## Celebrating St. Valentine



The Parish Church of St. Wilfrid, Mobberley

## St. Wilfrid's Mobberley Celebrating St. Valentine Sunday 13rd February

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

Hymn 253 - For the beauty of the earth

Preparation

Praise God! For the Lord our God the almighty reigns! **Let us rejoice and be glad and give him the glory.**Happy are those who have been invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb.

Amen. Praise the Lord!

Confession

God shows his love for us glory in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Come, let us return to the Lord and say Lord our God, in our sin we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.
Have mercy on us; deliver us from judgement; bind up our wounds and revive us; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Collect

God of wonder and of joy:
grace comes from you,
and you alone are the source of life and love.
Without you, we cannot please you;
without your love, our deeds are worth nothing.

Send your Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, that we may worship you now with thankful hearts and serve you always with willing minds; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The 1st Reading - 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 4

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the LORD is God.

It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

The 2nd Reading - Luke 10:25 -28

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 433 - Give me joy in my heart

The Address

Let us declare our faith in God:

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Hymn - Such love

Such love, pure as the whitest snow Such love, weeps for the shame I know Such love, paying the debt I owe O Jesus, such love.

Such love, stilling my restlessness Such love, filling my emptiness Such love, showing me holiness O Jesus, such love.

Such love, springs from eternity Such love, streaming through history Such love, fountain of life to me O Jesus, such love.

**Prayers** 

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, as we pray in the words you gave us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that 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.

Prayers of Intercession

We pray for the family of the Church, for loving relationships, and for the life of families around us, saying Jesus, Lord of love,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, born in poverty and soon a refugee, be with families today who are poor and live in hunger and want in our country and throughout the world. Jesus, Lord of love,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, as you grew in wisdom and in favour with God and the people in the family of Joseph the carpenter, bring wisdom and the presence of God into the work and growth of families today. We especially think of this time of all those involved in the education and care of our children, whether in school or at home.

Jesus, Lord of love, in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, as you blessed marriage in the wedding at Cana, be with those preparing for marriage this year, especially for Scott and Sadie, Robert and Phoebe whose banns are read today.

Jesus, Lord of love, in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, as you healed Peter's mother-in-law, bring healing to those in our families who are ill today especially all we know who have COVID 19, that they may recover and be aware of your healing powers. We especially pray for those in hospital and the residents of our local care homes. We pray that all may be kept safe in these worrying times.

Jesus, Lord of love, in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, when you were dying you called Mary and John to care for one another, provide today for those who lose their loved ones: the bereaved and childless, orphans and widows. We pray for the families of those who have passed away, including...

Father, your Christ is the one in whom faithful servants find their peace: look in mercy on the departed, that they may see your salvation.

Jesus, Lord of love, in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, as you ate breakfast on the beach with your disciples after you were raised from the dead, bring the whole Church on earth and in heaven into your risen presence to eat at the eternal banquet.

Jesus, Lord of love, in your mercy, hear us, accept our prayers and be with us always. Amen. 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.

Heavenly Father,
We offer you our souls and bodies,
our thoughts and words and deeds,
our love for one another.
Unite our wills in your will,
that we may grow in love and peace
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending Out

God the Holy Trinity
make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side,
and guide you in truth and peace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Hymn 453 - Great is thy faithfulness

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