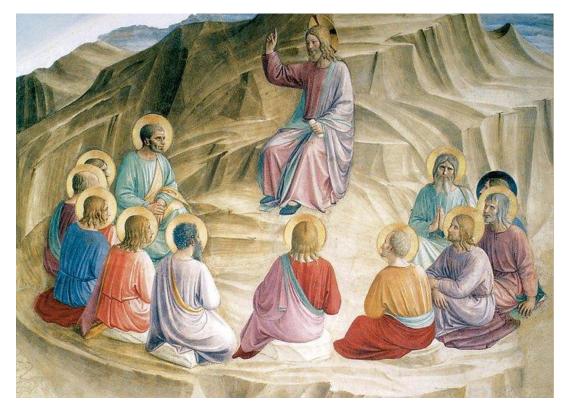


# The Seventh Sunday After The Epiphany Sunday, February 20, 2022

Sung Mass at 9:30 am



*The Sermon on the Mount*, Fra Angelico, c. 1440 Museo di San Marco, Firenze

Saint Thomas's Anglican Church 383 Huron Street, Toronto, Ontario M5S 2G5 416-979-2323 www.stthomas.on.ca office@stthomas.on.ca The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God: Those at the High Altar in loving memory of James and Ethel Baskin, and John Atkinson, by Betty Anne and family.

## **PROVISOS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE**

1. Masks are required. The mask must be an N95, KN95, or acceptable equivalent. Exemptions are allowed as provided for by law; please inform a sidesperson if an exemption applies to you.

2. If you choose to sing, please do so softly.

MUSIC OF THE MASS - New Plainsong Mass, David Hurd

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

## GREETING

*Celebrant*: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

*People*: To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Choir sings:

Kyrie Eleison Christe Eleison Kyrie Eleison

# **KYRIE ELEISON**

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO**

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 OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated.

## FIRST READING: Genesis 45.3-11,15

A reading from the book Genesis:

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

# The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Choir sings:

# **PSALM** 37.1-12,41-42

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong. For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches. Take delight in the Lord, and he shall give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him and he will bring it to pass. He will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday.

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him. Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes. Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil. For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

In a little while the wicked shall be no more; you shall search out their place, but they will not be there. But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; he is their stronghold in time of trouble. The Lord will help them and rescue them; he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him.

## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15.35-38,42-50

A reading from the First Epistle to the Corinthians:

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Praise to you, Lord, King of eternal glory. A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. Praise to you, Lord, King of eternal glory.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6.27-38 The Lord be with you. And also with you. The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

## SERMON

After the Sermon, please remain seated for a period of silent reflection. Please stand when the Celebrant stands.

## THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*People:* We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: (*Bow.*) by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. (*Rise.*)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please remain standing.

# INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Intercessor*: I ask your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for\_\_\_\_\_\_ according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for\_\_\_\_\_\_ according to the Diocesan prayer cycle, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. May God preserve the Church in truth and love.

## silence

# Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: I ask your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our country, province, and city. May God guide us in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

silence

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer. *Intercessor*: I ask your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, and we give thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present with us in person or via livestream; our newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far; and for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_ [We give thanks especially on the anniversary this week of the {baptism of / confirmation of / marriage of / ordination of}\_\_\_\_\_.] May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people.

silence

# Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: I ask your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and all those suffering in mind, body, or estate due to the ongoing pandemic, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord.

silence

# Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: I ask your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially\_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for\_\_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, may rest in peace and rise in glory.

## silence

# Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

*Celebrant*: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

# INVITATION, CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant*: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Please bow or kneel. Silence is kept.

# Celebrant: Most merciful God,

*People:* we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Celebrant*: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

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

## Please remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.

## OFFERTORY HYMN 384 – Praise to the Holiest in the height

- Praise to the Holiest in the height, And in the depth be praise; In all his words most wonderful, Most sure in all his ways.
- 2 O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame, A second Adam to the fight And to the rescue came.
- O wisest love! That flesh and blood, Which did in Adam fail, Should strive afresh against the foe, Should strive and should prevail;
- 4 And that a higher gift than grace Should flesh and blood refine, God's presence and his very Self, And essence all-divine.

**GERONTIUS** 

Rev J.B. Dykes, 1868

- 5 O generous love! that he who smote In Man for man the foe, The double agony in Man For man should undergo,
- 6 And in the garden secretly, And on the Cross on high, Should teach his brethren, and inspire To suffer and to die.
- 7 Praise to the Holiest in the height, And in the depth be praise; In all his words most wonderful, Most sure in all his ways.

Cardinal J.H. Newman, 1866

## **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Merciful God, accept all we offer you this day. Lead us to love you with all our heart, and to love all people with your perfect love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

## The Choir sings:

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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.

## Please remain standing.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

*Celebrant:* Therefore, Father, according to his command:

People: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

*People:* 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. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- *Celebrant:* "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."
- People: Taste and see that the Lord is good; Happy are they who trust in him!

### HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant:The gifts of God for the people of God.People:Thanks be to God.

The Choir sings:

#### **AGNUS DEI**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

All baptized Christians are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion as directed by the Sidespeople.

#### Мотет

'Ave verum corpus,' Stephanie Martin

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, Who has truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mortals, Whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood: Be for us a foretaste of heaven during our final trial. O Jesu sweet, O Jesu merciful, O Jesu, Son of Mary, have mercy upon me. Amen.

(Sequence Hymn for Corpus Christi)

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

## ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesu, hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malicious enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me. And bid me come to thee, That with thy saints I may praise thee, For ever and ever. Amen.

Please stand.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*Celebrant*: Let us pray.

Gracious God, in the eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts, we may show your love in our lives, and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

## CONCLUDING HYMN 470 - Love Divine, all loves excelling

- Love Divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down, Fix in us thy humble dwelling, All thy faithful mercies crown. Jesu, thou art all compassion, Pure unbounded love thou art; Visit us with thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.
- 2 Come, almighty to deliver, Let us all thy grace receive; Suddenly return, and never, Never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve thee as thy hosts above; Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, Glory in thy perfect love.

Pure and spotless let us be; Let us see thy great salvation, Perfectly restored in thee; Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our crowns before thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

3 Finish then thy new creation, HYFRYDOL R.H. Prichard, 1855

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1747