

All Saints' Sunday

INTRODUCTION

PROCESSIONAL HYMN— **197** *New English Hymnal*

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

All respond: Amen.

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

And also with you.

The PRAYERS OF PENITENCE are introduced.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.**

**We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.**

**For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly
repent, have mercy upon 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.
Amen.

KYRIE ELEÏSON is sung.

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS is sung.

**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.**

All remain standing for the COLLECT.

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled
the flame of love in the hearts of the saints:
grant to us the same faith and power of love,
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may
be sustained by their example and fellowship;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who
is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Readings for Year A

FIRST READING

Rev 7.9–17

A reading from the book of Revelation.

After this I looked, and there was a great
multitude that no one could count, from
every nation, from all tribes and peoples and
languages, standing before the throne and
before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm
branches in their hands. They cried out in a
loud voice, saying 'Salvation belongs to our
God who is seated on the throne, and to
the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around
the throne and around the elders and the
four living creatures, and they fell on their
faces before the throne and worshipped
God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and
wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and
power and might be to our God for ever and
ever, Amen!' Then one of the elders addressed
me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white,
and where have they come from?' I said to
him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then
he said to me, 'These are they who have come
out of the great ordeal; they have washed their
robes and made them white in the blood of

the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

from Ps 34

℟. Let the just rejoice in the Lord. (*All repeat*)

I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall ever be on my lips.
I will glory in the Lord;
let the humble hear and rejoice. ℟.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;
let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fear. ℟.

Look upon him and be radiant;
let not your faces be ashamed.
I called in my affliction; the Lord heard me
and saved me from all my distress. ℟.

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who
fear him,
and he will deliver them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him! ℟.

Fear the Lord, you that are his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.
℟.

SECOND READING

1 Jn 3.1-3

A reading from the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be

has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN—**372**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Pet 2.9

Alleluia.

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people: called out of darkness into his marvellous light. *Alleluia.*

GOSPEL READING

Mt 5.1-12

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

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

All stand to recite the NICENE CREED.

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,

(all bow) **was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

(all 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 and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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.

The INTERCESSIONS are introduced, and all kneel. One of these responses may be used:

∇. Lord, hear us. R̄. **Lord, graciously hear us.**
or ∇. Lord, in your mercy, R̄. **Hear our prayer.**

At the Commemoration of the Departed:

∇. Rest eternal ✠ grant unto them, O Lord;
R̄. **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

The Intercessions end:

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

All stand as the priest introduces the PEACE.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN— **478**

The people unite their prayers with the priest, who says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours 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.

Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, you have opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers: come and save your people by the mystery of your body and blood, and bring us with your saints to your eternal glory; who are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 him thanks and praise.

The PREFACE follows.

All respond with the 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.

All kneel. After the Consecration, all acclaim:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, and ends:

... for ever and ever. **Amen.**

RITE OF COMMUNION

The priest introduces the LORD'S PRAYER.

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 priest breaks the Host; AGNUS DEI is sung.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

The priest gives the COMMUNION INVITATION.

Behold 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.

Holy Communion is distributed.

COMMUNION HYMN—**224**

The priest says the POST-COMMUNION prayer.

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONCLUSION

The priest gives the BLESSING and DISMISSAL.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace. **Amen.**

May he give you joy in their fellowship and a share in their praises. **Amen.**

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness and to come to the full radiance of glory. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN—**231**

The service may be followed by the ANGELUS.

∇. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary:

℟. **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

∇. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

℟. **Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Hail Mary ...

∇. And the Word was made flesh:

℟. **And dwelt among us.**

Hail Mary ...

∇. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God:

℟. **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts; that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross ✠ be brought to the glory of his Resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**