

The Church of St Mary Magdalene, Richmond
Richmond Team Ministry

Sunday 31 May, 2026 – Trinity Sunday

Mass setting: Rizza Mass of St Benedict

President: The Rev'd Robert Stanier; Our welcomer today is Anna

❖ **The Gathering**

Please stand as procession enters.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,

casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,

though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,

only thou art holy, there is none beside thee

perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;

holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Reginald Heber (1783-1826) NEH 146/CP 202

Greeting

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Grace, mercy and peace from God,

who is Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life be with you.

And also with you.

Please be seated for informal words of welcome

Prayers of Penitence

As we gather to offer our praises to the holy and undivided Trinity, and to worship in spirit and in truth, let us call to mind our sins.

You are the never-ceasing open gift of love; we turn in upon ourselves.

Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

You live beyond all centres of power; we enclose your grace.

Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**

You rejoice in a multitude of names; we try to pin you down.

Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

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.

Amen.

Gloria

Let us stand to praise God.

Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth, 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 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. Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Collect

Holy God, faithful and unchanging:

enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,

and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,

that we may truly worship you,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

❖ The Liturgy of the Word

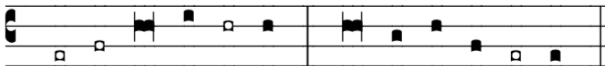
The First reading is taken from Isaiah (40:12-17, 27-end) read by *Maia*

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the LORD, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket and are accounted as dust on the scales: see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him: they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting god, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Psalm and Reading

Psalm 8



- 1 O Lord our go-ver^nor, • how glorious is your name in all the^world!
- 2 Your majesty above the heavens is praised • out of the mouths of babes at the breast.
- 3 You have founded a stronghold against your foes, • that you might still the enemy and the a-ven-ger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fin-gers, • the moon and the stars that you have or-dained,

5 What is man, that you should be mindful of him; • the son of man, that you should seek him out?

6 You have made him little lower than the an-gels • and crown him with glo-ry and hon-our.

7 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands • and put all things un-der his feet,

8 All sheep and ox-en, • even the wild beasts of the field,

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea • and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.

10 O Lord our go-ver-nor • how glorious is your name in all the world!

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians (13:11-end) *read by Maia*

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

**Thou, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and, where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

**2 Thou who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light.**

**3 Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.**

**4 Holy and blessed Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the world far and wide
let there be light.**

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Please stand

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (28:16-end)
Glory to you, O Lord.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Let us stand to declare our faith in God.

**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.

cf Ephesians 3

Prayers of Intercession

written and read by Anna

These or other responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy (or) Lord, hear us.

hear our prayer.

Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end

Merciful Father,

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

Amen.

❖ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand

The Peace

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.

Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.

Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer another a sign of peace.

We turn to people to share God's Peace.

Please remain standing for the Offertory Hymn during which the altar is prepared.

Offertory Hymn

**I bind unto myself today
the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.**

**2 I bind unto myself today
the virtues of the star-lit heaven,
the glorious son's life-giving ray,
the whiteness of the moon at even,
the flashing of the lightning free,
the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
the stable earth, the deep salt sea
around the old eternal rocks.**

**3 I bind unto myself today
the power of God to hold and lead,
his eye to watch, his might to stay,
his ear to hearken to my need.
The wisdom of my God to teach,
his hand to guide, his shield to ward;
the word of God to give me speech,
his heavenly host to be my guard.**

Choir only

**4 Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.**

**5 I bind unto myself the name,
the strong name of the Trinity;
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all nature hath creation;
eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
praise to the Lord of my salvation,
salvation is of Christ the Lord. Amen.**

ST. PATRICK 372-466; Tr Mrs CF ALEXANDER 1818-1895 CP 203

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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.

We praise you, Holy Trinity, mystery of being, and freedom of the world.
You opened your love to bring into existence a world other than yourself,
reflecting infinite beauty in matter's complex bonds and spirit's evolution.
You drew near to Abraham and Sarah as the unexpected guest;
you wrestled with Jacob and blessed him with wounds;
you dwelt as glory and wisdom with the people of your covenant.
Your jealous heart assumed our human story
and came among us in Word made flesh.
Through the scandal of Christ crucified and the restless Spirit of life,
you bring life to our diversity, you end our isolation,
you draw all our ways into the community of your grace.
Therefore we join the eternal song of power and glory shared,
of communion and integrity, of difference and delight:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest (x3)
Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord.
Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest (x3).**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.
On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat;
this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.
When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom
comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours,
O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

In whatever language we call our own,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

Please sit

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

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.**

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Agnus Dei

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

If you are a visitor, and receive communion in another church, whether it is in the Church of England or another denomination, please feel welcome to receive communion at this service. If you prefer, please come to receive a blessing instead, and bring this booklet as a sign to the priest. During the distribution of communion organ music will be played and the following anthem sung: Tchaikovsky Hymn to the Trinity.

*Blessed angel spirits offer praise undying,
Ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth.*

*Saints and Martyrs praise thy name,
Trinity life giving, Earth-borne sorrow leaving before Thy throne,
Ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth.*

*Father omnipotent, mighty in glory,
Christ, Thy Son, our saviour who died that we might live,
Holy Spirit, Mystic dove, with us evermore,
We praise thee, Blessed Trinity.*

*With the Angels' sacred hymn,
All thy might proclaiming,
With the mystic cherubim in songs of praise we join,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Join in songs of praise forever.
Hallelujah, Lord God of Sabaoth.*

Text: Cherubic Hymn trans. W.G. Rotheby

Music: Pyotr Illych Tchaikovsky 1840-1893

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

**Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father,
Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:
hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,
who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Banns of marriage are read and notices are shared.

❖ The Dismissal

Please stand

Dismissal Hymn

**How shall I sing that majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I?**

**2 Thy brightness unto them appears,
whilst I thy footsteps trace;
a sound of God comes to my ears,
but they behold thy face.
They sing, because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;
for where heaven is but once begun
there alleluias be.**

**3 Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
inflame it with love's fire;
then shall I sing and bear a part
with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their
gold,
Lord, treasure up my mite.**

**4 How great a being, Lord, is
thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.**

John Mason 1646-1694 CP466

The Blessing

May the peace of God which passes all understanding keep your heart and mind in the knowledge and love of God and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and those whom you love, now and always.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Voluntary

*Please be seated to listen to the voluntary
and then stay for coffee and chance to meet friends, old and new.
Today coffee is served by David & Esther*

Don't forget the retiring collection for the work of the Church – there is a plate for cash or envelope gifts and a card machine for contactless giving.

Next service at St Mary Magdalene: 31 May 6.30pm

Choral Evensong

Includes

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