

THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST  
AND SAINT MARY MAGDALENE, GOLDTHORPE.

25th February 2024

LENT II (B)



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THE  
PARISH  
MASS

The Introductory Rites

*When the bell rings we stand to sing our first Hymn*

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the  
Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name  
we praise.**

**Unresting, unchanging, and silent as  
light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest  
in might;  
Thy justice, like mountains high  
soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of  
goodness and love.**

**To all life thou givest—to both great  
and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on  
the tree,  
Then wither and perish—but naught  
changeth thee.**

**Great Father of glory, pure Father of  
light,  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling  
their sight;  
All laud we would render; O help us  
to see  
'Tis only the splendour of light  
hideth thee.**

*Priest:* ✠In the name of the Father and  
of the Son and of the Holy  
Spirit

*People:* **Amen**

*Priest:* The Lord be with you  
*People:* **And with your spirit.**

*The Mass is introduced*

*Priest:* Brothers and sisters, let us  
acknowledge our sins, and so  
prepare ourselves to celebrate  
the sacred mysteries.

*Cantor:* You were sent to heal the  
contrite of heart.  
Lord have mercy.

*People:* **Lord have mercy.**

*Cantor:* You came to call, you came to  
sinners.  
Christ have mercy.

*People:* **Christ have mercy**

*Cantor:* You are seated at the right  
hand of the Father to intercede  
for us.  
Lord have mercy.

*People:* **Lord have mercy.**

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**Monday 26th February**

**Sick:** Derick Norris, Jill Crofts, Mary Wilkinson  
**Years Mind:** Elizabeth Marsden, Irahna Brooks, Mavis Clegg  
**Church:** William Heselstine, Mary Hellewell,  
William Wilmot, Henry Horner  
**Local Community:** Kevin Hall  
Brow View(B)  
**General:** That we may forgive those who trespass against us

**Tuesday 27th February**

**Sick:** Heather Jones, Arthur Jones, Anita Constable  
**Years Mind:** George Kent, Sister Phoebe, Alfred Addy,  
Alfred Jefferson, Hedley Clarke  
**Church:** Maureen and Sid Hall  
**Local Community:** Buttermere Close (B)  
**General:** For all Religious

**Wednesday 28th February**

**Sick:** Carol & Bill Lyons, Margaret, Mary Robinson  
**Years Mind:** Evelyn Wilkinson, Gertrude Butler, Nellie Garbutt  
**Church:** Lewis Hardman  
**Local Community:** Caernarvon Crescent (B)  
**General:** For a life lived in service of our Lord

**Thursday 29th February**

**Sick:** Barrie Shippood, Freda Lancaster, Ned Morris,  
David Stanton  
**Years Mind:** Angela and Denis Hays  
**Church:** Calder Road (B)  
**Local Community:** For the poor

**Friday 1st March**

**Sick:** Janet Canham, Michael Bolger, Douglas Gill,  
**Years Mind:** Jack Dodsworth, Lena Marshall, Eva Butler  
**Church:** William Wenman, Douglas Pugh,  
George Thompson,  
**Local Community:** Barbara Hillery  
Campion Close (B)  
**General:** For the Church in Wales

**Saturday 2nd March**

**Sick:** Terry Hays, Barbara Wroe, Janet Newsome.  
**Years Mind:** Kathlene Wilkinson, Billy Howard,  
Gwen Patrick, Ivor Crowther  
**Church:** Liz and Paul Hulley  
**Local Community:** Canberra Rise (B)  
**General:** For those who seek for reconciliation

**Daily**

For the dead  
For our families  
For Peter Bishop of Sheffield  
For Stephen Bishop of Beverley  
For the Unity of Christ's Church  
For our Church Wardens and PCC members  
For the growth of our Christian Family  
For the poor, the sick and those with no hope  
For any who need our prayers  
For ourselves

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

**People: Amen.**

*The Collect or prayer for the day follows*

Let us pray  
O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

### The Liturgy of the Word

We sit for The First Reading  
*A Reading from the book of Genesis*

*Genesis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18:8-15*

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.'

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

The word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Responsorial Psalm*

*Psalm 115(116):10,15-19*

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.  
**I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

I trusted, even when I said:  
'I am sorely afflicted,'  
O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful.  
**I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;  
you have loosened my bonds.  
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;  
I will call on the Lord's name.  
**I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil  
before all his people,  
in the courts of the house of the Lord,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
**I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

*Second Reading*

*A Reading from the first letter of S. Peter*  
*1 Peter 3:18-22*

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift,

THE PARISHES OF  
GOLDTHORPE, HICKLETON &  
BOLTON UPON DEARNE

## Parish Intercession List



Week commencing  
**LENT II (B)**

*“Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you”*  
1 Thessalonians Ch5 vv17-18.

In this leaflet it is hoped that, as a parish, we will find some direction and focus for our prayers that through praying together for the same things and the same people we may find a common purpose in responding to the needs of our world and our parish and place ourselves more readily into the hands of God. It is hoped that either weekly or daily we can take some time together to pray wherever we are for the needs of our Church, our World, our parish, the individuals we come across and the departed. For, 'all things are possible for God'.

If you would like anyone or anything added to this prayer list, please hand it to the vicar in writing, the list will be revised weekly.

### Daily Prayer for our Parish

Heavenly Father grant us grace in Goldthorpe, Hickleton and Bolton upon Dearne to worship you with all our being, to show your love to all our neighbours and to proclaim your saving power to all the world and in all we do to glorify your Name grant us humble and penitent hearts and all this through the saving merits of our faith in Jesus Christ Our Lord.  
Amen.

Day	Service/Event	Intention
Monday 26h February <i>Feria</i>	8am Mass at Goldthorpe	That we may forgive those who trespass against us
Tuesday 27th February S. Gregory of Narek <i>Ab, Dr</i>	10.30am Mass at Bolton Church Hall  7pm Mass at Goldthorpe	For all Religious
Wednesday 28th February	9am Mass at Goldthorpe  6pm Vestry Hour	For a life lived in service of our
Thursday 29th February	10am Mass at Hickleton  1pm Lenten Reflections at Bolton Church	For the poor
Friday 1st March S. David <i>B</i>	10:30am Mass at Goldthorpe 12noon Lent Lunch at Goldthorpe Hall 2pm World Day of Prayer at Barnburgh Church 6pm Stations of the Cross a Goldthorpe	For the church in Wales
Saturday 2nd March <i>feria</i>	9am Mass at Goldthorpe  9:30am Coffee Morning at Goldthorpe Hall	For those who seek for reconciliation
Sunday 3rd March <b>LENT III (B)</b>	9am Parish Mass at Hickleton 10.30am Parish Mass at Bolton 10.30am Parish Mass at Goldthorpe	Thanksgiving for the Resurrection and for our Parish

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that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

The word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

*The Gospel Reading*  
*We stand for the Gospel Acclamation*

*Choir:* Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

*People:* **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

*Choir:* From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

*People:* **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

*Priest:* The Lord be with you  
*People:* **And with your spirit.**

✠A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

*Mark 9:2-10*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus: 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering

them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The Homily now follows*

*We sit*

*We stand for*

The Profession of Faith (Creed)

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,**

*At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.*

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the ✠Resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*The Bidding Prayers now follow*

*Response*

*Priest:* Lord hear us

*People:* Lord graciously hear us

*Priest:* ✠Rest eternal grant unto them  
O Lord

*People:* and let light perpetual shine upon them

*Priest:* May they rest in peace

*People:* Amen

*People:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

*We sing the Offertory Hymn*

Hark, my soul, it is the Lord;  
'tis thy Saviour, hear his word;  
Jesus speaks, and speaks to thee,  
'Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou me?

'I delivered thee when bound,  
and when wounded, healed thy wound  
sought thee wandering, set thee right,  
turned thy darkness into light.

'Can a woman's tender care  
cease towards the child she bare?  
Yes, she may forgetful be,  
yet will I remember thee.

'Mine is an unchanging love,  
higher than the heights above,  
deeper than the depths beneath,  
free and faithful, strong as death.

'Thou shalt see my glory soon,  
when the work of grace is done;  
partner of my throne shalt be:  
say, poor sinner, lov'st thou me?'

Lord, it is my chief complaint  
that my love is weak and faint;  
yet I love thee, and adore;  
O for grace to love thee more!

If the prayers of blessing are said aloud the people respond each time

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*We stand*

Pray, my Brothers and Sisters that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father  
**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

*The prayer over the Offerings*

May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray, cleanse us of our faults and sanctify your faithful in body and mind for the celebration of the paschal festivities. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

*Priest:* The Lord be with you

*People:* And with your spirit

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts

*People:* We lift them up to the Lord.

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* It is right and just

*The Preface follows, at the end of which we sing*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.  
Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*We Kneel*

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### February 2024

Thurs 29th 1:00pm Lenten reflections Bolton

### March 2024

Fri 1st 12 noon Lent Lunch Goldthorpe Hall  
2pm World Day of Prayer Barnburgh Church  
6pm Stations of the Cross Goldthorpe  
10am Coffee Morning Bolton Hall  
10am Church Yard Spring tidy Hickleton Church  
10:30am Funeral Casen Jagger Goldthorpe  
10:30am Funeral Jean Eagle Goldthorpe  
11:00am Funeral Wendy Kerry Bolton  
1:00pm Lenten reflections Bolton  
12 noon Lent Lunch Goldthorpe Hall  
6pm Stations of the Cross Goldthorpe  
Mothering Sunday Posies Bolton Hall  
Mothering Sunday All  
11:00am Funeral Mary Smith Goldthorpe  
10:45am Funeral Audrey Dodsworth Goldthorpe  
1:00pm Lenten reflections Bolton  
12 noon Lent Lunch Goldthorpe Hall  
6pm Stations of the Cross Goldthorpe  
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12 noon Lent Lunch Goldthorpe Hall  
6pm Stations of the Cross Goldthorpe  
10am Coffee Morning Goldthorpe Hall  
10:30 Easter Egg Hunt / Easter Garden build Hickleton Church

### HOLY WEEK

Sunday 24th PALM SUNDAY All  
Mon 25th 12 noon Chrism Mass Hexthorpe  
Thurs 28th 7pm Mass of the Lords Last Supper Goldthorpe  
washing of feet and stripping church  
Fri 29th 10:00am Stations of the Cross Goldthorpe  
10:30am Stations of the Cross Bolton  
10:30am Easter Garden build Goldthorpe  
2:30pm The Liturgy Goldthorpe  
2:30pm The Liturgy Bolton  
Sat 30th RE-DRESSING OUR CHURCH All  
8pm The Easter Vigil Goldthorpe  
CLOCKS GO FORWARD

## EASTER DAY

### April 2024

Sat 6th 10am Coffee Morning Bolton Hall  
Fri 12th THMV Choir Concert 7pm Goldthorpe  
Sat 13th 9:30am Focal Ministry Team Meeting Goldthorpe Hall

## NOTICES

**Pastoral care of the sick** FYI We are looking to ensure that at least the faithful on all our lists receive contact over the phone but the team will look to also 'go out in pairs' to visit and if asked for, take them holy communion.

**Food Bank** We are collecting items for the Salvation Army Food Bank and there is a basket at the back of church. 'For the donation basket could we ask that they donate tins, packets, etc that are in date and do not need any refrigeration. Thank you.

**LENT LUNCHES, every Friday through Lent.** To help with preparation, please can you add your name to the list at the back of church if you are planning to attend.

**Stations of the Cross** 6pm at Goldthorpe each Friday of Lent and at The Sacred Heart, Lockwood Road on Wednesday's at 2pm from the 21st February.

**Thank you** to those to helped with Coffee morning at Goldthorpe Yesterday.

**World Day of Prayer** 2pm, 1st March S. Peter's Barnburgh. It would be good to join with our bothers and sisters from other congregations and denominations in the area to pray. The organiser (Janet Henshaw) is also looking to ensure that each congregation is represented in the service, delivering one of the readings as an example. If you would like to be involved, please speak with either Christine White or Andrew Hainey. There are some prep sessions planned for 16th Feb, 2pm Barnburgh Church Hall and 23rd Feb, at S. Peter Church.

**Lenten Prayers and Reflection** 1pm each Thursday through Lent starting this week at S. Andrew's, Bolton-upon-Dearne. All invited.

**Mothering Sunday** As in previous years, if you would like your mother prayed for and her name added to the intercessions list at the foot of Our Lady on Mothering Sunday, please see Denis (Goldthorpe), Christine (Bolton), Gordon (Hickleton) **THIS MORNING**

**Easter Egg Raffle** Luxury Fortnum's donations of Eggs in each church needed, tickets on sale from next Sunday too.

**Easter Flowers** If you would like to donate to the Easter Flowers, please see the appropriate Flower Power team member

**GET INVOLVED** We are looking for more people to read at Mass, Lead the intercessions, Verge at funerals and weddings, Sing, Serve, Clean, Bake, garden, start a Rosery group, host a quiz night..... If there is something you want to try, speak to one of the Wardens or Focal Ministers. Support will ALWAYS BE GIVEN.

*The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer III.*

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*At these words all bow*

*TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU. ☩*

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

*At these words all bow*

*TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME. ☩*

*After the words of Consecration the priest says:*

*Priest:* The mystery of faith.

*People:* **When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death O Lord until you come again.**

*At the conclusion of the prayer:*

Through him, and with him, and in him O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

*People:* **AMEN.**

### The Liturgy of Communion

*We stand*

*Priest:* At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

*People:* **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.**

*Priest:* Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

*People* **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

*Priest:* Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

*Priest:* The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*People:* **And with your spirit.**

*The Breaking of the Bread*

**People:** 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, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

*We kneel*

**Priest:** ✠Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**People:** Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed

*The Communion Antiphon*

**Priest:** This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

*We come forward to receive Holy Communion*

*We sing the Communion Hymn*

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here. Come, bow before Him now, with reverence and fear.**

**In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.**

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place, He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace.**

**No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him;  
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.**

*We stand*

**Priest:** Let us pray.  
As we receive these glorious mysteries, we make thanks giving to you, O Lord, for allowing us while still on earth to be partakers even now of the things of heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**People:** Amen

*Any Notices etc may follow now.*

The Concluding Rites

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And with your spirit.

**Priest:** Bow down for God's blessing

**Priest:** Bless your faithful, we pray, O Lord, with a blessing that endures for ever, and keep them faithful to the Gospel of your Only Begotten Son, so that they may always desire and at last attain that glory whose beauty he showed in his own Body, to the amazement of his Apostles.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**People:** Amen.

**Priest:** And may God bless you, ✠ Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**People:** Amen.

**Priest:** Go forth the Mass is ended

**People:** Thanks be to God

*The Angelus*

The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary

**And she conceived by the Holy Spirit**

Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee Blessed art thou among women & blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus  
**Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord  
**Be it unto me according to thy word**  
Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee Blessed art thou among women & blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus

**Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

And the Word was made flesh.  
**and dwelt among us.**

Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee Blessed art thou among women & blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus  
**Holy Mary, Mother of God pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God  
**That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ**

Pour forth we beseech thee O Lord thy grace into our hearts that as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his ✠Cross and Passion, we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection; through the same, Jesus Christ our Lord  
**Amen**

*We sing the final Hymn*

**Tis good, Lord, to be here!  
Thy glory fills the night;  
Thy face and garments, like the sun,  
Shine with unborrowed light.**

**Tis good, Lord, to be here,  
Thy beauty to behold,  
Where Moses and Elijah stand,  
Thy messengers of old.**

**Fulfiller of the past,  
Promise of things to be,  
We hail thy Body glorified,  
And our redemption see.**

**Before we taste of death,  
We see thy kingdom come;  
We fain would hold the vision bright,  
And make this hill our home.**

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here!  
Yet we may not remain;  
But since you bidst us leave the mount  
Come with us to the plain.**

## **LENT**

*Lent is the great Season of Grace in the Church's Year during which we prepare physically and spiritually for the great events of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection by fasting, prayer and works of charity. Our Mass takes on a more sombre tone to focus our minds on our own unworthiness of the great things God does for us in His Son, so that we may be a worthy and holy people devoted to Him.*