

# The Benefice of Bedale



**St George's Day**



## **GREETING**

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

## **HYMN**

On this morning we pray and place before God the life of our nation and our world. We light these candles to remind us that the love of God is like a light in our darkness.

On this St George's Day, we light a candle for all those we cannot be physically present with today. *(Pause as a candle is lit)*  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

We light a candle for all who are sick, all who are in hospital, all who struggle with pain, fear and sadness, lonely or worried and all who are grieving this day. *(Pause as a candle is lit)*  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

And on this St George's Day, we light this candle for all protect and defend others weaker or smaller than themselves.  
*(Pause as a candle is lit)*  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

## **CONFESSION**

As we think of St George we can be encouraged from our reading that Jesus has defeated death and that eternal glory awaits those who live and die for Him.

We are often slow to follow the example of Christ.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

We often fail to be known as Christ's disciples.  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

We often fail to walk the way of the cross.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image to the glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## *PERUVIAN GLORIA*

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father!

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father!**

To God be glory forever! **To God be glory forever!**

Alleluia, Amen! **Alleluia, Amen! X3**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus...

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit...

## *THE COLLECT AND READING.*

## *HYMN, GOSPEL AND ADDRESS*

## *APOSTLE'S CREED*

Since the very beginning of the church there have been times where Christians cannot meet together for all kinds of reasons and yet they can still share faith and prayers together and one of the ways in which we do that is through the words of the creeds. The Creeds remind us of the faith of the church universal, beyond borders and beyond time. Saying the creed reminds us that even when we are separated and dispersed, we share our faith and our prayers with Christians throughout the world and throughout the centuries. And so, let us say the Apostles creed.

Praise God who loves us. **Praise God who cares.**

Let us declare our faith in God.

**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**

We pray for strength to follow Jesus.  
Saviour, we hear your call. **Help us to follow.**

## **THE PEACE**

In the faith of St George in our following of Jesus  
may we be brave and bold and find His peace in our actions.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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.**

It is always right to give you thanks, God our Creator,  
loving and faithful, holy and strong.  
You made us and the whole universe, filling your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour,  
Mary's child, who suffered on the cross;  
he died to save us from our sins; he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world,  
and clothe us with power from on high.

And so we join the angels to celebrate and sing:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty,  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty,  
Who was, and is, and is to come, holy is the Lord.**

Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his  
friends, where He took the bread, and thanked you.

He broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take and eat;  
this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.

He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you.  
This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailling love.

Do this to remember me.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Amen, **Amen, Amen.**

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

Amen, **Amen, Amen.**

For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever.

Amen, **Amen, Amen.**

**Glory, glory, glory to the Lord,  
glory to the Lord God Almighty.**

**Glory, glory, glory to the Lord,  
glory to the Lord God Almighty.**

**Who was, and is, and is to come, Glory to the Lord.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

We pray, using words that Jesus taught us,

**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 BREAKING AND SHARING OF BREAD**

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

## **THE PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION**

Father, thank you for all of the wonderful things  
that you have done here today.

**Thank you for your love that you have shown us  
and that we are able to share together.**

We pray that we will continue to learn and understand  
the words that you have sown within our hearts today.

**Care for these words,  
protect them and help them to take root.  
In time, help your words grow and blossom  
into wonderful things.**

## **FINAL HYMN**

## **BLESSING**

God give you grace to follow his saints  
in faith and love and steadfastness  
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**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

