



**All Age Worship at St. Nicholas, Sutton
for Mothering Sunday at 10.30am on 14 March 2021**

GATHERING TOGETHER

Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you.
All and also with you.

Words of welcome

We prepare to worship

**All 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 say we are sorry

Brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate,
let us call to mind our sins.

God be gracious to us and bless us,
and make your face shine upon us:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on the earth,
your saving power among the nations:
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

We are forgiven

May almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Collect (prayer of the week) for Mothering Sunday

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence
to bind together and to heal;
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.

All Amen.

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Reading from the Bible Exodus 2.1-10

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading John 19.25b-27

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Talk

Creed (Statement of Belief)

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**All 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.**

Praying for ourselves and others

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for his goodness

Lord in your mercy

All Hear our prayer

At the end we say

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers, for the sake of your son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Sharing God's Peace

God is love

and those who live in love live in God
and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All And also with you.

**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.**

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants, give you most humble and hearty thanks
for all your goodness and loving kindness.
We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful,
and that we show forth your praise,
not only with our lips but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the
Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

May God, who gave birth to all creation, bless *us*:
may God, who became incarnate by an earthly mother, bless *us*:
may God, who broods as a mother over her children, bless *us*.
May almighty God bless *us*, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. **Amen.**