



**Parishes of Bickleigh
& Shaugh Prior**

Morning Prayer

on a Sunday in
Lent

Please respond with the words in bold

Preparation

A bell is rung

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

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.

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

The officiant welcomes the congregation, after which a hymn may be sung

Penitential Rite

'The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart he will not despise. Our sin is always before us: we acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

God of mercy, we acknowledge that we are all sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and help us to live each day in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Song of Penitence

Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness; •
according to the abundance of your compassion
blot out my offences.

**Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness •
and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I acknowledge my faults •
and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you only have I sinned •
and done what is evil in your sight,**

So that you are justified in your sentence •
and righteous in your judgement.

**Cast me not away from your presence •
and take not your holy spirit from me.**

Give me again the joy of your salvation •
and sustain me with your gracious spirit;

**Then shall I teach your ways to the wicked •
and sinners shall return to you.**

Deliver me from my guilt, O God,
the God of my salvation, •
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.

from Psalm 51.1-5, 12-15

A hymn may be sung

Psalms

The appointed psalmody is said from the Psalms sheet: the officiant says the odd verses and the congregation respond together with the even verses, said slowly and with a small pause at the end of each line.

Each psalm ends with

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.

Old Testament Canticle

Ending with

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Scripture Reading

Either of the first or second readings may be used. The Gospel appointed for the Day is always read. At the end of each reading

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

The reader then leads with this responsory

**To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust.**

**You are the God of my salvation,
To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**

**In you I hope all the day long.
O my God, in you I trust.**

**Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust.**

from Psalm 25

Gospel Canticle: The Benedictus (Luke 1: 68-79)

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel!
He has visited his people and redeemed them.**

**He has raised up for us a mighty saviour in the
house of David his servant,
as he promised by the lips of holy people,
those who were his prophets from of old.**

**A saviour who would free us from our foes,
from the hands of all who hate us.
So his love for our ancestors is fulfilled
and his holy covenant remembered.**

**He swore to Abraham our father to grant us,
that free from fear, and saved
from the hands of our foes,
we might serve him in holiness and justice
all the days of our life in his presence.**

**As for you little child, you shall be called
a prophet of God, the Most High.
You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways
before him,**

**To make known to his people their salvation
through forgiveness of all their sins,
the loving kindness of the heart of our God
who visits us like the dawn from on high.**

**He will give light to those in darkness,
those who dwell in the shadow of death,
and guide us into the way of peace.**

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.

