

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening hymn

All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown, he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

Opening prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

The Book of Wisdom 3:1-9
Response: ***Thanks be to god***

Responsorial Psalm 23:1-3, 4,5,6

The Lord is my Shepard
Response: ***The Lord is my Shepard; there is nothing
I shall want.***

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:14 - 5:1

Response: ***Thanks be to god.***

Gospel

Please stand for the Gospel

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

***I am the resurrection and the life, said the lord:
He who believes in me shall receive eternal life.***

Alleluia.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Response: ***And with your spirit.***

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Response: ***Glory to you, O Lord.***

(Matthew 5:1-11)

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Response: ***Hear our prayer.***

Second Hymn

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love who had been slain,
Thinking that He never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead the risen One is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Jesus' touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Presentation of the Gifts

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.

(pause)

For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and forever
Amen.

Sign of peace: ***And with your spirit.***

Reception of Holy Communion

Non-catholics are welcome to approach the priest
with arms crossed over the chest for a blessing.

The Blessing and The Dismissal

Final hymn

O the love of my lord is the essence,
of all that I love here on earth.
All the beauty I see he has given to me,
and his giving is gentle as silence.

Every day, every hour, every moment,
have been blessed by the strength of his love.
At the turn of each tide he is there at my side,
and his touch is as gentle as silence.

There've been times when I've turned from his presence,
and I've walked other paths, other ways.
But I've called on his name in the dark of my shame,
and his mercy was gentle as silence.

**Following Mass, please make your way to
the Wessex Vale Crematorium for 5pm.**

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