

**Lent Mass**  
St Michael and St John's  
Clitheroe

**Tuesday 21st March 2023**  
**Year 3 and Year 5**  
10:00am



*The  
Season  
of  
Lent*



## Entrance Hymn - Follow Me, Follow Me

**Follow me, follow me, leave your home and family,  
leave your fishing nets and boats upon the shore.  
Leave the seed you have sown, leave the crops that you've grown,  
leave the people you have known and follow me.**

1. The foxes have their holes and the swallows have their nests,  
but the Son of Man has no place to lie down.  
I do not offer comfort,  
I do not offer wealth  
But in me will all happiness be found.
2. If you would follow me, you must leave old ways behind.  
You must take my cross and follow on my path.  
You may be far from loved ones,  
You may be far from home,  
But my Father will welcome you at last.

## First Reading Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 (3:25, 34-43)

A reading from Ezekiel

<sup>1</sup> The angel brought me, Ezekiel, back to the entrance of the temple of the LORD, and I saw water flowing out from beneath the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the façade of the temple was toward the east; the water flowed down from the right side of the temple, south of the altar.

<sup>2</sup> He led me outside by the north gate, and around to the outer gate facing the east, where I saw water trickling from the right side.

<sup>3</sup> Then when he had walked off to the east with a measuring cord in his hand, he measured off a thousand cubits and had me wade through the water, which was ankle-deep.

<sup>4</sup> He measured off another thousand and once more had me wade through the water, which was now knee-deep. Again he measured off a thousand and had me wade; the water was up to my waist.

<sup>5</sup> Once more he measured off a thousand, but there was now a river through which I could not wade; for the water had risen so high it had become a river that could not be crossed except by swimming.

<sup>6</sup> He asked me, "Have you seen this, son of man?" Then he brought me to the bank of the river, where he had me sit.

<sup>7</sup> Along the bank of the river I saw very many trees on both sides.

<sup>8</sup> He said to me, "This water flows into the eastern district down upon the Arabah, and empties into the sea, the salt waters, which it makes fresh.

<sup>9</sup> Wherever the river flows, every sort of living creature that can multiply shall live, and there shall be abundant fish, for wherever this water comes the sea shall be made fresh.

<sup>12</sup> Along both banks of the river, fruit trees of every kind shall grow; their leaves shall not fade, nor their fruit fail. Every month they shall bear fresh fruit, for they shall be watered by the flow from the sanctuary. Their fruit shall serve for food, and their leaves for medicine."

The Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

## Gospel Acclamation

**All:**

**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!  
A pure heart create for me, O God,  
and give me again the joy of your help.  
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!**

Father: The Lord be with you.

Us: **And with your spirit.**

Father: A reading from the holy Gospel

Us: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Father: The Gospel of the Lord.

Us: **Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ.**

## Homily:

**Led by Father**

## Bidding Prayers:

Reader: The response is Lord In Your Mercy -Hear Our Prayer

(For the World)

We pray for the World Leaders that they may do all that they can to make sure that all people have enough food to eat. Lord In Your Mercy.....

(For the Community)

We pray for our brothers and sisters throughout the world that all people may be able to get their fair share of the food that God has given for us all. Lord In Your Mercy.....

(For the Church)

We pray for our parish and everyone associated with St Michael and St John's that we may be filled with God's love and share what we have so that all of us have enough food. Lord In Your Mercy....

(For our School)

We pray for all the children in our school that they may have the food they need and that small acts of love will make a big difference. Lord In Your Mercy.....

(For Ourselves)

We pray for ourselves and for our families at this special time of the church calendar. Lord In Your Mercy....

## The Offertory

### The Liturgy of the Eucharist *(Stand up)*

Father: Pray, brethren (brothers & sisters)...

Us: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

Father: The Lord be with you.

Us: **And with your spirit.**

Father: Lift up your hearts.

Us: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Father: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Us: **It is right and just.**

We acclaim;

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. 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.**

*(Kneel)*

*After the Consecration we acclaim the mystery of faith:*

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

### **The Doxology and Great Amen**

Father: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

Us: **Amen.** *(Stand)*

### **The Concluding Rites**

Father: The Lord be with you. Us: **And with your spirit.**

Father: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Us: **Amen.**

### **The Dismissal**

Father: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by the way you live your life.

Us: **Thanks be to God.**

### **Final Hymn- God Forgave My Sin**

1. God forgave my sin in Jesus' name.  
I've been born again in Jesus' name.  
And in Jesus' name I come to you  
To share his love as he told me to

*He said: 'Freely, freely you have received;  
freely, freely give.  
Go in my name, and because you believe,  
others will know that I live.*

2. All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name.  
in earth and heav'n in Jesus' name.  
And in Jesus' name I come to you  
to share his pow'r as he told me to.

**Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another  
to be the best we can be.**