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.

Intercessions are offered by the Minister and the Collect for the day is said.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.

<u>Bishop</u> To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

We share the peace by waving to one another!

<u>Bishop:</u> The peace of God which passes all understanding, Keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God And of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, And the blessing God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit Be among you and remain with you always

## **Amen**

Minister: Following God's Saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of Christ

Thanks be to God.



St Raphael Community (Aldborough, Boroughbridge, Dunsforth. Minskip and Roecliffe)



at St James 10am Sunday 1st November

## FESTIVAL OF ALL SAINTS

A Service of Prayer, Thanksgiving, Worship, Teaching and Renewal

with Bishop Helen-Ann of Ripon

We stand as the service begins

<u>Bishop</u>: Grace, mercy and peace From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The Bishop welcomes the congregation to her Church and service.

We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

## Hymn: Great is thy faithfulness

(sung by the singing group and signed by the congregation)

We sit and spend a moment reflecting quietly on the week gone past, on all our concerns and anxiety and acknowledging the mistakes we have made. We bring to God too our hopes for the week ahead and our resolve to serve him and our neighbour as we ought.

Minister: Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Lord God,

we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

<u>Bishop</u>: The Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessed is the Lord, for he has heard the voice of our prayer; therefore shall our hearts dance for joy and in our song will we praise our God.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, creator and redeemer of all; to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world and in your great love fashioned us in your image. Now, through the deep waters of death, you have brought your people to new birth by raising your Son to life in triumph.

May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessed be God for ever.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;

let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

Amen.

We hear the first reading: Revelation 7:9 to end.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We listen to the Gradual: The Lord is my Shepherd (Herbert Howell)

We stand to hear the Gospel (Matthew 5:1-12)

Minister: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew **Glory to you Oh Lord** 

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Oh Christ

We hear a sermon or reflection from our Bishop.

The sermon is followed by reflective music as we consider God's word to us.

The Minister introduces the Creed

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.

