

St. Laurence's, Chorley

All Age Eucharist

**Saturday 20 June, 2026
at 17.00**

If you tell others you belong to me, I
will tell my Father in heaven you are
my followers.

Opening Song

Make way

**All: Make Way, Make Way,
For Christ The King
in Splendour Arrives.
Fling Wide the Gates
And Welcome Him into Your Lives.**

**Men: Make Way! Women: Make Way!
Men: Make Way! Women: Make Way!
Men: For The King Of Kings!
Women: For The King Of Kings!**

**Women: Make Way! Men: Make Way!
Women: Make Way! Men: Make Way!
All: And Let His Kingdom In!**

**He comes the broken hearts to heal,
The prisoners to free.
The deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance,
The blind shall see.**

**Men: Make Way! Women: Make Way!
Men: Make Way! Women: Make Way!
Men: For The King Of Kings!
Women: For The King Of Kings!**

**Women: Make Way! Men: Make Way!
Women: Make Way! Men: Make Way!
All: And Let His Kingdom In!**

**We call you now to worship Him
As Lord of all.
To have no gods before Him,
Their thrones must fall!**

**Men: Make Way! Women: Make Way!
Men: Make Way! Women: Make Way!
Men: For The King Of Kings!
Women: For The King Of Kings!**

**Women: Make Way! Men: Make Way!
Women: Make Way! Men: Make Way!
All: And Let His Kingdom In!**

The Gathering

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Greeting

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The Act of Penitence

As we pray, we reflect on the week that
has passed and ask the Lord for his
forgiveness and healing.

When we didn't share or were unkind:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

When we didn't listen or follow your way:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

When we forgot to thank you for your
love: Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Words of forgiveness are proclaimed

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life. **Amen.**

Song of Praise

**Gloria, Gloria, (clap, clap)
in excelsis deo, (clap, clap) x2**

**Lord God, heavenly King, peace you bring
to us,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we sing our song of praise.**

**Jesus Saviour of all, Lord God, Lamb of
God,
You take away our sins O Lord,
have mercy on us all.**

**At the Father's right hand, Lord receive our
prayer, for you alone are the Holy One
and you alone are Lord**

Gloria, Gloria, (clap, clap).....

The Special Prayer for this week

Let us pray (*Brief silence*)

God our saviour, look on this wounded world
in pity and in power; hold us fast to your
promises of peace won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

The Word of the Lord

We remain standing for the Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel (Matthew 10:24-39)

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

24-25 Jesus said, Students are not better than their teacher, and slaves are not better than their master. It is enough for students to be like their teacher and for slaves to be like their master. If people call the head of the family Satan, what will they say about the rest of the family?

26-27 Don't be afraid of anyone! Everything that is hidden will be found out, and every secret will be known. Whatever I say to you in the dark, you must tell in the light. And you must announce from the housetops whatever I have whispered to you.

28-29 Don't be afraid of people. They can kill you, but they cannot harm your soul. Instead, you should fear God who can destroy both your body and your soul in hell. Aren't two sparrows sold for only a penny? But your Father knows when any one of them falls to the ground.

30-33 Even the hairs on your head are counted. So don't be afraid! You are worth much more than many sparrows. If you tell others you belong to me, I will tell my Father in heaven you are my followers. But if you reject me, I will tell my Father in heaven you don't belong to me.

34-36 Don't think I came to bring peace to the earth! I came to bring trouble, not peace. 35 I came to turn sons against their fathers, daughters against their mothers, and daughters-in-law against their mothers-in-law. Your worst enemies will be in your own family.

37-39 If you love your father or mother or even your sons and daughters more than me, you are not fit to be my disciples. And unless you are willing to take up your cross and follow me, you are not fit to be my disciples. If you try to save your life, you will lose it. But if you give it up for me, you will surely find it.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily

The Creed

With our Christian brothers and sisters, we affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

Prayers of the People

Lord hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us

(At the end)

Merciful Father,

**Accept these prayers, For the sake of your
Son, Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

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

Let us offer on another a sign of Peace

*An offertory song may be sung, with the
chorus:*

Blessed be God, Blessed be God.

Blessed be God for ever Amen. (Twice)

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is always right,
wherever we are,
to thank you and to praise you,
God our Father and King for ever,
through Jesus Christ, your Son.

So here on earth,
with the angels and archangels
and with everyone in heaven
we praise your name and sing:

Holy God, (clap, clap) Holy God, (clap, clap)

Lord of all creation.

Your glory fills, (clap, clap)

The earth with light, (clap, clap)

Hosanna in excelsis.

✕ **Blessed, blessed is he**

Who comes now in God's name.

To you we raise our hands up high,

And sing aloud your praise!

Holy God, (clap, clap)

The priest continues the prayer, recalling the words and actions of Jesus at the Last Supper.

Father in heaven,
listen to the prayer we make in Jesus' name;
through the Holy Spirit's power, gentle as a dove,
may this bread and this wine be for us
Jesus' body ✕ and blood.

Father, we remember
when Jesus had supper with his friends
the night before he died, he took the bread;
he thanked you, broke it, gave it to his friends and said: Take this and eat it – this is my body,
given for you.

Do this to remember me.
After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine;
he thanked you, gave it to his friends and said:
All of you drink from this cup,
because this is my blood – the new promise of God's love.

Do this every time you drink it to remember me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Father, as we remember your Son, Jesus Christ,
who died on the cross and rose again,
we offer you these and all the gifts
you freely give to us.

Send your Holy Spirit to be with us
and all who share this bread
and drink from this cup.

Help us to trust you,
bring us closer together and welcome us,
with all your people,
into Jesus' glorious kingdom.

All honour and glory belong to you,
Father,
through Jesus, your Son,
with the Holy Spirit:
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**
All sit/kneel and silence may be kept.

The Communion

The Lord's Prayer

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 priest breaks the consecrated bread:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

This is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

You are welcome to receive the Holy Communion or a Blessing as appropriate for you. Please approach the Altar with your arms crossed to if receiving a blessing.

During the distribution of Holy Communion please keep a period of silence and listen to music played by the worship group.

Thanksgiving Prayer after Communion

Let us pray (*Brief Silence*)

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend:

show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Sending Out

The Lord be with you
And also with you

... the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

Fr. Mark:

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Final Song

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown?

Will you let my name be known?

Will you let my life be grown in you

And you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

**Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you
And you in me?**

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?

Will you quell that fear inside and never be the same?

Will you use the faith you've found

To reshape the world around

Through my sight and touch and sound in you

And you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same

In your company I'll go

Where your love and footsteps show

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you

And you in me

Ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh

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