



The Sunday Sheet *for* The Feast of St Michael & all Angels 29th September 2024

*A very warm welcome as we gather for the **Parish Eucharist**.
An induction loop is provided.*

Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

Entrance Hymn

Angel voices ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless thee
and confess thee
Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest
mortal eye can scan,
can it be that thou regardest
songs of sinful man?
can we know that thou art near us,
and wilt hear us?
yea, we can.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and voices
for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's measure
for thy pleasure
all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer
of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthily
hearts and minds and hands and voices
in our choicest
psalmody.

Honour, glory, might, and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
blessèd Trinity.
Of the best that thou hast given
earth and heaven
render thee.

Francis Potts 1832-1909
Tune: Angel Voices

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Grace and peace be with you
And keep you in the love of Christ.

The Priest gives an introduction to the Eucharist and calls the people to penitence.

Silence is kept

Lord Jesus, you have shown us the way to the Father.
Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you have given us knowledge of your truth.
Christ, have mercy: **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are the good shepherd leading us into life.
Lord, have mercy: **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God have mercy on you,
✠ forgive you and set you free from sin,
and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory in the highest to the God of heaven!
Peace to all your people through the earth be given:
Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring,
Singing alleluias to our heavenly King.

Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son:
With the Holy Spirit, you are Lord alone!
Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear,
Show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer.

Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy one,
Seated now and reigning from your Father's throne:
Lord and God, we praise you; highest heaven adores:
In the Father's glory, all the praise be yours!

Tune: Camberwell

The Collect

Everlasting God,
you have ordained and constituted
the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,
so, at your command,
they may help and defend us on earth;
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.**

Hebrews 1. 5-14

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

To which of the angels did God ever say,
'You are my Son;
today I have begotten you'?

Or again,

'I will be his Father,

and he will be my Son'?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,
'Let all God's angels worship him.'

Of the angels he says,

'He makes his angels winds,
and his servants flames of fire.'
But of the Son he says,
'Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever,
and the righteous sceptre is the sceptre of your kingdom.
You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.'
And,
'In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth,
and the heavens are the work of your hands;
they will perish, but you remain;
they will all wear out like clothing;
like a cloak you will roll them up,
and like clothing they will be changed.
But you are the same,
and your years will never end.'
But to which of the angels has he ever said,
'Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet'?
Are not all angels spirits in the divine service, sent to serve for the sake of those who
are to inherit salvation?

For the word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Please Stand

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth:
he is the King of creation:

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

*Donald Fishel b. 1950
Tune: Alleluia No. 1*

John 1. 47-51

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily

Please Sit

An Affirmation of the Faith.

Please Stand

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Intercession

Please Sit

Appropriate responses may be used, for example

Lord, in your mercy:
hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us:
Lord, graciously hear us.

The Intercession ends with a suitable collect said by the priest, or the following

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Peace

Please Stand

We are all citizens with the saints and belong to the family of God, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of the Lord's peace.

Offertory Hymn

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;
rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;
ye heavens adore him by whom ye were made,
and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth,
in tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth;
praise him who hath brought you his grace from above,
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord re-echo around;
loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone,
and, sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
to him be outpoured all ages along:
for love in creation, for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

Henry Williams Baker 1821-1877 based on Ps.150

Tune: Laudate Dominum (Parry)

The Thanksgiving

We celebrate together the gifts and grace of God.

**We take this bread,
we take this wine
to follow Christ's example
and obey his command.**

Prayer over the Gifts

God of glory,
as you have appointed angels to minister in your presence,
so may all our worship bring you worthy praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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 our thanks and praise.

True and living God, the source of life for all creation,
you have made us in your own image.
Always and everywhere we give you thanks
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him angels sing your praise,
archangels fulfil your commands,
cherubim and seraphim continually proclaim your holiness;
the whole company of heaven glorifies your name
and rejoices to do your will.

With them we proclaim your glory
as we join in their unending hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty.
And we lift our hearts before you
as a token of our love.
Holy, holy, holy, holy.**

**Gracious Father, gracious Father,
Blessed is the one who comes to us
in your name.
And we lift our hearts before you
as we give you thanks and praise.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,
and send your Holy Spirit on
this bread and wine,
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
they may be for us the body and blood of your Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ;
because on the night he was betrayed
he took bread,
and when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples and said,

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;
when he had given you thanks
he gave it to them and said,
Drink this, all of you;
this cup is the new covenant in my blood
poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins:
do this as often as you drink it
in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come in glory.

Therefore, loving God,
recalling now the sacrifice of Christ your Son
once for all upon the cross
and the triumph of his resurrection,
we ask you to accept this our sacrifice of praise.

Send your Holy Spirit on us
that we may be filled with your life and goodness
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom
Unite us in Christ and give us your peace
that we may do your work and be his body in the world.

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Silence is kept

Please Sit

Let us pray with confidence to the Father:

**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.**

The Communion

The priest breaks the bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body
for we all share in one bread.**

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

The Invitation to Holy Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy 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.**

The sacrament is administered with these words:

The body of Christ. **Amen.** The blood of Christ. **Amen.**

All those who are baptised (Christened) are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. Baptised (Christened) children are welcome to receive holy communion at the discretion of their parents.

If you are not receiving you are welcome to come forward for a blessing but please bring this leaflet with you as a signal to the priest.

Hymn at the end of Communion

Bless the Lord, my soul
and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul,
who leads me into life. *Sing through twice*

Taize Community

Silence is kept

Post Communion Prayer

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:
his love is everlasting.

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The Lord bless you and watch over you; the Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord look lovingly on you and give you peace. And the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Final Hymn

Ye holy angels bright,
who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light
fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song,
for else the theme
too high doth seem
for mortal tongue.

Ye blessed souls at rest,
who ran this earthly race,
and now, from sin released,
behold the Saviour's face,
his praises sound,
as in his light
with sweet delight
ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below,
adore your heavenly King,
and onward as ye go
some joyful anthem sing;
take what he gives
and praise him still,
through good and ill,
who ever lives.

My soul, bear thou thy part,
triumph in God above,
and with a well-tuned heart
sing thou the songs of love;
let all thy days
till life shall end
whate'er he send
be filled with praise.

*Richard Baxter 1615-1691
and John Hampden Gurney 1802-1862
Tune: Darwell's 148th*

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Notices

Refreshments. Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can.

Praying for Growth. Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer:

*God of Mission,
Who alone brings growth to your
Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Community Fridge takes place every Sunday from 4-5pm at the Parish Church.

Sunday Sheet. Please take this sheet home with you for the notices for the week and to pray for what is happening in the life of our Church.

Choir Tour. The Cathedral Choir have been given the amazing opportunity of singing in Finland on a choir tour in May next year. We are raising money to make sure this can happen. For more details, and to donate online, please see the following

link: <https://gofund.me/560aa0db>

If you would like to donate in cash or by cheque, please clearly mark your donations 'Choir Finland' and hand to a member of the cathedral team or pop it in the collection plate or donation box

in the cathedral. If you are able to, please share the Go Fund Me page – from the page on the link above, click 'Share' and you can share on social media or copy the link to send to friends and family. Thank you.

Events at St Mary's Cefn

Sunday 29th Sept. 6pm Choral Evensong sung by Cantamus Choir

Harvest Festival is **on Sunday**

6th October at 3.30pm and is a joint service with Capel Cefn Meiriadog. Followed by tea in the Neuadd Owen.

Kentigern Guild. Wednesday 2nd

October at 2.30pm at the Parish Church. Lucille Brain will give a talk entitled 'A Menagerie of Sounds' on historical instruments.

Confirmation. We are planning to start Confirmation preparation during the Autumn. If anyone would like to be confirmed or needs some more information, please speak to Fr. Rex.

Harvest takes place on Sunday 13th October at 9.30am. This will be an invitation service. Please do take some invitation cards and invite people along.

The Week Ahead

30th Monday – Jerome

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Holy Eucharist

5pm Evening Prayer

1st Tuesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

5pm Evening Prayer

6pm Holy Eucharist

2nd Wednesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

10.30am Holy Eucharist

6.15pm Sung Evening Prayer

3rd Thursday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish*

Church

10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish*

Church

12noon Food4Thought *at the Parish*

Church

5pm Evening Prayer

4th Friday – Francis of Assisi

9am Morning Prayer

9.30am Offeren (*Welsh Eucharist*)

6pm Choral Evensong

5th Saturday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer

5pm Evening Prayer

6th Sunday – Trinity 19 (Harvest at the Cathedral & St Mary's Cefn)

9.30am Parish Eucharist

11am Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Choral Evensong

3.30pm Harvest Service *at St Mary's*

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