

**ST PETER & ST PAUL'S
CHURCH, AYLESFORD**



**Short Spoken
HOLY COMMUNION**

Lent 3 - 7th March 2021

Greeting

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

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, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Introduction to the Peace

We proclaim Christ crucified, who, by his weakness, is the power of God and the wisdom of God.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

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 hymn of your unending praise.
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will
come again.**

... Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so 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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

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.**

Preparation

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have given
me, for all the pains and insults you
have borne for me. Since I cannot now
receive you sacramentally, I ask you to
come spiritually into my heart. O most
merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know you more clearly, love you
more dearly, and follow you more nearly,
day by day. Amen.**

Be known to us in breaking bread,
But do not then depart;
Saviour, abide with us, and spread
Your table in our heart.

James Montgomery

Prayer after Communion

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace
to withstand the temptations of the
world, the flesh and the devil, and with
pure hearts and minds to follow you, the
only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Followed by

O God, help us to trust you,
help us to know that you are with us,
help us to believe that nothing
can separate us from your love
revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Lord, in these days of mercy,
make us quiet and prayerful;
in these days of challenge,
make us stronger in you;

in these days of emptiness,
take possession of us;
in these days of waiting,
**open our hearts
to the mystery of your cross.**

Angela Ashwin

Sending

Blessing

May God, who is revealed in weakness
and foolishness, make you strong in faith
and wise in love, walking in the grace and
protection of Jesus Christ.

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.

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