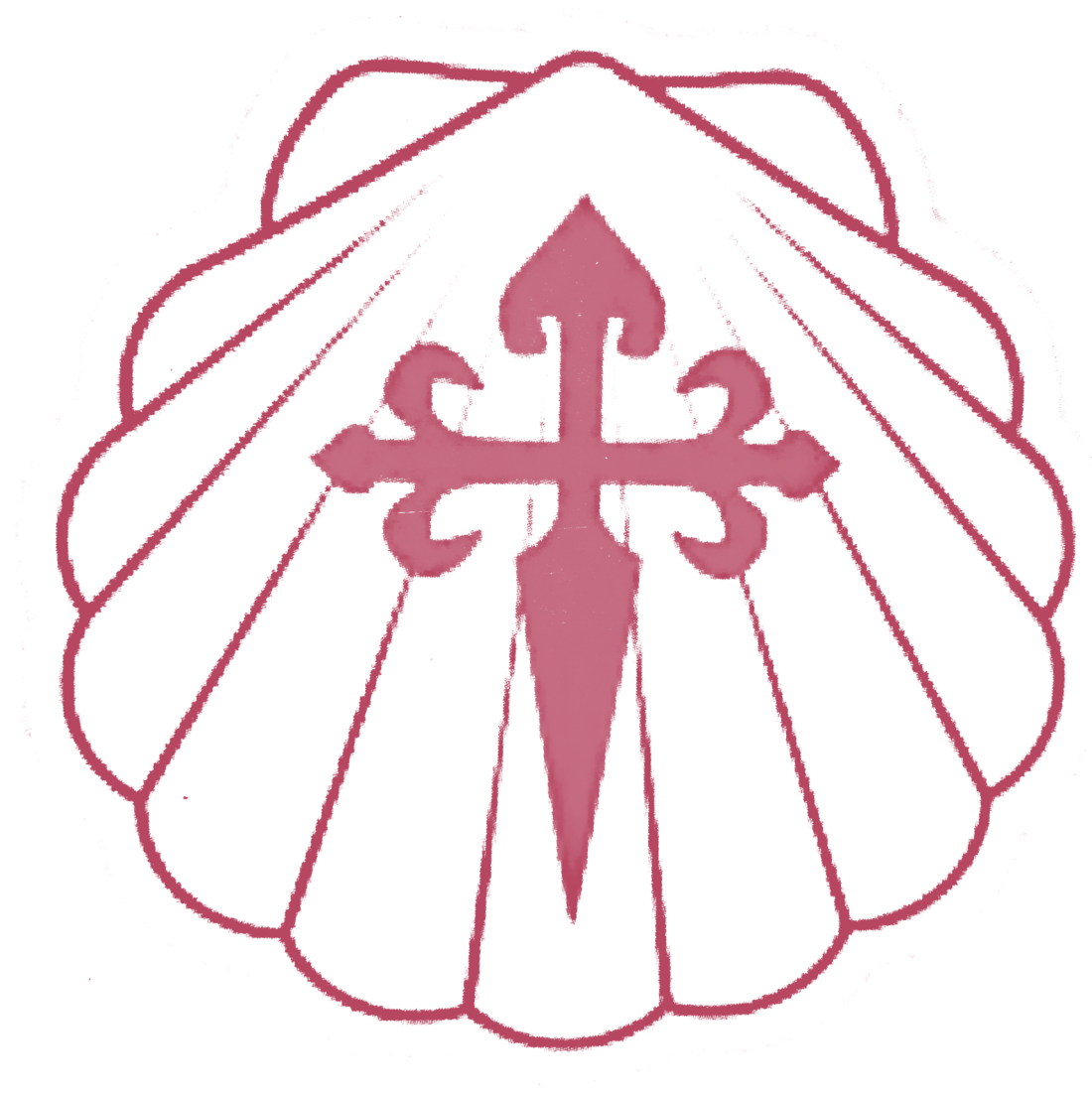


**ST JAMES CHURCH
MALDEN**

EVENSONG

SUNDAY 24TH MAY 2020

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION



WELCOME

Please take a moment to ensure your device's microphone is muted and enjoy the organ voluntary as we allow time for others to join the service.



HYMN – At the name of Jesus

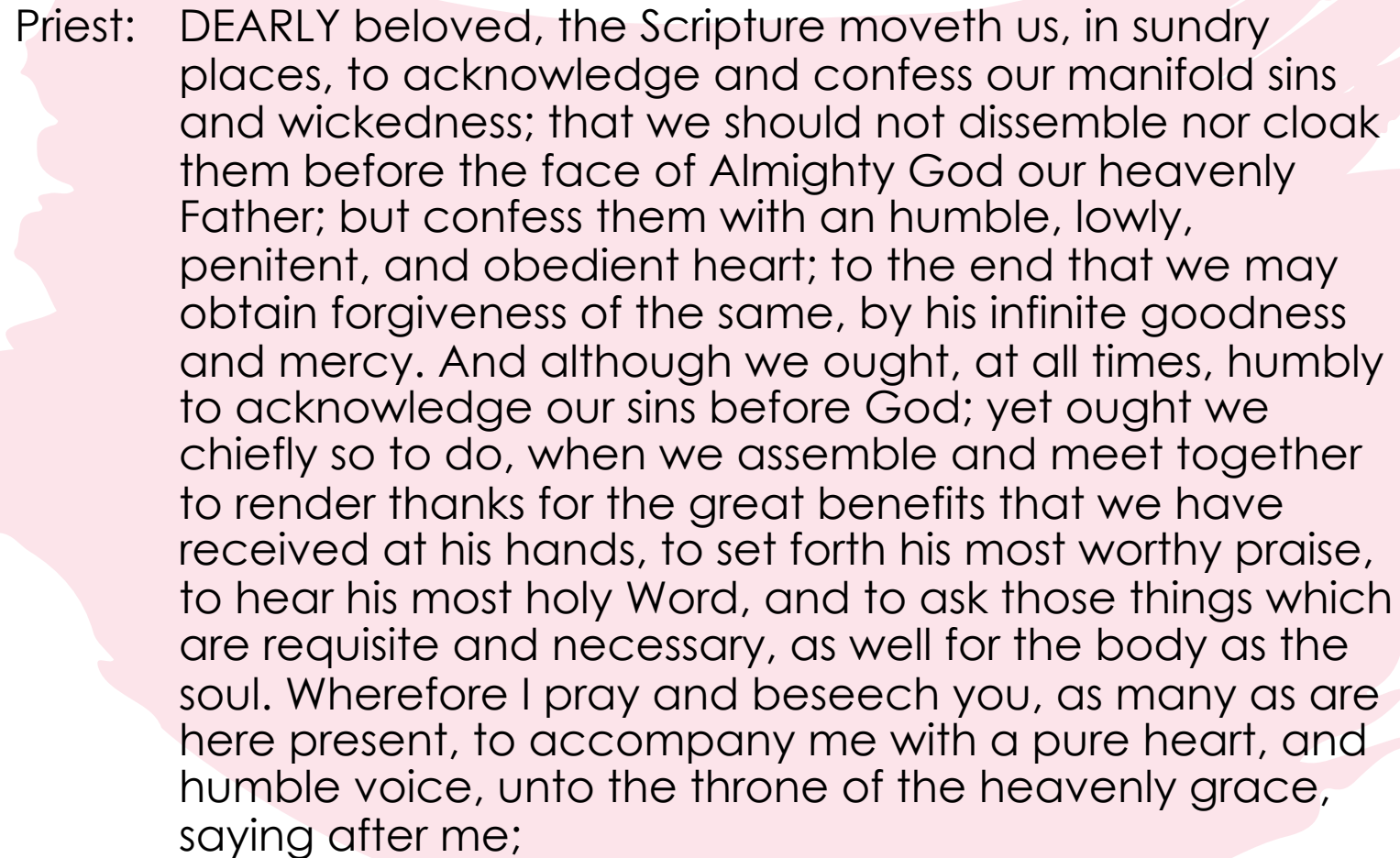
Please enjoy singing along (you will not be heard!)

1 O At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him King of glory now.
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

2 At his voice creation sprang at once to sight,
all the angel faces, all the hosts of light,
thrones and dominations, stars upon their way,
all the heavenly orders in their great array.

3 In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue
all that is not holy, all that is not true;
Crown him as your Captain in temptation's hour:
let his will enfold you in its light and power.

4 Surely this Lord Jesus shall return again,
with his Father's glory, with his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

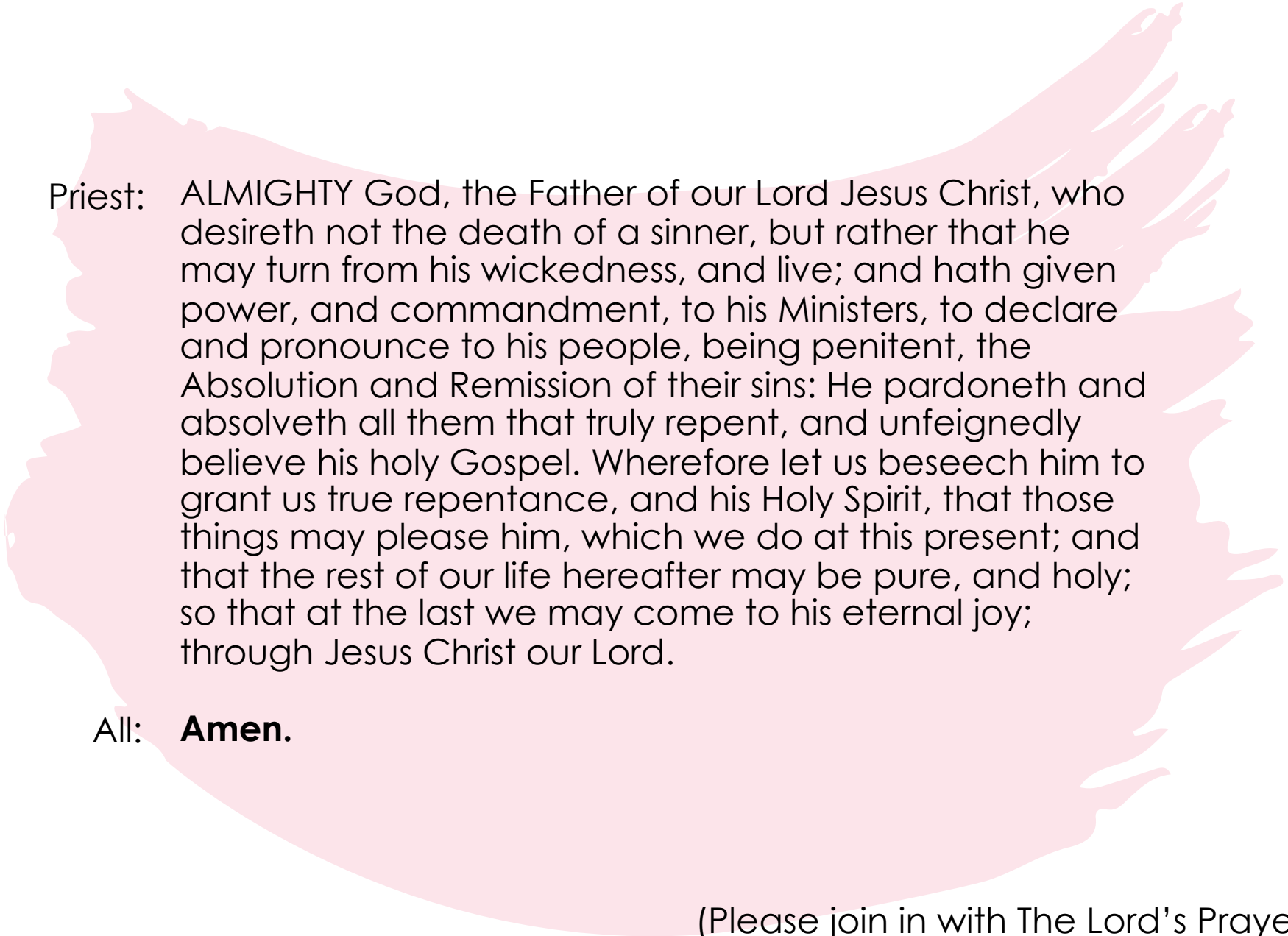


Priest: DEARLY beloved, the Scripture moveth us, in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me;

(Please join in saying...)

The Confession

All: ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father;
We have erred and strayed from thy ways like
lost sheep. We have followed too much the
devices and desires of our own hearts. We
have offended against thy holy laws. We
have left undone those things which we
ought to have done; And we have done
those things which we ought not to have
done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O
Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable
offenders. Spare thou them, O God, who
confess their faults. Restore thou them that
are penitent; According to thy promises
declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our
Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for
his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly,
righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy
holy Name.
Amen.



Priest: ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

(Please join in with The Lord's Prayer...)

The Lord's Prayer

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

(The musicians now sing The Preces...)

The Preces – set to music by Disraeli Brown

The

musicians: *O Lord, open thou our lips.*
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.
The Lord's Name be praised.

(Please join in singing the responsorial psalm...)

PSALM 47

Feel free to sing the response: *Sing praises to God, the King of all the earth*

The Response is sung by everyone
– both at the start
and also after each of the verses.

The musicians will sing the verses
shown below.

Response

Andrew Moore

Sing prais - es to God, sing prais - es to God, the king of all the earth.



1. ¹ Clap your hands, ¹ all you peoples;
shout to God with loud ¹ songs of joy.
² For the Lord, the Most ¹ High, is awesome,
a great king over ¹ all the earth.
2. ³ He subdued ¹ peoples under us,
and nations un ¹ der our feet.
⁴ He chose our heri ¹ tage for us,
the pride of Jacob ¹ whom he loves.
3. ⁵ God has gone up ¹ with a shout,
the Lord with the sound ¹ of a trumpet.

- ⁶ Sing praises to ¹ God, sing praises;
sing praises to our ¹ King, sing praises.
4. ⁷ For God is the king of ¹ all the earth;
sing praises ¹ with a psalm.
⁸ God is king ov ¹ er the nations;
God sits on his ¹ holy throne.
5. ⁹ The princes of the ¹ peoples gather
as the people of the ¹ God of Abraham.
For the shields of the earth be ¹ long to God;
he is high ¹ ly exalted.

Reader:

23 Now these are the last words of David:

The oracle of David, son of Jesse,
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,
the anointed of the God of Jacob,
the favourite of the Strong One of Israel:

² The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,
his word is upon my tongue.

³ The God of Israel has spoken,
the Rock of Israel has said to me:

One who rules over people justly,
ruling in the fear of God,

⁴ is like the light of morning,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

⁵ Is not my house like this with God?
For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,
ordered in all things and secure.

Will he not cause to prosper
all my help and my desire?

The Old Testament Lesson

2 Samuel 23: 1-5

(The musicians now sing The Magnificat...)

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;
For he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed;
The Almighty has done great things for me
And holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him,
In every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm
And has scattered the proud in their conceit,
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
And has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things
And the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel,
For he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he made to our fathers,
To Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

The musicians sing this
setting of
The Magnificat
by Alan Wilson

Reader:

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The New Testament Lesson

Ephesians 1: 15-23

(The musicians now sing
The Nunc Dimittis...)



Lord, now let your servant go in peace:
your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation
which you have prepared
in the sight of every people;

A light to reveal you to the nations
and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

The musicians sing this
setting of
The Nunc Dimittis
by Alan Wilson

All:

I BELIEVE in God
The Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting.
Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

(The musicians now sing The Responses...)

The Responses – music by Disraeli Brown

The
musicians:

*The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

*O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.*

*O Lord, save the Queen.
And mercifully hear us when we call
upon thee.*

*Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
And make thy chosen people joyful.*

*O Lord, save thy people.
And bless thine inheritance.*

*Give peace in our time, O Lord.
Because there is none other that
fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

*O God, make clean our hearts within us.
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

(Three collects follow)

Now glad of heart be everyone!
The fight is fought, the day is won,
The Christ is set upon his throne.

Who on the road was crucified,
Who rose again, as at this tide,
In glory to his Father's side.

Who baffled death and harrowed hell
And led the souls that loved him well
All in the light of lights to dwell;

To him we lift our heart and voice
And in his paradise rejoice
With harp and pipe and happy noise.

Then rise, all Christian folk, with me,
And carol forth the One in Three
That was and is to be.



Anthem

**This evening's anthem, sung by
the musicians, is a modern setting
of a 16th century German hymn:**

“Now glad of heart”

Music by Simon Lole

A light pink brushstroke background shape, resembling a paintbrush stroke, with a soft, irregular edge. The stroke is centered on the page and contains the text "The Prayers".

The Prayers

HYMN – Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

1 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
first-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Jesus, true and living Bread!

2 Here our humblest homage pay we
Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou art here, we ask not how.

3 Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
once for all when thou wast slain,
in its fullness undiminished
shall for evermore remain.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Cleansing souls from every stain.

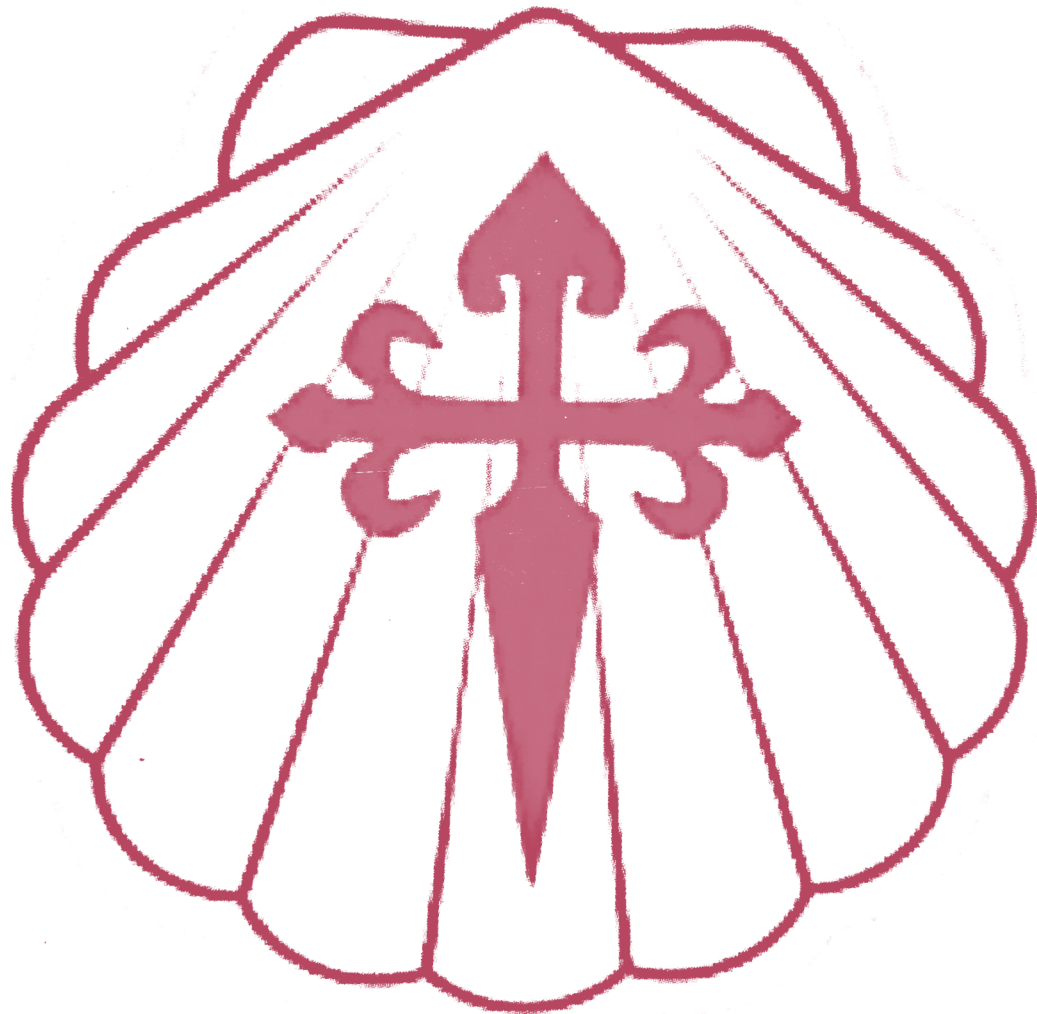
4 Life-imparting heavenly manna,
stricken rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
worship thee, the Lamb who died.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Risen, ascended, glorified!

A large, horizontal, pink brushstroke graphic with a textured, hand-painted appearance. The stroke is centered on a white background and contains the text 'The Blessing'.

The Blessing

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WITH US THIS EVENING



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