



The Chapel of
The Transfiguration

Sung Eucharist

Trinity Sunday

Sunday 31st May 2026
7.30 am



This Gospel reading places the invocation of the Trinity at the heart of mission and ministry: mission belongs to God, and is the church's outworking of the divine revelation in the world. Baptism is a key part of this mission, as the way that new Christians are called into their new identity in God. Teaching follows on from baptism as new believers are formed individually and communally into the likeness of Christ, continuing his work in the world.



Order of Service

*The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.*

If you are unable to stand at any point during the service, please feel free to remain seated.

The service is sung by the Chapel Choir

Please remain silent before the service

The Gathering

*Please remain seated as the Choir enters and takes their place
As the Servers and Clergy enter and move to the sanctuary please stand and the Choir sings*

Introit

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 above me, Christ beneath me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

Words: St. Patrick's Breastplate

Music: Sir John Rutter CBE (b.1945)

The Celebrant sings

Let us proceed in peace

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Processional 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.**

**I bind this day to me for ever
by power of faith, Christ's incarnation;
his baptism in Jordan river;
his death on cross for my salvation:
his bursting from the spiced tomb;
his riding up the heavenly way;
his coming at the day of doom;
I bind unto myself today.**

**I bind unto myself the power
Of the great love of Cherubim;
The sweet 'Well done' in judgement hour;
The service of the Seraphim,
Confessors' faith, Apostles' word,
The Patriarchs' prayers, the Prophets' scrolls,
All good deeds done unto the Lord,
And purity of virgin souls.**

**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 heav'nly host to be my guard.**

**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.**

Remain standing. The Celebrant continues

Greeting

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

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

“And one seraph called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is
the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’

Isaiah 6.3

Blessed be God
Blessed by God’s reign for ever. Amen.

All kneel and the Lay Assistant continues

Prayer of Preparation

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.**

Prayers of Penitence

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy
Spirit. Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all
slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

Silence is kept

Most merciful God,
**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in thought,
word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

The Choir sings

Kyrie Eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy</i>
Christe Eleison	<i>Christ, have mercy</i>
Kyrie Eleison	<i>Lord, have mercy</i>

The Celebrant gives the Absolution

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.

All stand to sing

Gloria

Glory be to God on high,
**and in earth peace, good will towards men,
We praise thee we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee
for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only begotten Son,
Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy, thou only
art the Lord: thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, art most high
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Silence is kept.

The Lay Assistant continues

Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit

Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God,
who hast given unto us thy servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity,
and in the power of the divine Majesty to worship the Unity:
Keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1–2.4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, ‘Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.’ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, ‘Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.’ And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, ‘Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.’ And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, ‘Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, ‘Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.’ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.’ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.’ And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, ‘Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.’

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens,

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Remain seated

Psalm 8

O Lord our governor,
how glorious is your name in all the world!

**Your majesty above the heavens is praised
out of the mouths of babes at the breast.**

You have founded a stronghold against your foes,
that you might still the enemy and the avenger.

**When I consider your heavens, the work of your
fingers, the moon and the stars that you have
ordained,**

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

**You have made him little lower than the angels
and crown him with glory and honour.**

You have given him dominion over the works of your hands
and put all things under his feet,

**All sheep and oxen,
even the wild beasts of the field,**

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

**O Lord our governor,
how glorious is your name in all the world!**

***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.***

New Testament Reading
2 Corinthians 13. 11–13

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

All stand to sing

Gradual Hymn



**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all life thou givest—to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but naught changeth thee.**

**Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.**

Words: Foundling Hospital Collection (1774)

Tune: St. Denio
Welsh Traditional Melody

Remain standing and face the Gospel

Gospel Reading

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All repeat:



Choir: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.

Alleluia.

The Lord be with you

And with thy spirit

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew, 28th Chapter, beginning at the 16th verse

Glory be to thee, O Lord

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they 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.”

At the end,

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Remain standing until invited to be seated

Sermon

given by

Rev. Suren Watson

Assistant Chaplain

All stand to sing

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in one God,

**the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten
of his Father before all worlds,**

**God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
By whom all things were made:
Who for us men, and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the
Virgin Mary, and was made man,**

**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory to judge
both the quick and the dead:
Whose Kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceedeth from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son together is
worshiped and glorified, who spake by the Prophets.
And we believe One Holy Catholic
and Apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism
for the remission of sins.
And we look for the Resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

All kneel or sit

Prayers of Intercession

during which the following response is used

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

Greeting of 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.

Preparation of the Table

Offertory Hymn

*during which the bread, wine and water are placed on the altar,
and a collection is taken for the work of the chapel*



**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?**

**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.**

**Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
in flame 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.**

**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.**

Words: John Mason (c.1645–94)

Tune: Coe Fen
Kenneth Naylor (1931–91)

Remain standing. The celebrant invites all to say,

**All things come from you
and for your own do we give you,
Creator and Lord of the universe,
ever adored by the holy Angels.
Accept these gifts of bread and wine
and these offerings which we present at your
holy table and with them the dedication of our lives
for your service, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit

Lift up your hearts
We lift them up unto the Lord

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God
It is meet and right so to do

It is very meet, right, and our bounden
duty, that we should at all times, and in all
places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord,
Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

And now we give thee thanks, most gracious God,
holy and undivided Trinity:
because thou hast given us the light of the knowledge of God
in the face of Jesus Christ,
that we may grow into thy likeness,
and be changed from glory to glory.

Therefore with Angels, and Archangels,
and with all the company of heaven, we
laud and magnify thy glorious Name,
evermore praising thee, and saying:

The Choir sings

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee,
O Lord most high.**

All kneel

Holy indeed are you Almighty Father eternal Sovereign, who in
all your gifts and works manifests your holiness to all humanity.
Holy is your Only Begotten Son Jesus Christ, through whom you
did order the universe. And Holy is your ever blessed Spirit who
reveals all things, even the deep things of you O God. Just as you
yourself are holy, so also you created us in your own image that
we might live in holy fellowship.

And when we disobeyed your commandments, you did not abandon us but you guided us as a merciful Father; you revealed yourself to us through the Sages, the Law and the Prophets, and through your redeeming acts in history, and when the time was ripe, you came among us through your Son Jesus, whom you sent into the world to share our human nature in order that the Lord Jesus might revive your own image in us.

**Generous God, Jesus loves us
and sacrificed himself for us
and heralded the new life
in breaking bread with companions.**

On the very night that he was betrayed to suffer death upon the cross for us, the Lord Jesus took bread and when he had given thanks to you Almighty Father, 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 manner after supper, he took the cup also, and after giving thanks, he gave it to them saying:

Drink, all of you from this,

for this is my blood of the new covenant

which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Lord Jesus Christ is Saviour

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

And so Father, we present this bread and cup in communion with your whole church, in fellowship with Blessed Mary, St. Thomas and all the saints, and in union with all creation we celebrate your Son's death and victory; giving thanks for all that Christ has done for us; for preparing us for all that lies ahead, we receive the benefits of Christ's life, death, resurrection and session in glory, and we eagerly await the heavenly banquet after Christ's coming again.

And we entreat you most merciful God to hear us and send your All Holy Spirit on us and on these your gifts, that they being blessed and hallowed by that life giving power, may be for us the Body and Blood of your most dearly loved Son, to the end that we receiving the same may be sanctified and filled with your grace and heavenly blessing.

**Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
make us one body in Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of
the Holy Spirit all honour and glory be to you
Almighty Father, world without end.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The bread which we break
is it not a sharing in the body of Christ?

**We being many are one bread,
one body for we all partake of the one bread.**

Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we now pray

All sing

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 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.**

The Celebrant continues

The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

The gifts of God for the people of God

The Choir sings

Benedictus

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Deep Silence

The Choir sings

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world
Grant us thy peace.

Giving of Communion

The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion, saying

Draw near with faith and take this Holy Sacrament
to your comfort.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*Please sit. If you receive communion in your own church,
you are welcome to do so here.*

During communion please remain seated or kneel to sing

Communion Hymn



**Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.**

**King of Kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture –
in the Body and the Blood:
He will give to all the faithful
his own Self for heavenly Food.**

**Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.**

**At his feet the six-winged Seraph;
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Lord most high.**

Words: Orthodox liturgy of St James of Jerusalem, 4 cent.

Music: Picardy
Traditional French Melody

After communion all kneel as the Celebrant says

Prayers after Communion

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious.

God's mercy endures forever.

"If you know me, you will know my Father also.
From now on you do know him and have seen him.
Whoever has seen me has seen the Father."

John 14.7,9

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through Christ we offer you ourselves
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 Dismissal

The Celebrant continues

Blessing

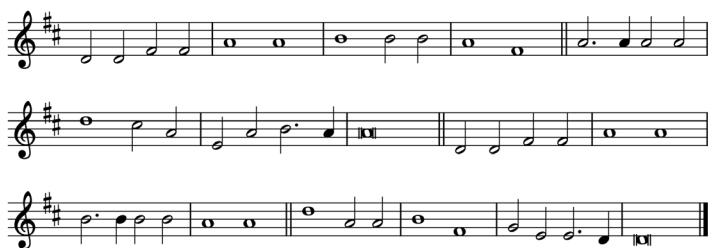
God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side,
and guide you in truth and peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father,
the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

All stand

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Recessional Hymn

during which the Clergy and Servers depart



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!

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.

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.

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! Amen.

Words : Bishop R. Heber (1783–1826)

Tune : Nicaea
J.B. Dykes (1823–1876)

Remain standing as the Choir moves out, then sit or leave quietly at this point

Sunday Fellowship

You are all invited to a time of fellowship on the chapel steps

Sunday 14th June

7.30 am

Music Sunday

Sung Eucharist with the Choirs of
S. Thomas' College, Mount Lavinia and
Bishop's College, Colombo
All are welcome to attend

9.00 am

The Annual General Meeting of the Chapel.
All are encouraged to attend.

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