

# **HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL**

**SUNDAYS AT 10 AM**

**ONLINE LITUGY OF THE WORD  
DURING SUSPENSION OF  
ALL PUBLIC ACTS OF WORSHIP**

29 March - 19 April 2020



*The Officiant greets people in informal way and introduces them into the service and the day.*

## **The Gathering**

In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

*or:*

In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life.

*or:*

I runga i te ingoa o te Atua: te Matua, te Tama me te Wairua Tapu. Amine.

Kia tau ki a koutou, te atawhai me te rangimārie o te Atua.

Grace and peace to you from God.

**God fill you with truth and joy.**

Ko te rā tēnei i hanga e Ihowā.

This is the day which the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

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,**

**so that we may truly love you**

**and worthily praise your holy name;**

**through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **The Confession**

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent,

turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving.

In silence we call to mind our sins.

*Silence*

Let us confess our sins.

**Merciful God,**

**we have sinned in what we have thought and said,**

**in the wrong we have done**

**and in the good we have not done.**

**We have sinned in ignorance:**

**we have sinned in weakness:**

**we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.**

**Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake,**

**and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

### The Absolution

Through the cross of Christ,  
God have mercy on you,  
✠ pardon you and set you free.  
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.  
God strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in life eternal.  
**Amen.**

### Gloria (from Easter Vigil onwards)

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
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;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
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 Father. Amen.

### The Collect

Let us pray.  
*Silence*

...Amen.

### **Liturgy of the Word**

#### Reading(s)

*At the end:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

#### Gospel

Holy Gospel according to ... .

*At the end of the Gospel*  
Here ends the gospel of Christ.

#### Homily

*(Affirmation of Faith)*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became fully human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
and has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*or:*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
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.

*or:*

You, O God, are supreme and holy.  
You create our world and give us life.  
Your purpose overarches everything we do.  
You have always been with us.  
You are God.  
You, O God, are infinitely generous,  
good beyond all measure.  
You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed and proved  
your love for us in Jesus Christ,  
who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now.  
You are God.  
You, O God, are Holy Spirit.  
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  
You are our God. We worship you.

### Prayers

Let us pray for the church and for the world,  
giving thanks for God's goodness.

*At the end of the Prayers:*

### Lord's prayer

As Christ teaches us 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.

Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

*These prayers are concluded with a collect.*

## **Spiritual Communion**

*During the coronavirus pandemic the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia is having to put public worship on hold. This means that many people who would have received Holy Communion each Sunday, and some of them every day, are not able to receive the comfort and benefits of the sacrament.*

*This is a huge loss. However, it is not the first time that the Church has been in such a position. Throughout Christian history some Christian people have found themselves isolated from the sacramental life of the Church for all sorts of reasons, and particularly in times of plague, famine and warfare.*

*At such times the Church has encouraged people to make what is called a spiritual communion. It is a way of uniting yourself with Jesus and entering into communion with him even though you are not able to receive the sacrament itself.*

*We are not able to receive the sacramental bread and wine. But in a spiritual communion we still come to Jesus and he still receives us.*

*Pray this prayer together with the Officiant.*

Loving God, in union with Christian people throughout the world and across the centuries gathered to make Eucharist, hearing your holy Word and receiving the precious Body and Blood of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you praise and thanksgiving.

Even though we cannot taste the Bread of Heaven and drink the Cup of Life, we pray that you will unite us with all the baptised and with your Son who showed us how to love to the end.

Come Lord Jesus, dwell in us and send your Holy Spirit that we may be filled with your presence.

Jesus, as the hem of your garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch your body, so may the soul of us, your people, be healed, for though we cannot receive you in the Sacrament, we can through this offering of our prayers, receive you in our hearts; grant this for Christ's sake. Amen.

## **Notices**

### **Blessing**

#### **29 March**

May Christ who calls you to take up your cross, give you strength to bear your own and one another's burdens...

#### **5 April**

May you find in the cross a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven...

**12 April**

The God of peace, who by the blood of the eternal covenant brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work...

**19 April**

Christ, who by his incarnation, gathered into one all things earthly and heavenly, fill you with joy and peace...

...and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

*or:*

...and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. Amen.

**Dismissal/Conclusion**

Go and be like Christ to others.



### **CATHEDRAL COLLECT**

**Loving God, the source of all life, as we worship you and  
rejoice at your presence in our midst;  
open our hearts that we may always be a welcoming and  
nourishing community; empowering each other to be  
active in your service, through Jesus Christ, Redeemer of  
the world. Amen.**

#### *Liturgical Sources:*

A New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakia Mihinare O Aotearoa

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