

ST. BRIDE'S PARISH CHURCH*

(Rosevale St., Partick, Glasgow, W.1)

The church was founded in 1897 by Dr. John MacLeod of Govan. The architect, Macgregor Chalmers, designed a building in which the Catholic tradition of worship would be fully effected.

The nave is broad, with no pillars to obscure the view of the Communion Table. A central passage leads to the spacious chancel two steps above the floor level, with prayer desks and choir stalls right and left. The Table stands two steps above these.

There is a side gallery running the length of the nave, but recessed thus providing beneath it a side aisle used as a chapel for special services.

The interior walls are red sandstone; chairs furnish the nave, and oak panelling and furnishings the chancel.

The congregation is used to a 'responsive' order of service. Holy Communion is celebrated at the morning service monthly and at the great festivals. The Apostles' Creed is part of the weekly service, and the Nicene Creed is used at the Communion service along with the 'Sanctus' sung by the congregation.

There is a baptistry apse at the west end of the nave, towards which the congregation turns when baptisms take place during the morning service.

Here follow the Orders of Service as used at St. Bride's.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Before service begins, silence should be kept while heart and mind are made ready for worship. Quiet reverence should be shown throughout.

Metrical Psalm.

Call to Prayer.

Prayers: Adoration or Invocation. *Amen.*

Confessions of sins. *Amen*

Proclamation of forgiveness. *Amen*

Versicles: O Lord, open Thou our lips.

(sung) *R/* And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

R/ As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen*

* Notes supplied by the Minister, Rev. C. G. Inglis, M.A.



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Prose Psalm (ending with Gloria).

Lesson: Old Testament and/or Epistle.

Paraphrase (ending with Gloria).

Gospel: (ending with ascription of praise).

APOSTLES' CREED

Salutation: The Lord be with you.

R/ And with thy spirit.

Prayers: Collect for grace to fulfil the Word. *Amen*

(Thanksgiving. *Amen*)

Dedication in service of God. *Amen*

Lord have mercy upon us.

R/ Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymn.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Amen

Sermon: ending with ascription of praise. *Amen*

Hymn.

Prayers: Intercessions for all men. *Amen*

Commemoration of faithful departed. *Amen*

Intimations and Offering.

Prayer: Dedication of Offering (all standing). *Amen.*

BENEDICTION

Note: The Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the responses (*R/*), and *Amen* are repeated or sung by ALL THE CONGREGATION.

Silence is observed while the offering is made and after the Benediction until the Minister has left the Church.

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

Metrical Psalm or Hymn.

Call to Prayer.

Prayers: Confession of sins. *Amen*

Collect for purity. *Amen*

Collect for sanctification. *Amen*

Hymn: Benedictus (714) or Gloria in excelsis (717).

Epistle and Gospel.

NICENE CREED

Hymn.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Amen

Sermon: ending with ascription of praise. *Amen*

Invitation: All Christians are invited to partake.

The Offering is made.

Prayers: Dedication of Offering (all standing). *Amen*

The Grace . . . be with us all. *Amen*

Great Entrance: Ps. 24, 7-10. Ye gates, lift up your heads on high.
(during this psalm the elements are brought in).

Salutation: The Lord be with you.

R/ And with thy spirit.

Offertory: Prayer of dedication. *Amen*

Sursum Corda: Lift up your hearts.

R/ We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

R/ It is meet and right so to do.

Prayer of thanksgiving.

Sanctus: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD OF SABAOOTH. HEAVEN AND
(sung) EARTH ARE FULL OF THE MAJESTY OF THY GLORY,
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. BLESSED IS HE THAT COMETH IN
THE NAME OF THE LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

Consecration: Prayer of Consecration during which the Bread is
broken and the Cup is shewn.

Great intercession and remembrance of faithful
departed. *Amen*

Lord's Prayer: The Lord's Prayer is said by all. *Amen*

Hymn.

Humble Access: Prayer of Humble Access.

Sancta Sanctis: Holy things for holy persons.

R/ There is one holy, even one Lord Jesus
Christ, in whom are we to the Glory of God the
Father.

Agnus Dei: Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world

R/ Have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world

R/ Have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world

R/ Grant us Thy peace.

Pax: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. *Amen*

TAKE YE, EAT YE, THIS IS THE BODY OF CHRIST WHICH IS BROKEN FOR
YOU. THIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF HIM.

THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN THE BLOOD OF CHRIST WHICH IS
SHED FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS. DRINK YE ALL OF IT.

Prayer of thanksgiving and for continued grace. *Amen*

Ps. 103, 1-5. O thou my soul bless God the Lord. *Amen*

BENEDICTION

Note: The congregation stand while the vessels are being removed from the Holy Table and they remain in silent meditation until prayer has been offered in the Chapel.

Several parts of the service have been given their Latin names to show their long ancestry and the unbroken tradition with the early Church.

RESPONSES THAT MAY OCCASIONALLY BE USED

With	O God, make our hearts clean within us.
supplication	R/ And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.
With	O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good.
thanksgiving	R/ For His mercy endureth for ever.
With	O Lord, hear our prayer.
intercession	R/ And let our cry come unto Thee.

These Orders of Service are printed to help you to take active and intelligent part in the worship of the Church. No service can mean anything to one who merely attends a church or is present as a spectator. All Christian worship is the response of body and soul to God's revelation of Himself. In the ordinary service that revelation is embodied in the Word of God that comes to the hearing ear and the understanding heart through the reading of the scripture and the true preaching of the Word. In the Holy Communion the Gospel is shewn forth in the Bread and Wine, the Body and Blood of the Word of God made Flesh, broken and spilt for man's salvation and man's peace. Expectant faith waits upon the revelation and responds wholeheartedly. Without expectancy and without faith the Word is veiled and hidden, there can be no response, and worship is dead and barren. In St. Bride's, ample opportunity is given for all to share fully in worship, and when the responses are familiar and come readily to the lips, the worship of the congregation is enriched and each heart made glad, to the glory of God.