



# Holy Trinity Micklegate

## Evening Prayer on Ash Wednesday

### Preparation

O Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Hear our voice, O Lord, according to your faithful love,  
**according to your judgement give us life.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation, to you be glory and praise for ever. In the darkness of our sin you have shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. Open our eyes to acknowledge your presence, that freed from the misery of sin and shame we may grow into your likeness from glory to glory. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

### Hymn or music

*Refer to the pew sheet for details. The hymn is followed by:*

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,  
**let us pray with one heart and mind.**

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

### The Word of God

#### Psalmody

*The appointed psalmody is said. Followed by:*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**

#### First reading

*The first reading appointed for the day may be read. At the end the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### Canticle - A Song of Christ the Servant

**Christ committed no sin, no guile was found on his lips.**

Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. He committed no sin, no guile was found on his lips, when he was reviled, he did not revile in turn. When he suffered, he did not threaten, but he trusted himself to God who judges justly. Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds, you have been healed, for you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**

**Christ committed no sin, no guile was found on his lips.**

## Second reading

*The second reading appointed for the day may be read. At the end the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The reading is followed by:*

Forsake me not, O Lord; be not far from me, O my God.

**Forsake me not, O Lord; be not far from me, O my God.**

Make haste to help me, O Lord of my salvation.

**Be not far from me, O my God.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**Forsake me not, O Lord; be not far from me, O my God.**

## Gospel Canticle - The Magnificat

**Come, let us return to the Lord, for our God will richly pardon.**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; he has looked with favour on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed; the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name. He has mercy on those who fear him, from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm and has scattered the proud in their conceit, Casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty. He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, to remember his promise of mercy, The promise made to our ancestors, to Abraham and his children for ever.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**

**Come, let us return to the Lord, for our God will richly pardon.**

## Sermon or thought for the day

*On some days there will be a sermon or thought for the day.*

## Prayers

*Intercessions are offered followed by the Collect of the day and the Lord's Prayer.*

Trusting in the compassion of God, 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.**

## Hymn or music

*Refer to the pew sheet for details.*

## The Conclusion

May God our Redeemer show us compassion and love.

**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**