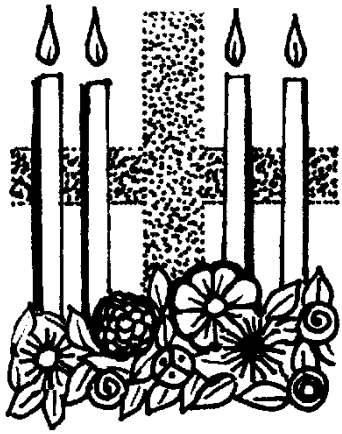
ST MARY
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The Parish Church of Saint Mary Portsea



Rutter Requiem Mass for All Souls Day

Monday 2nd November 2026

Diocese of Portsmouth

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Welcome to St Mary's

Welcome to St Mary's for this service. The building is equipped with a hearing loop system, to take advantage of this please switch your hearing device to the T position. Toilets will be found in under the Tower. If you or someone nearby would find it useful large print copies of this service are available from the stewards.

In this service we remember those whom we have loved but see no longer, those who have inspired us in our own lives and on our journey of faith. We gather to give thanks for their lives and to pray for them; that they might have the peace of God's Kingdom and share in the promise that Christ offers to each of us. We pray that they may come to rest in the eternal peace of heaven sharing in the joy of all the Saints.

In this service we are also reminded that we are united with them and all God's people, both living and departed, through our sharing in the life of Christ. We pray for those who have left this life as they pray for us, as together we journey as the people of God towards our final desire, full union with Him.

The Choir will sing various parts of the service, including the parts that are especially written for a requiem mass, to a setting by John Rutter. This is not a concert or performance, but an offering to God of our worship. Their singing does not exclude us: but gives us more space in which to worship and meditate on the mystery of God. As they sing focus on the promise of heaven, the place where we are one with God and pray that we may be united there with the departed for whom we pray today.

The Gathering

The clergy enter and the altar is venerated and honoured with incense.

In our day of thanksgiving one psalm let us offer
for the saints who before us have found their reward;
when the shadow of death fell upon them, we sorrowed,
but now we rejoice that they rest in the Lord.

In the morning of life, and at noon, and at even,
he called them away from our worship below;
but not till his love, at the font and the altar,
had girt them with grace for the way they should go.

These stones that have echoed their praises are holy,
and dear is the ground where their feet have once trod;
yet here they confessed they were strangers and pilgrims,
and still they were seeking the city of God.

Sing praise, then, for all who here sought and here found him,
whose journey is ended, whose perils are past:
they believed in the light; and its glory is round them,
where the clouds of earth's sorrow are lifted at last.

William Draper (1855-1933) *Music: ST CATHERINE'S COURT*

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.

We are sorry

The Priest introduces the service and calls us to repentance of our sins, which we confess as the choir sings in Latin and Greek:

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion, et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem. Exaudi orationem meam; ad te omnis caro veniet. Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Rest eternal grant them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. To thee praise is due, O God, in Zion, and to thee vows are recited in Jerusalem. Hear my prayer; unto thee all flesh shall come. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

God forgives us

The priest pronounces God's forgiveness, at the end
All Amen

We pray to God

At the end
All Amen

We sit to listen to God's word

At the end of the reading
This is the word of the Lord
All Thanks be to God

We stand for the Gospel acclamation

Choir Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All sing **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

It is my Father's will, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing :
Of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

We hear the Gospel

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to …

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit for the Sermon

Please kneel or sit for the intercessions, during which we pray, by name, for the departed. As you hear the name of a person you wish to pray for you may like to come and light a candle either at the votive stands or to place on the choir wall, this becomes a sign of your prayer and your offering to God of the people you carry in your heart.

We pray to God

The response is used

Hear us, Risen Lord.
Our resurrection and our life.

The choir sings:

Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem aeternam.
Gentle Lord Jesus, grant them everlasting rest.

At the end:

Hear us, O merciful Father,
our creator and redeemer,
by your power Christ conquered death and returned to you in glory.
May all your people who have gone before us in faith share his victory,
and enjoy the vision of your glory for ever. Amen.

We offer our lives to Christ

The gifts of bread and wine are offered and the Priest honours them and the altar with incense If you wish to make a donation as a sign of your offering to God there are collection plates by the Font for you to use as you leave the service.
(For those sharing in the live stream please contact us for details of how to donate via BACS)

As the Altar is prepared we sing the hymn

Christ, enthroned in highest heaven,
hear us crying from the deep,
for the faithful ones departed,
for the souls of all that sleep;
as thy kneeling Church entreateth,
hearken, shepherd of the sheep.

They are thine, O take them to thee;
thou their hope, O raise them high;
in thy mercy ever trusting,
confident we make our cry;
that the souls whom
thou hast purchased
may unto thy heart be nigh.

Let thy plenteous loving-kindness
on them evermore be poured;
let them through thy boundless mercy,
be to boundless life restored;
hearken to the gentle pleading
of thy Mother, gracious Lord.

When, O kind and radiant Jesu,
kneels the Queen thy throne before,
let the court of saints attending,
mercy for the dead implore;
hearken, loving friend of sinners,
whom the cross exalted bore.

Hear and answer prayers devoutest,
break, O Lord, each binding chain,
dash the gates of death asunder,
quell the devil and his train;
bring the souls which
thou hast ransomed
evermore in joy to reign.

Trad. Latin Sequence from Ps 130 *Music: PICARDY*

At the end of the hymn a prayer is offered at the end of which:

All **Amen**

We thank God

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Priest praises God for his mighty acts and the choir sing the song of the angels in heaven

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domine, Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. The heavens and earth are filled with thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

After the Priest has recalled the words of Jesus at the Last Supper

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

The prayer continues and at the end all respond

Amen.

We pray as Jesus taught us

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.
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.

We break 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.

Jesus is the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sins 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.

As communion is distributed, wherever you are pray that you may be aware of Christ's presence with you and that you will be blessed and comforted by it.

During communion the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem.

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, Grant them rest, rest everlasting.

Man that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down, like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow.

In the midst of life we are in death, whom may we seek for succour, whom?

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he who believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore, can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full. Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

We say thank you

A prayer is offered at the end of which:

All Amen

We are blessed

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

The Priest gives God's blessing.

All Amen

We share Christ's love and peace

After the introduction:

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All And also with you.

Be aware of Christ's peace with you and reflect on what you can do to share that peace with others.

After we share a sign of peace with each other, the choir sings:

I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me: Blessed, blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for they rest from their labours. Even so saith the spirit.

Lux Aeterna luceat eis, Domine: Cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es. Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Let eternal light shine upon them O Lord, with Thy saints for ever. For Thou art merciful. Rest eternal grant them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them.