KIDDERMINSTER WEST TEAM MINISTRY



EUCHARIST FOR ADVENT

PRAYER B



GREETING

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

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

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Blessed are you, Sovereign God of all, to you be praise and glory for ever. In your tender compassion the dawn from on high is breaking upon us to dispel the lingering shadows of night. As we look for your coming among us this day, open our eyes to behold your presence and strengthen our hands to do your will, that the world may rejoice and give you praise. Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

When the Lord comes he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore, in the light of Christ, let us confess our sins.

We bring to mind those things in our lives that we regret. Silence is kept

CONFESSION;

God of mercy,
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.
We turn from the wrong
that we have thought and said and done,
and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.
For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,
forgive us for all that is past,
and help us to live each day
in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION; we are assured of God's forgiveness.

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring you his pardon and peace, now and forever. **Amen**

THE COLLECT

The Collect prayer for the day

READINGS;

At the end; For the word of the Lord

We reply; Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight, And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia

At the beginning; Hear the gospel of

our Lord Jesus Christ according to

We reply; Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end; This is the gospel of the Lord

We reply; Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON OR ADDRESS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We stand to declare our faith

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

This response may be used;

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

This ending may be used;

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE PEACE

May the God of peace make you holy, ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We share a sign of peace with one another.

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement; draw us from hatred to love; make the frailty of our praise a dwelling place for your glory. **Amen.**

Or

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.

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.

Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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 Church.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (B)

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

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

The president offers thanksgiving

...forever praising you and saying:

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.

The prayer continues



Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The prayer concludes

... all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Awaiting his coming in glory, as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

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.
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 FRACTION

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ, light of the world,
meet us in our place of darkness.
Christ, light of the world,
meet us in our place of longing.
Christ, light of the world,
meet us in our place of hoping.

Jesus is present with us in this bread.

Jesus now meets us in this cup.

So take this bread and this wine.

In them God comes to us, so that we may come to God.

or

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

If you are used to receiving the bread and wine, you are welcome to receive it here. If not, you are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing; please carry your service sheet or hymn book with you in this case, so that we know what you require.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord our God,
you made the light that scatters the darkness.
Let Christ, the light of lights,
hidden from all eternity,
shine at last on your people
and free us from the darkness of sin.
Fill our lives with joy as we go out
to welcome your Son at his coming.
We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.
Amen

Notices and Banns of Marriage may be read.

BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from your path and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

As we await our coming Saviour, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

