



Saint Matthew's Church  
Big Lamp ~ Summerhill Street  
Newcastle

**Text of the Mass for Sunday XXIV – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

*As the priest enters the church, the following is sung:*

Give peace to those who wait for You and Your prophets will proclaim as You deserve: hear the prayers of Your servant of Your people Israel. I rejoiced when it was said unto me: "Let us go to the House of the Lord." 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.

Give peace &c

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

*And with thy spirit.*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

We have sinned through our thoughts and through our thoughtlessness: Kyrie eleison.

*Kyrie eleison.*

We have sinned through our words and through our silence: Christe eleison.

*Christe eleison.*

We have sinned through our deeds and through our inaction: Kyrie eleison.

*Kyrie eleison*

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins and bring us to life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*During the Gloria in excelsis, the Altar, the symbol of God's Presence, may be honoured with incense.*

Glory be to God on high.

And in earth peace, goodwill 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, Jesus 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.

Let us pray:

Make us one, O God, in acknowledging Jesus the Christ. As we proclaim Him by our words, let us follow Him in our works; give us strength to take up the cross and courage to lose our lives for His sake, Who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, throughout all ages world without end.

Amen.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I turned not backward. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been confounded; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my supplication; ♦  
because he inclined his ear to me on the day I called to him.  
The snares of death encompassed me; the pains of hell took hold of  
me; ♦ by grief and sorrow was I held.  
Then I called upon the name of the Lord: ♦ ‘O Lord, I beg you,  
deliver my soul.’  
Gracious is the Lord and righteous; ♦ our God is full of compassion.  
The Lord watches over the simple; ♦ I was brought very low and he  
saved me.  
For you have delivered my soul from death, ♦ my eyes from tears  
and my feet from falling.  
I will walk before the Lord ♦ in the land of the living.

A reading from the Epistle General of Saint James.

What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Can his faith save him? If a brother or sister is ill-clad and in lack of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what does it profit? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

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But some one will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*The Gospel book is carried to the Lectern:*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The only things of which I can boast is the Cross of my Lord, through Whom the world is crucified to me and I to the world. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Christ's Presence in the words of the Gospel may be honoured with incense.*

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

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?" And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Eli'jah; and others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." And he charged them to tell no one about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men." And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*A homily may follow.*

God has called us in Christ and gathered us here today; in response to His call, let us lay before Him the needs of the Church and the world:

Let us ask the Lord to turn His ear to our appeal for the Church:

[Petitions]

Gracious God, grant that Your Church may prove our living Faith by renouncing ourselves and following Christ: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to turn His ear to our appeal for the world:

[Petitions]

Gracious God, give peace and justice to the peoples of the world that all may gather under Your protection: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to turn His ear to our appeal for the communities around us:

[Petitions]

Gracious God, unite us all in our common humanity that we may flourish amidst reciprocal care and concern: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to turn His ear to our appeal for all who suffer:

[Petitions]

Gracious God, show Your mercy to all in need that in Your compassion they may find strength to carry their burdens: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

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Let us ask the Lord to turn His ear to our appeal for those who have died:

[Petitions]

Gracious God, keep our souls from death and grant to those who have passed through the grave that they may walk in Your eternal Presence: Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

Let us ask the Lord to turn His ear to our private appeals: ... Lord, hear us ... [Lord, graciously hear us.](#)

In union with our Lady, Saint Matthew, Saint Philip, Saint Cyprian, Saint Augustine, Saint John Chrysostom, Saint Ninian and all the saints, we make our prayers not of any merit of our own, but trusting in the love and compassion of Jesus Christ our Lord.

[Amen.](#)

Let the Peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one Body, you are called to peace.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

[And with thy spirit.](#)

*As the bread and wine are brought to the Altar and prepared for the Mass, the following is sung:*

Here, while the Cherubim within the veil, adore the blest, life-giving Trinity, we in earth's worship echoing their part, hymn the thrice-holy in their company. So let all earthly cares be laid aside, that we may welcome Him Who draweth nigh, the King of Glory entering His courts, girt by the hidden armies of the sky. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*The preparation of the Altar continues; incense may be used to honour the place where Christ will become present. At the end:*

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty. All that is in Heaven and earth is Thine:

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own do we give Thee.

Holy God, accept all we offer this day, that we may be reconciled at this altar and bring wholeness to our broken world; in and through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*The priest begins the great prayer of thanksgiving:*

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 our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,

holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,

for Christ has risen from the tomb

and scattered the darkness of death

with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,

unfolds for us your word,

and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.

And though the night will overtake this day

you summon us to live in endless light,

the never-ceasing Sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels

and with all the heavenly host,

we proclaim your glory

and join their unending song of praise:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high.

+ Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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 Apostles  
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.

*The priest holds up the consecrated Host for the people to see.*

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.

*The priest holds up the chalice of consecrated wine for the people to see.*

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.

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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 [*N and*] all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
By Whom and with Whom and in Whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

*Amen.*

Instructed by saving precepts and taught by divine example, we are bold  
to say:

Our Father,  
*Who art in Heaven,  
hallowed by 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.*

*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.*

*The priest holds up the consecrated elements and invites people to receive Holy Communion:*

+ Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him, Who takes away the sin of the world; happy are they who are called to His Supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive You; but only say the Word and my soul will be healed.

The cup that we bless is a Communion with the Blood of Christ: and the Bread that we break is a Communion with the Body of Christ.

*Holy Communion follows.*

*After Holy Communion:*

Let us pray:

Almighty God, You have taught us through Your Son that love is the fulfilling of the Law: grant that we, who have shared these holy things, may love You with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; in and through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*Notices may follow.*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds 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 among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Mass is ended. Go in the Peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

O, higher than the Cherubim, more glorious than the Seraphim, lead their praises, alleluia! Thou, bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious magnify the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, (alleluia, alleluia,) alleluia!

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth Your Grace into our hearts, we beseech You O Lord, that as we have known the Incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so by His Cross and Passion, we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection; in and through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

[Amen.](#)