

Festal Eucharist

on

All Saints' Sunday



Sunday 10.30 am

Welcome to St Edmundsbury Cathedral

All Saints' Sunday

The feast of All Saints began in the earliest centuries as Christians celebrated the witness of those whose lives and faith inspired and excited others to holiness.

Today we celebrate all those people in whose lives the Church as a whole has seen the grace of God powerfully at work. We give thanks for that grace and for the wonderful ends to which it shapes human life; we are encouraged by the example of the saints as we recall that sanctity may grow in the ordinary circumstances, as well as the extraordinary crises, of human living; and we remember that, through our baptism, we are all members of the company of saints, living and departed.

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The Order of Service

¶ The Gathering

Everyone remains seated for

The Welcome

After the welcome, everyone stands and the following is said.

We meet in the name of the

▼ Father. and of the Son. and of the Holy Spirit.

ΔII Amen.

Everyone remains standing for

The Processional Hymn

Everyone remains standing as the President gives

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

AΙΙ and also with you.

Words of introduction may be given, leading into

President Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord!

Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,

in whose victory the angels rejoice

and glorify the Son of God.

The Prayers of Penitence

Deacon Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,

let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so

closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Hebrews 12.1

Everyone sits or kneels. Silence is kept.

Deacon Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all

and your mercy is over all your creation:

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your kingdom:

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

President Almighty God,

who in Jesus Christ has given you a kingdom

that cannot be destroyed, forgive you

your sin,

open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will,

and give you the joy of the heavenly kingdom

with all the saints for ever.

All Amen.

Everyone stands as the choir sings

The Gloria in Excelsis

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, 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,

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe; Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanctus; tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus Jesu Christe, Cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen

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, 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 Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

Everyone remains standing for

The Collect

President

Let us pray that we may strengthened by our communion with all the saints.

A short time of silent prayer follows. Then,

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

All sit for

The Readings

Either one or two readings from Scripture precede the Gospel reading. At the end of each, the reader says

For the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

All stand for

The Gospel Acclamation

Everyone remains standing as the Gospel Book is carried to the centre of the nave, and everyone turns to face it.

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

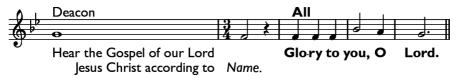
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Choir You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,

a holy nation, God's own people,



The Gospel Reading



At the end



The Sermon

The sermon is followed by a short period of quiet for reflection.

Everyone stands for

The Creed

All

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Deacon

United in the company of all the faithful and looking for the coming of the kingdom, let us offer our prayers to God, the source of all life and holiness.

Everyone sits or kneels for

The Prayers of Intercession

Holy God,

as we give thanks for all your saints, living and departed, strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit, empower us with all your gifts, that we may be the people you would have us be, following in the path of your Son, our light and life.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Give to the world and its peoples the justice and peace that come from above, and the will to care for your creation and one another, so that all may find Christ's way of freedom and life.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Bless Joanne our Bishop and all ministers of your Church, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Bring strength to all who witness to your love in the service of the poor, the needy, the sick, the dying; and all who seek to bring light to those in darkness.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Touch and heal all who suffer, that, strengthened by Christ's presence, and surrounded by the saints, their sorrow may be turned to joy. We pray particularly for...

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Remember in your mercy all those gone before us, especially... Keep in your love and power your servants on earth, guide us to your kingdom and grant us your peace.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for the whole company of your saints in glory, with whom we join our prayers and praises; by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love.

Merciful Father,

All Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour lesus Christ. Amen.

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Everyone stands as the President leads

The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

Ephesians 2.19,17

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Offertory Hymn

During which, the altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it. At the end of the hymn, everyone remains standing for

The Taking of the Bread and Wine

President To you we come, Father of lights,

with angels and saints,

where heaven and earth unite.

May Jesus meet us in the breaking of bread.

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The President and people sing the Sursum Corda.



President

always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks, most gracious God, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses and glorified in the assembly of your saints.

The glorious company of apostles praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. We, your holy Church, acclaim you. In communion with angels and archangels, and with all who served you on earth and worship you now in heaven, we raise our voice to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and singing:

Choir

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Holy, holy, holy Lord Dominus Deus sabaoth.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,

Pleni sunt coeli et terra heaven and earth are full

gloria tua. of thy glory:

Hosanna in excelsis. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Benedictus qui venit Blessed is he that cometh in nomine Domini. in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

President

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.

Deacon **All** Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

President

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 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



Everyone sits or kneels as the consecrated bread and wine are raised in the sight of the people and the Sanctus bell is rung.

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon With saints and martyrs through the ages,

let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

All 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

President We break this bread

to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body,

because we all share in one bread.

The Invitation to Communion

President Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Spiritual Communion

The prayer for Spiritual Communion is offered here for those joining by livestream. Spiritual Communion is the historic practice in the church for anyone who cannot receive the bread and wine physically.

The Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata O Lamb of God, that takest away the mundi, miserere nobis.

sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy beace.

The Communion

Please follow the directions of the Cathedral wardens.

If you are used to receiving communion in your own church, whatever your Christian tradition, you are warmly invited to receive the sacrament today.

If you require gluten-free communion bread, which is available at the north altar rail, please indicate to the minister.

If kneeling at the altar rail is difficult for you, a standing station is available.

Anyone wishing to receive a blessing is also welcome: please carry this order of service with you as an indication to the ministers.

If you wish you receive prayers for healing, and anointing, please go to the Lady Chapel after receiving Communion.

During the distribution of Communion, the choir sings

The Motet

The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Everyone sits or kneels as silence is kept.

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.

¶ The Dismissal

Everyone stands for

The Blessing

President The Lord be with you and also with you.

May God,

who kindled the fire of God's love in the hearts of the saints,

pour upon you the riches of God's grace.

All Amen.

May God give you joy in their fellowship

and a share in their praises.

All Amen.

May God strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness

and to come to the full radiance of glory.

All Amen.

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 Final Hymn

Everyone remains standing for

The Dismissal

Deacon Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth,

go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Everyone remains standing as the procession departs and the organist plays

The Organ Voluntary

Refreshments are served after the service to which you are very warmly invited.