



RIPON

CATHEDRAL

Festal Eucharist

The Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 15th August
10.30am

Welcome to the Cathedral

Welcome to Ripon Cathedral for this act of worship. Christian worship has taken place on this site since St Wilfrid founded the Cathedral in 672 AD. The Cathedral crypt, is the oldest part of any English Cathedral and regular prayer has taken place there for almost 1350 years.

Built on the firm foundation of that heritage, the Cathedral today continues to proclaim the Christian faith, with daily prayer and active service in Jesus' name.

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Sitting, kneeling, standing

As human beings, we worship with our bodies as well as through our music and prayers. This Order of service invites you to sit, kneel or stand as appropriate. Please see these as merely invitations and adopt the posture you find most comfortable.

Coronavirus

Ripon Cathedral continues to follow the guidance issued by the national church, which is regularly updated to take account of the most recent government advice. Consequently, it has been decided to continue to suspend the common cup (the chalice) at the administration of holy communion.

Following the Government's advice, the wearing of masks is encouraged unless you fall into an exempt category.

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Welcome to this service

Today is the Feast Day of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary was a young Jewish girl from Nazareth when a messenger from the Lord announced that she was to be the bearer of the Son of God to the world. Her response 'Let it be to me according to your word' revealed her natural sense of obedience to God and her reverence for his word, showing her worthy to be the bearer of the Word flesh. This day is now celebrated as the major feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary throughout most of Christendom.

About this service

The President is Canon Michael Gisbourne, Canon Precentor.

The Preacher is Ven Clive Mansell, Capitular Canon of Ripon Cathedral.

The service is sung by the visiting choir Laus Deo directed by James Perkins, and the Mass setting is *Darke in A minor*.

The organ is played by Thomas Allery

The Cathedral bells are rung by the Ripon Cathedral Guild of Bellringers.

Children at Ripon Cathedral

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Welcome from a member of the clergy.

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

Sing we of the blessèd Mother
who received the angel's word,
and obedient to his summons
bore in love the infant Lord;
sing we of the joys of Mary
at whose breast that child was fed
who is Son of God eternal
and the everlasting bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,
of the sword that pierced her through,
when beneath the cross of Jesus
she his weight of suffering knew,
looked upon her Son and Saviour
reigning high on Calvary's tree,
saw the price of man's redemption
paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary
when she saw the risen Lord,
and in prayer with Christ's apostles,
waited on his promised word:
From on high the blazing glory
of the Spirit's presence came,
heavenly breath of God's own being,
manifest through wind and flame.

Sing the chiefest joy of Mary
when on earth her work was done,
and the Lord of all creation
brought her to his heavenly home:
Virgin Mother, Mary blessèd,
raised on high and crowned with grace,
may your Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face.

NEH 185

Words: George Bourne Timms (1910-97)

Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH Cyril Taylor (1907-1991)

Please stand as the ministers enter.

The Altar is censed.

The Greeting

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

All Amen.

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

All and also with you.

Words of welcome and introduction to the service.

Prayer of Preparation

**All 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.**

Prayer of Penitence

President We have done what was wrong in the Lord's sight
and chosen what displeased him.
Yet as a mother comforts her child,
so shall the Lord himself comfort us.
So let us come to him who knows our every deed
and thought.

Hebrews 12.1

President Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of Peace:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

President Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary:
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

President Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh
and splendour of the Father:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

President 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.

All Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Choir

*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,
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.*

Please remain standing.

The Collect

President

Almighty and everlasting God,
who stooped to raise fallen humanity
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:
grant that we, who have seen your glory
 revealed in our human nature
and your love made perfect in our weakness,
may daily be renewed in your image
and conformed to the pattern of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All

Amen.

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Isaiah 61.10-11

All This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

**Earth was waiting, spent and restless,
with a mingled hope and fear,
faithful men and women praying,
'Surely, Lord, the day is near:
the Desire of all the nations —
it is time he should appear!'**

**Then the Spirit of the Highest
to a virgin meek came down,
and he burdened her with blessing,
and he pained her with renown;
for she bore the Lord's anointed
for his cross and for his crown.**

**Earth has groaned and laboured for him
since the ages first began,
for in him was hid the secret
which through all the ages ran —
Son of Mary, Son of David,
Son of God, and Son of Man.**

AMNS 34

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

Music: PICARDY French Carol melody

The Gospel

Gospel Reader Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Luke 1.46-55

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Organist improvises as the Gospel party returns.

Sermon

Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

After the sermon, please stand with the President.

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The Creed

President Let us affirm our common faith in Jesus Christ.
Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All We believe and trust in him.

President Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All We believe and trust in him.

President Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All We believe and trust in him.

President This is the faith of the Church.

**All This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Intercessions

- President As we pray to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we say with Mary:
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.
- All Holy is your name.**
- Intercessor Your prophet of old foretold a day
when a virgin would conceive
and bear a son who would be called God-with-us.
Help us to look forward to your deliverance
and to seek the fullness of your kingdom.
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.
- All Holy is your name.**
- Intercessor Your angel declared to Mary that she was to be
the mother of the Saviour.
Help every Christian person to be open to your word
and obedient to your will.
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.
- All Holy is your name.**
- Intercessor Mary rejoiced with Elizabeth and sang your praise,
'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.'
Help us to live joyful lives that sing your praise.
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.
- All Holy is your name.**
- Intercessor Mary bore a son of David's line,
a king whose reign would never end.
Bless all the nations of the world with Christ's gift of peace.
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.
- All Holy is your name.**
- Intercessor The child Jesus grew in wisdom and stature
in the home of Mary and Joseph.
Strengthen our homes and families,
and keep under your protection all those whom we love.
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.
- All Holy is your name.**

Intercessor At the foot of the cross of Christ stood his mother,
and from the cross she received his lifeless body in her arms.
Give comfort and healing to all who suffer
and all who watch the suffering of those they love.
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

All Holy is your name.

Intercessor The apostle John saw a vision of a woman in heaven,
robed with the sun.
Bring us with all those who have died in the faith of Christ
to share the joy of heaven with Mary and all the saints.
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

All Holy is your name.

Almighty and everlasting God,
your handmaid Mary magnified your name
and rejoiced in your saving love:
trusting in that same love,
we ask all these our prayers
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9.6

All The peace of the Lord always with you
and also with you.

President Lets us offer one another a sign of peace.

We exchange warm greetings with those nearest us.

Preparation of the Table

Ye who own the faith of Jesus
sing the wonders that were done,
when the love of God the Father
o'er our sin the vict'ry won,
when he made the Virgin Mary
Mother of his only Son.
Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary full of grace.

Blessèd were the chosen people
out of whom the Lord did come,
blessèd was the land of promise
fashioned for his earthly home;
but more blessèd far the Mother
she who bare him in her womb.
Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary full of grace.

Wherefore let all faithful people
tell the honour of her name,
let the Church in her foreshadowed
part in her thanksgiving claim;
what Christ's Mother sang in gladness
let Christ's people sing the same.
Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary full of grace.

Praise, O Mary, praise the Father,
praise thy Saviour and thy Son,
praise the everlasting Spirit,
who hath made thee ark and throne;
o'er all creatures high exalted,
lowly praise the Three in One.
Hail Mary, hail Mary, hail Mary full of grace.

NEH 188

WORDS: Vincent Stuckey Stratton Coles (1845-1929)

MUSIC: DAILY DAILY Melody from a French Paroissien' composer unidentified

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared and the bread and wine are placed upon it.

The Altar is censed.

President God our Father,
 your handmaid Mary fed your Son at her virgin breast.
 Nourish us at this table with the bread of heaven
 and the cup of salvation.
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

President Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.

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,
 almighty Father, ever-living God,
 to proclaim the wonders you have worked in all your saints,
 and on the feast of Mary, ever blessed,
 to echo her praise of your loving kindness.
 For you have truly done great things
 and holy is your name,
 and your mercy is on those who fear you
 in every generation.
 When you looked with favour on your lowly servant
 you remembered your promise of mercy
 and gave the world through her
 your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
 Through him the hosts of heaven adore you
 and rejoice in your presence for ever.
 May our voices join with theirs
 in the triumphant hymn of praise:

Choir

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

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

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.

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Peter, St Wilfrid, 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

Amen.

Please sit.

The Lord's Prayer

Believing the promises of God,
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.**

Giving of Communion

President Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,

Eat in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

All The Body of Christ keep you in eternal life
Amen.

*We welcome communicants of all denominations to receive holy communion.
If you are not a communicant and would like to receive God's blessing, please
come with this service sheet in your hand. Please move as directed. If you
require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the minister.*

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.*

Motet

*O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
blest is the man that trusteth in him.*

*Words: Psalm 34.8
Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*

Prayer after Communion

President God most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

Notices

Notices and Banns of marriage may be given.

Please stand after the invitation of the President.

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President Christ the Son of God, born of Mary,
fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

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

Recessional Hymn

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name:
make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might:
powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word:
firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore.**

NEH 186

Words Timothy Dudley Smith (b. 1926) based on Luke 1.46-55

Music: WOODLANDS Walter Creatorex (1877-1949)

Organ Voluntary

Fuga sopra il Magnificat BWV 733

J S Bach (1685-1750)

