



ST JAMES, HEYSHOTT

**The Order for Holy Baptism
and
Holy Communion**

Welcome to the parish church of St James, Heyshott.

This booklet contains the order of service for Holy Baptism within the Mass (also called the Eucharist, Holy Communion, or the Lord's Supper). The service comprises hymns, readings, and prayers, culminating in baptism with water and the eating and drinking of consecrated bread and wine, in which we receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

Anyone who has been baptized may receive holy communion. If you would like a blessing instead, please bring this booklet up with you. Gluten free wafers are available here: before the service begins, indicate to the person distributing the booklets that you need one.

The congregation actively participates in the Mass, including by singing, speaking, and/or performing actions with our bodies. This booklet contains the instructions for doing this, but do not worry too much if you do not follow them. Also, please do not worry about your children roaming around or any sound that they might make: it is all a joyful noise unto the Lord.

Before the service, this prayer of preparation may be said privately:

**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 Gathering

Please stand to sing the processional hymn.

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

ALL **Amen.**

The Greeting

The priest greets the people:

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL **And also with you.**

Or, from Easter Day to Pentecost:

PRIEST Alleluia. Christ is risen.

ALL **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Prayers of Penitence

The priest introduces the service and invites the people to confess their sins:

ALL Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,

**forgive us all that is past and grant that
we may serve you in newness of life,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

This prayer for God's mercy may also be used:

PRIEST Lord, have mercy.

ALL Lord, have mercy

PRIEST Christ, have mercy.

ALL Christ, have mercy.

PRIEST Lord, have mercy.

ALL Lord, have mercy.

**The priest pronounces absolution, and all respond:
Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

The Gloria is said, except in Advent and Lent.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
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.**

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.
Amen.

The Collect

The priest says:

PRIEST Let us pray.

After a brief pause for silent prayer the priest says the
Collect, to which all respond:

Amen.

The Ministry of the Word

Please sit for the readings.

First Reading

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

ALL Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

ALL Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the hymn.

The Gospel

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL And also with you.

After the Gospel is announced:

ALL Glory to you, O Lord.

After the Gospel the minister says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

Please sit for the homily.

Presentation of the Candidates

The priest invites the candidate, parents, and godparents to stand before the congregation. The priest then asks:

People of God, will you welcome this child and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

ALL With the help of God, we will.

The priest then asks the parents and godparents:

Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith and walk with them in the way of Christ?

P & GP With the help of God, we will.

PRIEST Will you care for them, and help them to take their place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

P & GP With the help of God, we will.

The Decision

The priest then asks the whole congregation:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion
against God?

ALL **I reject them.**

PRIEST Do you renounce the deceit and corruption
of evil?

ALL **I renounce them.**

PRIEST Do you repent of the sins that separate us
from God and neighbour?

ALL **I repent of them.**

PRIEST Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

ALL **I turn to Christ.**

PRIEST Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

ALL **I submit to Christ.**

PRIEST Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth
and the life?

ALL **I come to Christ.**

Signing with the Cross

The priest then makes the sign of the cross on the
candidate's forehead, and then says

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of
Christ crucified.

ALL **Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of
your life.**

PRIEST May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

ALL **Amen.**

All gather around the font.

Prayer over the Water

PRIEST Praise God who made heaven and earth,

ALL **who keeps his promise for ever.**

PRIEST Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

The priest says the prayer over the water, to which all respond

Amen.

Profession of Faith

The priest then asks the whole congregation:

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

ALL **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

PRIEST Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

ALL **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

PRIEST Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

ALL I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Baptism

The priest baptises the candidate with water, saying:

N, I baptize you
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and
of the Holy Spirit.

ALL Amen.

The priest anoints the candidate with oil, saying:

May God, who has received you by baptism
into his Church, pour upon you the riches of
his grace, that within the company of
Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be
renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to
the inheritance of the saints in glory.

ALL Amen.

Commission

**The priest pronounces the commission, and prays for
the candidates, to which all respond**

Amen.

All return to their seats.

Prayers of Intercession

Please kneel if able; otherwise, sit or remain standing.

The priest introduces the prayers:

PRIEST In the power of the Holy Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

This response may be used during the prayers:

Lord, in your mercy

ALL **hear our prayer.**

At the end

PRIEST Merciful Father,

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

The Ministry of the Sacrament

The Peace

Please stand for the Peace.

The priest greets the newly baptised, saying:

PRIEST There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
N, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

ALL **We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

PRIEST 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

ALL **and also with you.**

All are invited to exchange a sign of peace.

The Preparation of the Gifts

**Please stand to sing the offertory hymn as the priest
prepares the altar, after which:**

PRIEST Blessed are you, Lord, God of all
creation. Through your goodness we
have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human
hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

ALL **Blessed be God for ever.**

PRIEST Blessed are you, Lord, God of all
creation. Through your goodness we
have this wine to offer, fruit of the
vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.

ALL **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL **And also with you.**

PRIEST Lift up your hearts.

ALL **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRIEST Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The priest then continues with the Preface, after which all say:

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

Please kneel if able; otherwise sit or remain standing.

The priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer:

PRIEST Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
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 and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU;
THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT,
WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS, AS OFTEN AS YOU DRINK IT,
IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.
Great is the mystery of faith.

ALL

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

PRIEST And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread

and this cup and we thank you for counting us
worthy to stand in your presence
and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather
into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup, so
that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin
Mary, [N], St Catherine of Siena, St Mary
Magdalene, St James, and all the saints, may
praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

ALL **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

PRIEST As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught
us, we are bold to say:

ALL **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.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the bread, saying.

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

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

The priest invites the people to receive communion:

Behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy are those who are called
to his supper.

ALL **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

When the consecrated bread is given the priest says:

The body of Christ,
Amen.

When the chalice is given:

The blood of Christ,
Amen.

After Communion

A short silence may be observed, after which the priest says the Prayer after Communion, and all say:

Amen.

Then all say:

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Giving of a Lighted Candle

The priest lights a candle for the candidate, and says

PRIEST God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

ALL Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.

The Blessing and Dismissal

Stand for the final hymn.

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL And also with you.

The priest says a blessing, to which all respond:

Amen.

PRIEST Go in the light and peace of Christ.

ALL **Thanks be to God.**

