# St Mary's Church, Walkley



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# The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

# Eucharist with the Baptism of Zoë, Asrai and Toby 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Walkley

President: The Revd Canon Dr Alan Billings Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Alan Billings Churchwarden on duty: Janet

#### The Gathering and Opening Hymn

We stand and we sing the opening hymn.

PresidentIn the name of the Father,<br/>and of the Son,<br/>and of the Holy Spirit.AllAmen.

The Greeting

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

All and also with you.

We remain standing and we sing.

## The Gloria in Excelsis

All Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth, Glory to God in the highest, 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. Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth, Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth,

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, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive, receive our prayer.

Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth, Glory to God in the highest, peace to his people on earth,

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. In the glory of God the Father, Amen.

## The Collect

President Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit you give to your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit, that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit now and for ever.

All Amen.

We sit.

# The Reading: Romans 12. 9 - 16

*Reader* A reading from the Letter to the Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.

ReaderThis is the word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

# The Gradual Hymn

We stand and we sing. During the hymn we turn to face the processional cross as the book of the Gospels moves to the middle of the people.

#### The Gospel Reading: Matthew 28. 16 - 20

MinisterAlleluia, alleluia.Go out into the whole world<br/>and make disciples of all the nations.AllAlleluia.

Matthew 28.19

MinisterHear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.AllGlory 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.'

MinisterThis is the Gospel of the Lord.AllPraise to you, O Christ.

#### The Sermon

#### The Liturgy of Baptism

President	Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us
	that to enter the kingdom of heaven
	we must be born again of water and the Spirit,
	and has given us baptism as the sign and seal of this new birth.
	Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean.
	Here we are clothed with Christ,
	dying to sin that we may live his risen life.
	As children of God, we have a new dignity
	and God calls us to fullness of life.
All	Amen.

#### **The Presentation**

President Do you wish to be baptized?

Zoë, Asrai Ido.

& Toby

President We thank God for Zoë, Asrai and Toby who have come to be baptized today.
 Christ loves them and welcomes them into his Church. Will you support them on their journey of faith?
 All We will.

# The Decision

The president addresses Zoë, Asrai and Toby, their parents, godparents and sponsors.

President We all wander far from God and lose our way: Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home. In baptism we respond to his call. Therefore I ask:

President Do you turn to Christ?

Baptism I turn to Christ.

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President Do you repent of your sins?

Baptism I repent of my sins.

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President Do you renounce evil?

Baptism I renounce evil.

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# The Signing with the Cross

The president makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of Zoë, Asrai and Toby, saying

- President Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.
- President Do not be ashamed of Christ. You are his forever.
- All Stand bravely with him against all the powers of evil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

President May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

#### All Amen.

President Faithful and loving God,

bless those who care for Zoë, Asrai and Toby and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith. Pour upon them your healing and reconciling love, and protect their homes from all evil. Fill them with the light of your presence and establish them in the joy of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

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Water is poured into the font.

#### The Prayer over the Water

President All	Praise God who made heaven and earth, who keeps his promise forever.
President All	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.
President	We praise you, loving Father, for the gift of your Son Jesus. He was baptised in the River Jordan, where your Spirit came upon him and revealed him as the Son you love. He sent his followers to baptise all who turn to him. Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water, that those who are baptised in it may be cleansed in the water of life, and, filled with your Spirit, may know that they are loved as your children, safe in Christ forever.
All	Amen.

We stand.

#### The Profession of Faith

President Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with Zoë, Asrai and Toby the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

President Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

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 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

President Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

We sit.

#### The Baptism

*President* Zoë, Asrai, Toby, is this your faith? *Zoë, Asrai* This is my faith.

& Toby

President Zoë, Asrai, Toby, I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

President May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.
 All Amen.

All Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified. Remain faithful to your calling, as God remains faithful to you. Amen.

#### The Welcome

President There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
 Zoë, Asrai and Toby,
 by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.
 All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
 we are children of the same beavenly Eather.

we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

> The congregation greets the newly baptised. We sit or kneel.

#### The Prayers of Intercession

Intercessor Jesus, Lord of your Church, All in your mercy hear us.

Or another response is used.

Intercessor Merciful Father, All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

We stand.

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

#### The Peace

President We are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith, heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

*All* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*Minister* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We remain in our seats, sharing the peace through waves to those around us.

# The Offertory Hymn

We stand and we sing as the altar is prepared. If you would like to support St Mary's, donations can be made after the service at the back of church using the collection plate or contactless card giving station.

#### The Eucharistic Prayer

*President* The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us. All President Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. All President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All It is right to give thanks and praise. *President* It is indeed right and good, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise through your servant, Jesus Christ our Lord. At his baptism he was revealed as your beloved Son. Coming among us as one who serves, he taught us that the greatest in your kingdom are those who make themselves least and the servants of all. Although he was their teacher and their Lord, he washed the feet of his disciples and commanded us to do the same, that we might reveal the power of your love, made perfect in our human weakness. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing: Cantor Holy Holy Holy Lord All Holy Holy Holy Lord God of power and God of might Cantor God of power and God of might All Cantor Heaven and earth are full of your glory All Heaven and earth are full of your glory Hosanna in the highest Cantor Hosanna in the highest All Blessed is he who comes Cantor All Blessed is he who comes Cantor In the name of the Lord most High All In the name of the Lord most High Cantor Hosanna All Hosanna Cantor Hosanna All Hosanna

Cantor Hosanna in the highest All Hosanna in the highest *President* Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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. All To you be glory and praise for ever. 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. To you be glory and praise for ever. All Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord. Minister Praise to you, Lord Jesus: Cantor Dying you destroyed our death Dying you destroyed our death All Rising you restored our life Cantor All **Rising you restored our life** Cantor Lord Jesus come All Lord Jesus come Cantor Lord Jesus come All Lord Jesus come Cantor Come again in glory Come again in glory All

*President* Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. All To you be glory and praise for ever. Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise: All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

We sit or kneel.

# The Lord's Prayer

President As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for 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 Giving of Communion

President God's holy gifts

for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

> The president will give instructions on how to come forward for communion and on returning to our seats. All are welcome to come to front for the bread and wine or a blessing. If you would like a blessing please keep your arms folded across your chest at you approach the front.

We are now able to receive the wine as well as the bread. The president will dip the wafer in the wine before giving it to you. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask at the altar. During the distribution we sing and music is played.

# The Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

- All Amen.
- All Faithful God,

in baptism you have adopted us as your children, made us members of the body of Christ and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom: we thank you that in this Eucharist you renew your promises within us, empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve, and send us out as disciples of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **The Notices**

We stand.

# The Blessing

President The God of all grace, who called us to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle us in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always.

All Amen.

# The Giving of a Lighted Candle

President God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light.
 Zoë, Asrai and Toby, you have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.
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All Shine as a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father.

# The Closing Hymn

We remain standing and we sing during which we turn to face the back of church as the robed ministers and newly baptised process.

# The Dismissal

MinisterGo in the light and peace of Christ.AllThanks be to God.

Coffee and tea are served after the service, all are welcome.

If you would like to provide feedback on this service please speak a member of the Worship Group, Kath, Catherine, Janet or David. You can also email us worship@stmaryswalkley.co.uk

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