

**Family Mass - Father's Day
18th June 2023**



Entrance Hymn-
All things Bright and Beautiful

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.

1. Each little flow'r that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings:
2. The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning
That brighten up the sky:
3. The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them ev'ry one:
4. The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows where we play,
The rushes by the water
We gather ev'ry day:

Welcome and Procession of the gifts- Read by

Our family life is one of the most important and significant areas of our lives. Family life can bring great happiness but sometimes unhappiness, this Mass is a time to pray for families. We are thankful for the care and love that we get in our families.

We learn a lot about life from our families; the first people we love and the first people we quarrel with are our families. From our families we learn how to get on with others, how to deal with frustrations and how to give and take in day to day life at home. No family is completely happy; every family has its problems...but it is our beginning, our rock, our security.

Jesus himself grew up in a loving family with Mary and Joseph and an extended family of cousins, aunts, uncles, who must have played a large role in his life. In this Mass we pray for families but we especially pray for our fathers and father-figures.

This Father's day we remember and thank all those who give us guidance and love as Saint Joseph would have given to Jesus.

We bring a candle, may our light help people to find and be friends of Jesus.

We bring a globe; we remember our families around the world.

We bring a plant, it has strong roots and new shoots, this represents the strong beginnings our families give us and the opportunities to grow and be nourished by our families.



Gospel Acclamation

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Man shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds out from the mouth of God.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Bidding Prayers

God our Father, We give you thanks and praise for our families- keep them safe. **Lord Hear Us...**

We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; May they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. **Lord Hear Us...**

We pray for those lost or suffering; May they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow. **Lord Hear Us...**

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice. **Lord Hear Us...**

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. **Lord Hear Us...**

We pray for our school and especially for the children making their First Holy Communion this weekend. **Lord Hear Us...**

We ask Mary our Mother, to pray for us and with us as we say: **Hail Mary...**

Offertory Hymn

Come, Lord Jesus, Come

Come Lord Jesus, come
Come take my hands, take them for your work.
Take them for your service Lord
Take them for your glory Lord
Come, Lord Jesus come.
Come Lord Jesus take my hands

Come Lord Jesus, come
Come take my heart, fill it with your love.
Take them for your service Lord
Take them for your glory Lord
Come, Lord Jesus come. Come Lord Jesus take my heart.

Come Lord Jesus, come
Come take my life, take it for your own.
Take them for your service Lord
Take them for your glory Lord
Come, Lord Jesus come.
Come, Lord Jesus, take my life

Communion hymn

Be Still for the Presence of the Lord

Be still for the presence of the Lord
The Holy one is here
Come bow before him now
In 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.

Recessional Hymn-

Shine Jesus Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness, shining
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
Set us free by the truth you now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord, and let there be light

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
From the shadows into your radiance
By the blood I may enter your brightness
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me