



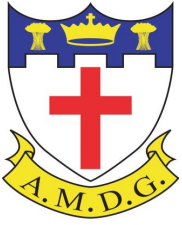
YEAR 11 CELEBRATION MASS

Friday 12th May 2023

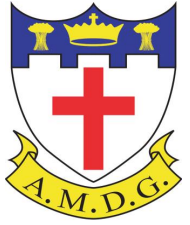


*Principal Celebrant
Fr. Stephen Squires - College Chaplain*

A.M.D.G. – For the Greater Glory of God



WELCOME TO YOUR CELEBRATION MASS



YEAR 11 - 2023

GATHERING HYMN: Breathe

This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe
Your holy presence
Living in me.

This is my daily bread
This is my daily bread
Your very word
Spoken to me.

And I ... I'm desperate for you
And I ... I'm lost without you.

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Living in me.

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WE GATHER

Welcome to our Year 11 Celebration Mass.

We gather today as a Catholic community to remember Jesus' sacrifice and to celebrate our 5 years at this school.

Now is the time to open yourself fully to the presence of God and put aside all other concerns and preoccupations.

Please stand for our opening hymn

ENTRANCE HYMN: I Believe

Our Father everlasting
The All creating One
God Almighty

Through Your Holy Spirit
Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Saviour.

I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in one

I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus.

Our Judge and our Defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You

Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high.

I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in one.

I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus.

I believe in You
I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord.



THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Fr. Stephen: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Fr. Stephen: **Peace be with you. = Can only a Bishop start like this?**

All: And with your spirit.

*Fr. Stephen will briefly introduce the faithful to the Mass
and say some words of welcome.*

PENITENTIAL ACT

Fr. Stephen: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Fr. Stephen: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Fr. Stephen: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Fr. Stephen: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Fr. Stephen: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

THE GLORIA — *(Sung)*

*Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.
Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.*

*We praise you; we bless you; we adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks
for your great glory.*

*Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father, we give you thanks
for your great glory.*

*Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.
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OPENING PRAYER

Fr. Stephen: Let us pray.

All: Amen.

Please sit as the readers go to the lectern.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

During the Liturgy of the Word, we listen to readings from the bible.
The people who wrote these readings were inspired by the Holy Spirit to do so.
Therefore, the Bible is The Word of God, and this helps us to know how God wants us to live.

FIRST READING: A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians

Fill your minds with those things that are good and that deserve praise;
things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely and honourable.
Put into practice what you have learnt and received from me,
both from my words and from my actions.
And the God who gives us peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

God is our shelter and strength

God is our shelter and strength, always ready in times of trouble.
So we will not be afraid, even if the earth is shaken,
and the mountains fall into the ocean depths;
even if the seas roar and rage, and the hills are shaken by the violence.

God is our shelter and strength

There is a river that brings joy to the city of God,
to the sacred house of the Most High.
God is in that city, and it will never be destroyed;
At early dawn he will come to its aid.

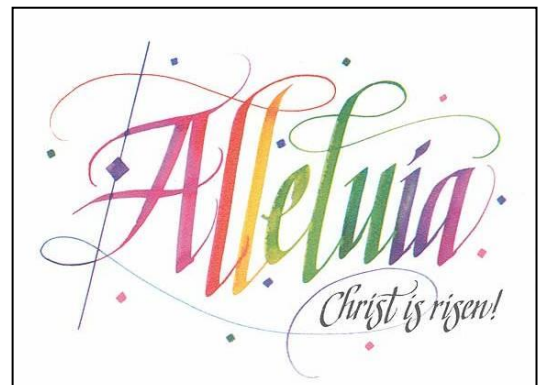
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Please stand to greet the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Sing alleluia to the Lord.
Sing alleluia to the Lord.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia,
Sing alleluia to the Lord. (Repeat)

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
For you have heard my prayer.



GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord.

THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So, he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sing alleluia to the Lord.
Sing alleluia to the Lord.
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia,
Sing alleluia to the Lord.

HOMILY

Please sit as Fr. Stephen gives the homily.

BIDDING PRAYERS

1. We pray for all those who lead the Church, especially our Holy Father, Pope Francis, our Archbishop, Bernard, Fr. Stephen and all of our college chaplains. May they be both kindly shepherds and inspiring preachers of the Word.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

2. We pray for people in the world who are suffering from the effects of war and conflict.
We ask the Lord to be close to them, protect them and send his Spirit into their hearts to help them to walk from the darkness of fear into the light of God's love.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

3. We thank the Lord for our time here at Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College. We are especially grateful for the friendships we have enjoyed, the skills we have learned and the new knowledge that we have gained. We also thank all the staff who have nurtured and cared for us over the past five years.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

4. We pray for everyone attending this Year 11 Celebration Mass today. May they always encounter the gentle love of Jesus in their lives wherever they go, whoever they meet and whatever they do.

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

5. We ask Mary our Mother to guide our decisions and our whole lives as we pray together,

*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.

In a few moments of silence, we offer our own personal prayers and intentions.

Fr. Stephen: Heavenly Father, help us to always follow in the footsteps of Jesus. May we always follow his example and may we come as one today to share with him in his resurrection, through Christ, Our Lord.

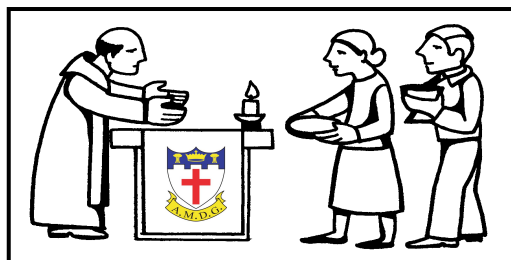
All: Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please sit as Father prepares the gifts at the Altar

THE OFFERTORY

The gifts of bread and wine are brought to the altar. The Priest blesses the bread and wine so that they become the body and blood of Jesus. When he does this, he uses the same words as Jesus said during the Last Supper.



OFFERTORY HYMN – New Wine

In the crushing, in the pressing
You are making new wine.
In the soil, I now surrender
You are breaking new ground.
So I yield to You and to Your careful hand
When I trust You I don't need to understand.

Make me Your vessel, make me an offering
Make me whatever You want me to be.
I came here with nothing but all You have given me,
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.

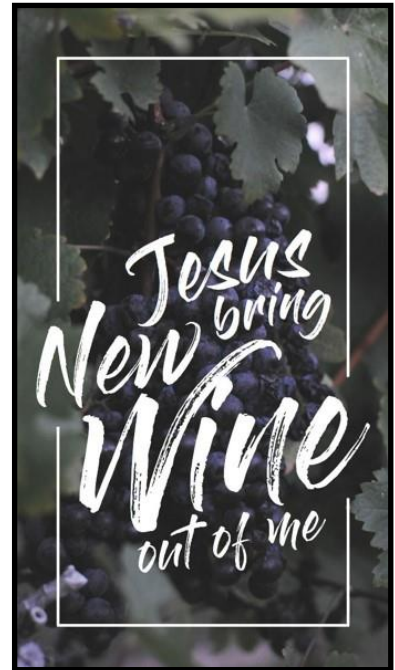
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Make me whatever You want me to be.
I came here with nothing but all You have given me,
Jesus, bring new wine out of me,
Jesus, bring new wine out of me,
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.

'Cause where there is new wine
There is new power.
There is new freedom
The Kingdom is here.
I lay down my old flames
To carry Your new fire today. (x2)

*So make me Your vessel, make me an offering
Make me whatever You want me to be.*

*God I came here with nothing but all You have given me,
Jesus, bring new wine out of me,
Jesus, bring new wine out of me,
Jesus, bring new wine out of me.*



Fr. Stephen: Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**All: 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 holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Fr. Stephen: Grant, we pray, O Lord,
that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries,
so that the renewal constantly at work within us
may be the cause of our unending joy.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER:

Fr. Stephen: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr. Stephen: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Fr. Stephen: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

Fr. Stephen: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Father most holy,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
your Word through whom you made all things,
whom you sent as our Saviour and Redeemer,
incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin.

Fulfilling your will and gaining for you a holy people,
he stretched out his hands as he endured his Passion,
so as to break the bonds of death and manifest
the resurrection.

And so, with the Angels and all the Saints
we declare your glory, as with one voice we acclaim

HOLY HOLY - (*Sung*)

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts. (First verse solo)
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed, blessed, blessed is he,
Who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.



Fr. Stephen: You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall,
so that they may become for us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed
and entered willingly into his passion,
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took the chalice
and, once more giving thanks,
he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Fr. Stephen: The mystery of faith

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH - (Sung)

*We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection (First verse solo)
until you come again, until you come again. (Repeat)*

Fr. Stephen: Therefore, as we celebrate
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,
we offer you, Lord,
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,
giving thanks that you have held us worthy
to be in your presence and minister to you.

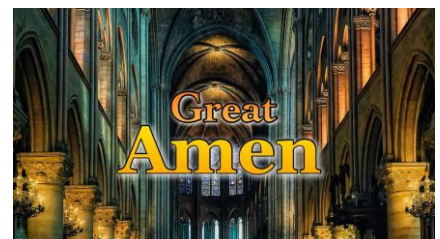
Humbly we pray
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church,
spread throughout the world,
and bring her to the fullness of charity,
together with Francis our Pope and Bernard our Bishop
and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection,
and all who have died in your mercy:
welcome them into the light of your face.
Have mercy on us all, we pray,
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,
with Blessed Joseph, her spouse,
with the blessed apostles, Blessed Edward Oldcorne
and all the saints who have pleased you throughout the ages,
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,
and may praise and glorify you
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever.

All: *Amen,* (Sung)
*We lift our hearts and voices to you
as we say,
Amen,
so shall it be forever Amen. (Repeat)*



THE COMMUNION RITE - *Please stand*

Fr. Stephen: At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

**All: 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.**

Fr. Stephen: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All: For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

Fr. Stephen: Lord Jesus Christ,
who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you;
look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Fr. Stephen: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

LAMB OF GOD - (Sung)

*Lamb of God, (First verse solo)
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
have mercy on us.
Grant us peace.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Fr. Stephen: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.



*All students and staff are invited to come forward to receive
either Holy Communion or a blessing.*

COMMUNION

We will now share communion together by either receiving the Body of Jesus or a blessing.

This is a most special time within the Mass and should be treated with great reverence. Father and Mr. McCormack will now outline how we should respond during communion.

COMMUNION HYMN (1) – This is Communion

This is communion, Your body broken
The cup we're drinking is bittersweet
The gift of friendship, truest salvation
Borne of Your suffering on Calvary.

We remember the sacrifice of love
We remember the blood poured out for us
We remember the only Son of God upon the cross

From stained to spotless, from wrath to favour
Through You our Saviour, the work complete.
In full repentance, led by Your kindness
Partake of presence as we receive.

We remember the sacrifice of love
We remember the blood poured out for us
We remember the only Son of God upon the cross
We remember the price You had to pay
We remember the wounds that made a way
We remember the Lamb for all was slain upon the cross.

(Choir)

How can it be, there is a table
For all who would come, for all who would come
Taste now and see, there is a table
For all who would come, for all who would come.

How can it be, there is a table (Take of the bread, receive the cup)
For all who would come (For His mercy is enough)
For all who would come (For the many and the one)
(This is communion)
Taste now and see, there is a table (Take it as often as you will)
For all who would come (For His blood has power still)
For all who would come (By His wounds we shall be healed)
(This is communion) x3

We remember the sacrifice of love
We remember the blood poured out for us
We remember the only Son of God upon the cross
We remember the price You had to pay
We remember the wounds that made a way
We remember the Lamb for all was slain upon the cross.



COMMUNION HYMN (2) – Amazing Grace – Broken Vessels

All these pieces
Broken and scattered
In mercy gathered
Mended and whole.
Empty-handed
But not forsaken
I've been set free
I've been set free

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me,
I once was lost
But now I'm found
Was blind but now I see.

Oh, I can see it now
Oh, I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying yourself down
Raising up the broken to life.

You take our failure
You take our weakness
You set Your treasure
In jars of clay.
So take this heart, Lord
I'll be Your vessel
The world to see
Your life in me.

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Was blind but now I see.



WE GO FORTH

We thank you Lord for our time here at Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College. We are especially grateful for the friendships we have enjoyed, the skills we have learned and the new knowledge that we have all gained.

We thank all the staff who have nurtured and cared for us over the past five years, we look forward with optimism to our journey ahead, striving to do everything we can For the Greater Glory of God.

FINAL BLESSING:

Please stand for the prayer after Communion.

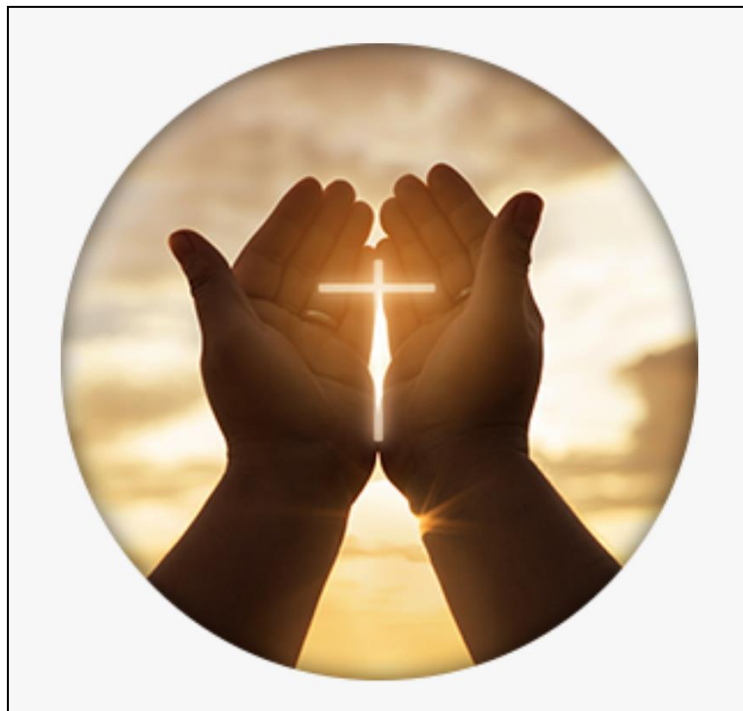
Fr. Stephen: Let us pray.

Lord, we ask you to pour out your Spirit of Wisdom on these young people.

Above all, be with them throughout their whole lives, both in success and failure. May your love be upon them in everything that they go on to do.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.



COLLEGE PRAYER

God our Father,
You filled Blessed Edward Oldcorne
with the strength and courage
to be a witness to Christ,
and in doing so he became a martyr.
Grant us a share in that same strength,
that we may daily take up our cross and follow you.
Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Fr. Stephen: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Fr. Stephen: May almighty God bless you,
the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Fr. Stephen: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN: Come let us go.

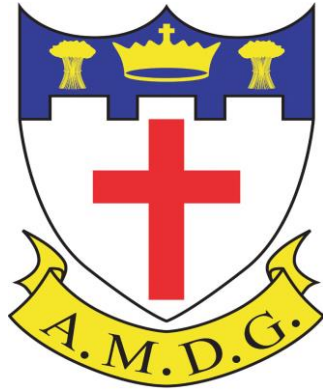
*Come let us go, up to the mountain of the Lord
to the temple of His Holy Spirit.
Come let us go up to the mountain of the Lord
and Glorify His Holy name.*

Through noise and confusion,
Our witness shall be heard.
We raise our voices,
to proclaim your holy Word.

*Come let us go, up to the mountain of the Lord
to the temple of His Holy Spirit.
Come let us go up to the mountain of the Lord
and Glorify His Holy name.*

Heavenly Father,
Receive my brokenness.
Change me re-arrange me,
Restore my worthiness.
Come let us go...

CLOSING REMARKS - Mr. McClarey



*WISHING YEAR 11 2023
ALL THE SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS
THAT YOU DESERVE.*



*You are welcome to keep this order of service as a memento
of your attendance at this 2023 Celebration Mass
for Year 11 at Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College.*

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