



ALL SAINTS
HIGH WYCOMBE

Parish Eucharist with Holy Baptism

Sunday 20 November 2022

Layla Maina



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We gather in God's name

The notices are given.

*Please join in with all parts of the service printed in **bold** type. Please stand where indicated only if you wish.*

When the bell rings, we stand to sing,

**O magnify the Lord and raise
anthems of joy and holy praise
for Christ's brave saints of ancient days.
Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

**Christ through all ages is the same:
place the same hope in his great name,
with the same faith his word proclaim.
Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

**Let love's unconquerable might
your scattered companies unite
in service to the lord of light.
Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

**So shall God's will on earth be done,
new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,
and the whole church at last be one.
Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

The Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome and Introduction

The Gloria

We sing this song of praise.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

**Glory to God in the Highest,
And peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heav'nly King,
Almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

**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.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

**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.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

The priest says the Collect, the special prayer for the day,

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

We hear God's Word

We sit for the Reading

Colossians 1.11-20

Brothers and sisters: May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Luke 23.33-43

We stand and sing,

Alleluia

Alleluia

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

Alleluia ...

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who

were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' Jesus replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the Sermon

The Liturgy of Baptism

Presentation of the Candidate

The deacon lights the paschal candle. Layla, her parents, and godparents come to the front. The congregation remains seated.

The priest addresses the whole congregation.

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.
We thank God for Layla who has come to be baptized today.
Christ loves her and welcomes her into his Church.

Will you support her on her journey of faith?

We will.

Will you help her to live and grow within God's family?

We will.

The priest then asks the parents and godparents

God knows each of us by name and we are his.
Parents and godparents, you speak for Layla today.
Will you pray for her and help her to follow Christ?
We will.

The Decision

The priest addresses Layla's parents and godparents. We all join in the responses

We all wander far from God and lose our way:
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.
In baptism we respond to his call.

Therefore I ask:
Do you turn away from sin?
I do.
Do you reject evil?
I do.
Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I do.
Do you trust in him as Lord?
I do.

We are assured of God's forgiving love.

Signing with the Cross

*The priest marks Layla with the sign of the cross using holy oil, saying,
Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.*

When Layla has been signed with the cross, the priest says,

Do not be ashamed of Christ.
You are his for ever.

**Stand bravely with him
against all the powers of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

*The ministers and baptism party go to the font. The congregation faces the font.
Prayer over the Water*

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

We praise you, loving Father,
for the gift of your Son Jesus.
He was baptized in the River Jordan,
where your Spirit came upon him
and revealed him as the Son you love.
He sent his followers
to baptize all who turn to him.

Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water,
that those who are baptized in it
may be cleansed in the water of life,
and, filled with your Spirit,
may know that they are loved as your children,
safe in Christ for ever. **Amen.**

We affirm our faith.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made all things?
We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ,
who redeemed the world?
We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God?
We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.
**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Baptism

After Layla has been baptized we sing
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The priest then leads us in prayer.

We welcome Layla

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Layla, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.
**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father,
we welcome you.**

We are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

The deacon says,
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace and we return to our places.

We celebrate Jesus in Bread and Wine

We sing this hymn, during which a collection for the work of the church will be taken.

**Meekness and majesty,
manhood and deity,
in perfect harmony,
the man who is God.
Lord of eternity
dwells in humanity,
kneels in humility
and washes our feet.**

***Oh, what a mystery,
meekness and majesty.
Bow down and worship
for this is your God,
this is your God***

**Father's pure radiance,
perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience
to death on a cross.
Suffering to give us life,
conquering through sacrifice,
and as they crucify
prays: 'Father forgive.'**

**Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible,
Love indestructible
in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity,
stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity
to the heights of his throne.**

The priest takes the bread and wine and says the prayer of preparation. We respond to each part

Blessed be God for ever.

Please remain standing during the Eucharistic Prayer if it is comfortable for you.

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.

The priest praises God for his mighty acts, and we sing

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The priest continues, recalling the Last Supper.

The Deacon says,

Great is the mystery of faith

We sing

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The priest continues, ending ... for ever and ever

We sing **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

We sit or kneel and say together the Lord's prayer,

**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 forever.**

Amen.

The priest breaks the consecrated 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.

We sing

**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.**

We share in Communion

The people receive communion. Those who do not wish to receive are warmly invited to come forward for an individual blessing. Gluten free wafers are available.

Please come to the front and form a queue. Please be mindful of the safety of others and remain distanced. Communion will be administered in both kinds, on the hand and from the chalice (optional). Please do not intinct (dip) the wafer in the chalice.

Communion will be brought to those seated in the south aisle.

Jesus 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.**

During Communion we sing

**We turn to Christ anew
who hear his call today,
his way to walk, his will pursue,
his word obey.
To serve him as our King
and of his kingdom learn,
from sin and every evil thing
to him we turn.**

**We trust in Christ to save;
in him new life begins:
who by his cross a ransom gave
from all our sins.
Our spirits' strength and stay
who when all flesh is dust
will keep us in that final day,
in him we trust.**

**We would be true to him
till earthly journeys end,
whose love no passing years can dim,
our changeless friend.
May we who bear his name
our faith and love renew,
to follow Christ our single aim,
and find him true.**

The choir sings Locus Iste – Bruckner

Locus iste a Deo factus est,
Inaestimabile sacramentum,
Irreprehensibilis est.

*This place was made by God,
a priceless sacrament;
it is without reproach.*

Silence is kept

The priest says this prayer,

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Sending Out

We sing the concluding hymn. Layla is given a lighted candle.

**Rejoice! the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing;
and triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.**

**Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above:
Lift up your heart, ...**

**His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given:
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.***

**He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet:
*Lift up your heart, ...***

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will,
that you may reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
Layla, you have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.
**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

The Dismissal

The deacon says,

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

You are warmly invited to stay after the service for refreshments.