Bring us at the last with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint George and all the Saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

+Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

God's Holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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. Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast.

Communion and Spiritual Communion

#### Post Communion prayer

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Blessing and Final Prayer

Let us now leave this time of worship and place of worship, built to the glory of God. Let us go out into the glory of God's creation. Let us seek for the wisdom to understand the rhythm of life, our own rhythms and the rhythms of the earth; **to dance with the Spirit in the joy of God's creation. Amen.** 



# **Rogation Sunday Liturgy**

### (See also Harnham Parish Service of Rogation on 'You Tube')



#### Rogationtide

The minor rogation days are celebrated as the days leading up to Ascension Day a time when Christians prayed for God's blessings on their crops and other aspects of their work on the land. A service was followed by a visit to various places in the parish, often alongside a 'Beating of the Bounds', a very old custom from a time when it was important to know the boundaries of the parish. In many cases food and drink were supplied by the Church or wealthy people within the parish.

George Herbert, described Rogation in the following terms: a blessing of God for the fruits of the field; justice in the preservation of bounds; charity in loving walking and neighbourly accompanying one another, with reconciling differences at that time, if any there be; finally mercy in relieving the poor by a liberal distribution of alms. +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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,

all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Confession and absolution

Let us ask God to have mercy on our tired land, and to prosper the work of our soiled hands. Let us ask God to forgive our delusion of self-sufficiency so that we may praise him for his provision and goodness.

Lord, you give us this good earth, yet we take your generous gifts for granted. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, you give us this good earth, but we squander its rich resources.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, you give us this good earth, but we fail to share your bounty with all of your children. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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** 

# Let us pray the collect prayer:

Almighty God, whose will it is that the earth and the sea should bear fruit in due season: bless the labours of those who work on land and sea, grant us a good harvest and the grace always to rejoice in your fatherly care; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.

### <u>The Word</u>

The Epistle - This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Gospel - Hear the Gospel our Lord Jesus Christ according to ... Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ.

### <u>We affirm our faith</u>

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist? **We believe and trust in him.** 

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again? **We believe and trust in him.** 

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world? **We believe and trust in him.** 

## This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, +Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

## Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

## <u>The Peace</u>

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia! The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you**.

# The Preparation

Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise. **Blessed be God forever.** 

# The Eucharistic 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 thanks and praise. *The prayer continues...* 

Therefore, we join with angels and archangels, and give voice to every creature under heaven, for ever praising you and singing: 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 on the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. The prayer continues ....

Christ is the bread of life. When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory. *The prayer continues ....*