



All Saints BAWDESWELL
Christmas

Family Holy Communion

President: Father Christopher Davies

Music Group: 283 Joy to the world

The president carries the baby to the Crib

In the name of the Father,
And of the Son,
And the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

The president greets the people

The lighting of the final Advent candle

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

Hear the words of the angel to Joseph, "You shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins", therefore let us seek God's forgiveness through Jesus, the saviour of the World.

Please kneel or sit

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

Amen

Absolution

Almighty God,
Who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy on you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Please stand

Music Group: Christmas Gloria – sung to IRIS - Angels from the Realms of Glory

Glory be to God in heaven.
Peace to all throughout the world.
Thanks and praise to God our Father.
Love in action is unfurled.
Gloria in excelsis Deo x 2

Jesus Christ is born among us,
Son of God light of the world.
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Love in action is unfurled.
Gloria in excelsis Deo x 2

Here on earth Christ's life he gave us;
living, dying, ris'n on high.
God we praise your gen'rous spirit.
All our needs you full supply
Gloria in excelsis Deo x 2

The Collect prayer

Please sit for the first reading

Hebrews 1. 1-4 *God's word through his Son*

At the end of this reading the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Music Group: 51 *Away in a manger*

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen his glory. *John 1.14*

All: Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 2.8-20 *The Shepherds and the Angels*

At the end: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please sit for the
Sermon*

Reflection

Music Group: *Mary, did you know?*

Affirmation of faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

Please stand

All: We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.

We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

Prayers of Intercession

Please kneel or sit

Introduction to the Peace

Please stand

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace. *Isaiah 9.6*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: and also with you.

Please sit as the altar is prepared and the Music Group sings

Music group: *Born in the night Mary's child*

The gifts of the people are presented.

Word made flesh, light of the world, in birth you embraced our poverty, by
your spirit may we share your riches. Amen

Please stand for the prayer of consecration

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

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this
wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will
become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever
living God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who for love of our fallen race humbled himself, and at this time was born of
the Virgin Mary, by the power of the Holy Spirit, and lived as one of us.

In this mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused his light to shine in
our hearts to give knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

In him we see our God made visible and so are caught up in the love of God
we cannot see.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the
glory of your name forever praising you and saying....

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus,
your Son.

He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's
body and his blood.

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,

gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his
risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and
more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when
suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the
strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

All: Amen.

The service continues with the Lord's Prayer – Please kneel or sit

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 president breaks the consecrated bread

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.

President: God's holy gift for God's holy people.

All: Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

All are most welcome to receive Holy Communion but if this is not your custom, do please come forward to receive a Blessing. Bring your service sheet with you to indicate just a Blessing.

Music Group: *When a child is born
Let there be peace on earth*

The priest reads the post communion prayer followed by....

All: Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Music Group: 199 *Hark, the herald-angels sing*

Please stand

Blessing

Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one, things earthly and heavenly, fill you with peace and goodwill and make you partakers of the divine nature; and the blessing ...

Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God

Voluntary: Noël X Grand jeu et Duo by Louis Claude Daquin

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Sunday 27th December 1030, Group Holy Communion at Foulsham

Sunday 3rd January 2021 1030, Holy Communion at Bawdeswell