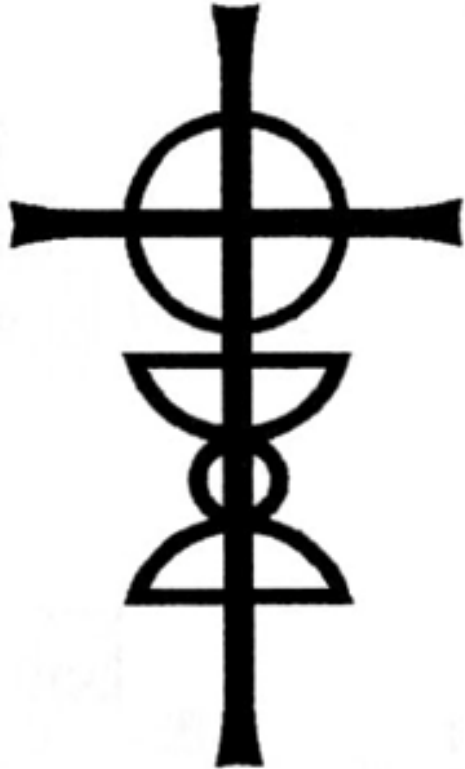


St Barbara's Church Earlsdon



Dedication Sunday

A very warm welcome to St Barbara's.

During the service, please join in the words in **bold**.

And please do join us for refreshments in the church hall after the service—it will be lovely to get to know you more.

We hope you will enjoy the service.

The Gathering

We **stand** as the choir and clergy enter the church.



We **sit** for the NOTICES.

We **stand** to sing our **OPENING HYMN**.

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

And also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

We sit or kneel as we pray a prayer of PREPARATION for the service:
Loving God, we have come to worship you.

**Help us to pray to you in faith,
To sing your praise with gratitude,
And to listen to your word with eagerness;
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

*We have a time of **CONFESSION**, a time when we acknowledge our failings before God and ask and receive his forgiveness.*

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*We stand to sing God's praise in the words of the **GLORIA**:*

Glory to God, glory in the highest,
Peace to his people, peace on earth.
**Glory to God, glory in the highest,
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father,
**Glory to God, glory in the highest,
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

We worship you, **glory in the highest**
Give you thanks, **glory in the highest**
Praise you for your glory.
**Glory to God, glory in the highest,
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

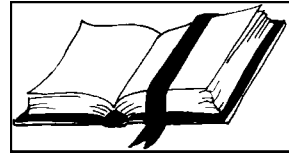
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us;
Have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father;
Receive our prayer.
Receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory in the highest,
Peace to his people, peace on earth.
**Glory to God, glory in the highest,
Peace to his people, peace on earth.**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,
With the holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father.

**Glory to God, glory in the highest,
Peace to his people, peace on earth.
Amen, Amen.**



The Word of God

We pray the COLLECT, the church's special prayer for today:

Almighty God,
to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer:
we praise you for the many blessings
you have given to those who worship you here:
and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you,
and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,
may become a living temple acceptable to you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

We sit to hear our first BIBLE READING.

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

We stand to sing our next HYMN.

We remain standing for our GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the reading:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit to hear the SERMON.

We proclaim our faith in the words of the APOSTLES' CREED

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?
**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.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?
**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 or kneel for our PRAYERS.

Our response to the prayers is:
Lord, in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

The Eucharist

We **stand** to share the **PEACE**.



We are the Body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

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

We share with one another a sign of peace, such as a handshake.

We remain standing to sing our OFFERTORY HYMN, during which a collection is taken for the work of the church, and the bread and wine are placed on the holy table.

We say together:

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power
the glory, the splendour and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you
and of your own do we give you.**

We remain standing for the EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord is here

His Spirit is with us

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 indeed right,

It is our duty and our joy,

At all times and in all places

To give you thanks and praise,

Holy Father, heavenly King,

Almighty and eternal God,

Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

And now we give you thanks

For your blessing on this house of prayer,

Where through your grace we offer you the sacrifice of praise

And are built by your Spirit into a temple made without hands,

Even the body of your Son Jesus Christ.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, heaven and earth are full,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blest is He who comes, Blest is he who comes,
Blest is He who comes, Blest is he who comes,
In the name of the Lord, In the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

Please sit or kneel.

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 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.

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.

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, alleluia!
Christ has risen, alleluia!
Christ will come again in glory. Alleluia!
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

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.

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:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
Be yours for ever and ever.**

Amen

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest;
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

We pray the LORD'S PRAYER together

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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 president BREAKS THE BREAD and says:

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.**

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ

Which he gave for you,

And his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,

And feed on him in your hearts

By faith with thanksgiving.

The CHOIR sings:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, Lamb of God
You take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace.

Please come up for communion as directed. If you don't normally receive communion please feel free to come up for a prayer of blessing—simply keep your hands by your sides and head bowed. And please do bring children up for a prayer of blessing too.

Please do join in the hymns during communion.

*At the end of communion, we **PRAY**:*

Father in heaven,
whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace,
an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem:
grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage
that, fed with the living bread of heaven,
and united in the body of your Son,
we may be the temple of your presence,
the place of your glory on earth,
and a sign of your peace in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Sending Out

*The choir may sing an **ANTHEM**.*

*We hear from the **CHILDREN** what they have been doing.*



*We **stand** for a final **BLESSING***

Christ, whose glory is in the heavens,
Fill this house and illuminate your hearts;
And the blessing of God Almighty,
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
Be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*We **sing** our **FINAL HYMN** and turn to face the door as the cross passes.*

*We remain **standing** to say our final words together:*

Like living stones, precious in his sight,
go in peace to proclaim the mighty acts of God.
Thanks be to God.

Please do join us for refreshments in the church hall at the end of the service.