All Saints' Margaret Street

THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM



MAUNDY THURSDAY High Mass of the Lord's Supper

28th March 2024 6.30pm

PRAISE to the Holiest in the height, And in the depth be praise, In all his words most wonderful, Most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame, A second Adam, to the fight And to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood, Which did in Adam fail, Should strive afresh against their foe, Should strive and should prevail;

And that a higher gift than grace Should flesh and blood refine, God's presence and his very self, And essence all-divine.

O generous love! that he who smote In Man for man the foe, The double agony in Man For man should undergo;

And in the garden secretly, And on the cross on high, Should teach his brethren, and inspire To suffer and to die.

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> St John Henry Newman 1801-1890 CHORUS ANGELORUM Arthur Somervell 1863-1937

The choir sings **THE INTROIT**

THE INTRODUCTION & GREETING

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

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against thee and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life to the glory of thy name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The choir sings **KYRIE ELEISON**

Kyrie eleison Christe eleison Kyrie eleison Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy Lord, have mercy

MISSA BREVIS Dieterich Buxtehude 1637-1707

Bells are rung as the choir sings **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

God our Father, who hast invited us to share in the supper which thy Son hath given to his Church that it may proclaim his death until he comes: may he nourish us by his presence, and unite us in his love; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen. THE FIRST READING** *Exodus* 12.1-4, 11-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

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

The choirs sings **PSALM 116.10-16**

10. I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars. 11. What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12. I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13. I will pay my vows now in the presence of all His people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14. Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant : I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15. I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16. I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

THE SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 11.23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!** *A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another;* as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. Praise to you...

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 13.1-17, 31-35

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.** Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord – and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to thee, O Christ. THE SERMON** *Fr. David Houlding*

THE PEDILAVIUM

The Celebrant washes the feet of twelve members of the congregation, as the choir sings:

THE PROPER CHANTS

After the Lord had risen from supper, he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of his disciples: he left them this example.

The Lord Jesus, after eating supper with his disciples, washed their feet and said to them: Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done for you? I have given you an example, that you should do likewise.

Lord, are you to wash my feet? Jesus said to him in answer: If I do not wash your feet, you will have no share with me.

If I, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, how much more should you wash each other's feet?

This is how all will know that you are my disciples: if you have love for one another. I give you a new commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you, says the Lord.

Where charity and love are, there is God. The love of Christ hath joined us in one. Let us rejoice and be glad in him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. Let us love one another in sincerity of heart. Amen.

Maurice Durufle 1902-86

THE PEACE

A new commandment I give unto you, saith the Lord: That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And with thy spirit.**

THE OFFERTORY

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received; the memorial of his passion is renewed; the soul is filled with grace; and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

Thomas Tallis 1505-85

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; that he may render our sacrifice acceptable in thy sight; who as on this day commanded his disciples, saying, Do this in remembrance of me; even Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen. THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God. **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Eucharistic Prayer continues

The choir sings **SANCTUS** & **BENEDICTUS**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory, Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Missa XVIII Deus Genitor Alme

The Eucharistic Prayer continues.

Jesus Christ is Lord: O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

The canon concludes: O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The choir sings **AGNUS DEI**

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Missa XVIII Deus Genitor Alme

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The choir sings **THE COMMUNION CHANT**

Holy Communion is distributed at the High Altar.

All sing THE COMMUNION HYMN

NEH 270

ACCORDING to thy gracious word, In meek humility, This will I do, my dying Lord, I will remember thee.

Thy body, broken for my sake, My bread from heav'n shall be; Thy testamental cup I take, And thus remember thee.

Gethsemane can I forget? Or there thy conflict see, Thine agony and bloody sweat, And not remember thee?

When to the cross I turn mine eyes, And rest on Calvary, O Lamb of God, my sacrifice, I must remember thee.

Remember thee, and all thy pains, And all thy love to me: When thou shalt in thy kingdom come, Jesus, remember me.

And when these failing lips grow dumb, And mind and memory flee, When thou shalt in thy kingdom come, Jesu, remember me.

James Montgomery 1771-1854 BANGOR *Ps.xii in Harmony of Syon 1734, William Tans'ur*

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank thee that in this wonderful sacrament thou hast given us a memorial of thy passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruits of thy redemption; for thou livest and reignest, now and for ever. **Amen.** *All kneel as the choir sings* **THE MOTET**

Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood: Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary. Have mercy on me. Amen.

William Byrd 1543-1623

THE PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR OF REPOSE

After a period of silent adoration, the Blessed Sacrament is carried in procession to the Altar of Repose, where the Watch will be kept.

All sing

Of the glorious body telling, O my tongue, its mysteries sing, And the blood, all price excelling, Which the world's eternal King, In a noble womb once dwelling, Shed for this world's ransoming.

Given for us, for us descending, Of a virgin to proceed, Man with man in converse blending, Scattered he the gospel seed, Till his sojourn drew to ending, Which he closed in wondrous deed.

At the last great supper lying Circled by his chosen band, Duly with the law complying, First he finished its command, Then, immortal food supplying, Gave himself by his own hand.

Word-made-flesh, by word he maketh Bread his very flesh to be; Man in wine Christ's blood partaketh: And if senses fail to see, Faith alone the true heart waketh To behold the mystery.

The Blessed Sacrament is placed on the Altar of Repose.

All sing TANTUM ERGO

Therefore we, before him bending, This great sacrament revere: Types and shadows have their ending, For the newer rite is here; Faith, our outward sense befriending, Makes the inward vision clear. **NEH 268**

Glory let us give and blessing To the Father and the Son, Honour, might and praise addressing, While eternal ages run; Ever too his love confessing, Who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

> St Thomas Aquinas 1227-74 PANGE LINGUA Mode iii

The Blessed Sacrament is censed. There is a period of silent prayer. The Blessed Sacrament is then placed in the tabernacle, and the altar party return to the Sanctuary without ceremony.

THE STRIPPING OF THE SANCTUARY

Psalm 22 is sung as the ministers and servers remove the furnishings of the Sanctuary.

THE WATCH OF THE PASSION begins.

Could ye not watch with me one hour? Matthew 26.40

Please leave the church in silence.