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THE FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

Welcome to St. Peter & St Paul's Church.

The words printed in **bold** are usually said or sung by all.

Please stand or sit during the service as you feel comfortable. If you are unsure about what to do or where to be during the service, please ask someone.

Children—Most weeks 'Little fishes' our group for younger children runs in the church rooms through the doors in the back of the church. At the back right hand side of the church there are toys and books for toddler and young children. Feel free to get up at any point through the service and make use of them.

Hearing loop – Is available in the pews. Please select the 'T' position.

Toilets – can be found through the doors at the back of the church.

Refreshments – after the service, we share refreshments together. You are warmly invited to have a drink and a chat - but if you'd rather slip away, that's OK too.

The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels

Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the three named biblical angels, depicted as the beloved messengers of God. Michael, which means 'who is like God?', is described as protector of Israel and leader of the armies of God and is perhaps best known as the slayer of the dragon in the Revelation to John. He is regarded as the protector of Christians particularly those at the hour of death. A basilica near Rome was dedicated in the fifth century in honour of Michael . Our celebration today reminds us that we worship not only as a gathered community here in Bromley, but that our praise is joined with those across the earth and in in heaven.

God give you the will to live each day
in life eternal.

Amen.

God make you citizens of heaven,
with the whole company of the redeemed.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

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

The Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

**Faithful God,
in baptism you have adopted us as your children,
made us members of the body of Christ
and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom:
we thank you that in this Eucharist
you renew your promises within us,
empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve,
and send us out as disciples of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Notices for the week are given

*We stand for the final **hymn***

The Dismissal

God bring you to the home
that Christ prepares for all who love him.

Amen.

The Gathering

After a short time of silence for private prayer, words of welcome are given and the opening hymn is announced.

*As we are able, we stand to sing the opening **hymn**.*

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

The Lord be with you
and also with you

Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

We confess our Sins

We have come to Mount Zion,
the city of the living God,
the heavenly Jerusalem,
to myriads of angels,
to God, the judge of all,
and to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

A moment of Silence

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Woe is me, for I am lost;
I am a person of unclean lips.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Our guilt is taken away,
and our sin is forgiven.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who in his great mercy
has promised forgiveness of sins

The Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

The Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

We receive Holy Communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table to receive the bread and the wine, the body and blood of Christ. Gluten free wafers and non-alcoholic communion wine are available in the chapel on the right hand side of the church.

If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion you are very welcome to receive a blessing, come forward and keep your hands by your side.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Michael and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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 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.**

The breaking 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.**

to all those who with heartfelt repentance and true faith
turn to him:

have mercy on you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and bring you to everlasting life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

We stand to sing the Gloria

**Gloria to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The Collect

Let us pray.

Everlasting God,
you have ordained and constituted
the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,
so, at your command,
they may help and defend us on earth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

The Liturgy of the Word

Bible Readings

We sit as we hear readings from the bible

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

*As we are able we stand to sing a **hymn** and after remain standing to hear the Gospel proclaimed.*

Alleluia, alleluia.

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,
you ministers of his who do his will.

Alleluia.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Truly it is right to praise you, to bless you, to worship you, to give thanks to you Father, creator of all things, the fountain of life and immortality.

For you created us in your image and likeness and after we transgressed you did not abandon us, but sent your only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, into the world. He came down from heaven and was made flesh by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary. He dwelt among us and through his death, freely offered for the life and salvation of the world, brought about our renewal and raised us up.

For this you are praised by the heavens, by all the heavenly host, by the sun, the moon, the stars, the earth, the seas and all that it is them. By angels, archangels, thrones, dominions and powers, by the many-eyed cherubim, and the six-winged seraphim, who ever cry to each other with unceasing praises:

And so we join our voices with them, singing the victorious hymn of your majestic glory

**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 in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*

At the end of the reading the minister says

This is the Gospel of the Lord

The Sermon.

We sit for the Sermon

The Creed

We stand to proclaim the faith of the church

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**

and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

The Prayers of Intercession

*The prayers are led by a member of the Church family.
The following response may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

The prayers may end as follows:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We stand as the president introduces the peace

Hear again the song of the angels:
'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you

The minister says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

*All may share the peace by shaking hands and saying 'Peace be
with you'*

*We remain standing to sing a **hymn** during which a collection is taken
to support the work of the church. Bread and wine are placed upon
the table as it is prepared for the Eucharist.*

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 for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.