

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

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024**  
**Year 5 & Year 2**  
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: Daniel 3: 25, 34-43.**

A reading from the book of Daniel.

Azariah stood up in the fire and prayed aloud:

"For your name's sake, O Lord, do not deliver us up forever,  
or make void your covenant.

Do not take away your mercy from us,  
for the sake of Abraham, your beloved,  
Isaac your servant, and Israel your holy one,  
To whom you promised to multiply their offspring  
like the stars of heaven,  
or the sand on the shore of the sea.

For we are reduced, O Lord, beyond any other nation,  
brought low everywhere in the world this day  
because of our sins.

We have in our day no prince, prophet, or leader,  
no burnt offering, sacrifice, oblation, or incense,  
no place to offer first fruits, to find favour with you.

But with contrite heart and humble spirit  
let us be received;

As though it were burnt offerings of rams and bullocks,  
or thousands of fat lambs,

So let our sacrifice be in your presence today  
as we follow you unreservedly;  
for those who trust in you cannot be put to shame.

And now we follow you with our whole heart,  
we fear you and we pray to you.

Do not let us be put to shame,  
but deal with us in your kindness and great mercy.

Deliver us by your wonders,  
and bring glory to your name, O Lord."

The word of the Lord.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**All:**

**Even now, says the LORD,  
return to me with your whole heart;  
for I am gracious and merciful.!**

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 all people who are working to build peace in their communities across the world; that they may inspire others and find strength to carry on, even in the hardest times.

Lord In Your Mercy.....

(For the Community)

Father – we pray for local our community. In all we do and say, in our lives with our families, friends and neighbours, let us show that love which is demanded from those who claim to love you – and may you, the Lord of all love – rule in our hearts.

Lord In Your Mercy.....

(For the Church)

Lord God, as Lent begins, we pray for our Church Family. For all who lead and who serve and worship here, all the people who come to our premises that you will help us to seek your Kingdom, that we will stand against evil and seek good, that in our weakness and uncertainty we may know your strength and protection that we may all discover more of your love that never fails, no matter who we are and what our weaknesses.

Lord In Your Mercy....

(For our School)

Come, Lord Jesus, to those who teach our young people; guide all teachers, that they may inspire and encourage those they teach to hear the Gospel and have the courage to follow a life of faith.

Lord In Your Mercy.....

(For Ourselves)

We pray for ourselves. May we use the power of the Holy Spirit to be the best we can be in everything we do.

Lord In Your Mercy.....

We ask our Lady to help as we say...*Hail Mary, full of grace...*

### **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.**

### 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- Freely, freely.

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.**