

ALL SAINTS' MARGARET STREET

# HOLY TUESDAY



## LOW MASS

### WITH HOMILY

31<sup>st</sup> March, 2026

6.30pm

§ *All stand when the bell rings.*

**THERE is a green hill far away,  
Without a city wall,  
Where the dear Lord was crucified  
Who died to save us all.**

**We may not know, we cannot tell  
What pains he had to bear,  
But we believe it was for us  
He hung and suffered there.**

**He died that we might be forgiven,  
He died to make us good;  
That we might go at last to heaven,  
Saved by his precious blood.**

**There was no other good enough  
To pay the price of sin;  
He only could unlock the gate  
Of heaven, and let us in.**

**O dearly, dearly has he loved,  
And we must love him too,  
And trust in his redeeming blood,  
And try his works to do.**

C.F. Alexander, 1818-1895

**HORSLEY**

W. Horsley, 1774-1858

## INTRODUCTION & GREETING

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

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

§ *The priest may introduce the Mass informally, and invite the faithful to call to mind their sins. A sentence precedes each petition.*

Lord, have mercy    **Lord, have mercy**  
Christ, have mercy    **Christ, have mercy**  
Lord, have mercy    **Lord, have mercy**

§ *Absolution is then given, to which all respond: Amen.*

## THE COLLECT

Almighty and ever-living God, grant us so to celebrate the mysteries of the Lord's Passion that we may merit to receive your pardon. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

§ *All sit.*

## FIRST READING *Isaiah 49.1-7*

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.' But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.' And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.' Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

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

## PSALMODY 71

**My mouth will tell of your salvation, O Lord.**

In you, O LORD, I take refuge;

let me never be put to shame.

In your uprightness, rescue me, free me;

incline your ear to me and save me.

**My mouth will tell of your salvation, O Lord.**

Be my rock, my constant refuge,  
a mighty stronghold to save me,  
for you are my rock, my stronghold.

My God, free me from the hand of the wicked.

**My mouth will tell of your salvation, O Lord.**

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope,  
my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

On you I have leaned from my birth;  
from my mother's womb, you have drawn me forth.

**My mouth will tell of your salvation, O Lord.**

My mouth will tell of your justice,  
and all the day long of your salvation.

O God, you have taught me from my youth,  
and I proclaim your wonders still.

**My mouth will tell of your salvation, O Lord.**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

§ *All stand.*

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

§ *The Gospel sentence is read.*

**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL *John 13.21-36*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

A Reading from the Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After saying this Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, 'Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me.' The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. One of his disciples—the one whom Jesus loved—was reclining next to him; Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, 'Lord, who is it?'

Jesus answered, 'It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.' So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, 'Do quickly what you are going to do.' Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, 'Buy what we need for the festival'; or, that he should give something to the poor. So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night. When he had gone out, Jesus said, '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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

§ *All sit.*

HOMILY

Fr Julian Browning

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord:

**and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.**

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

§ *All sit.*

## THE OFFERTORY

§ *To the Offertory prayers, all respond: **Blessed be God for ever.***

§ *All stand.*

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

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

§ *All respond: **Amen.***

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

§ *All kneel.*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

...all glory and honour is yours, forever and ever. **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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**  
Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper. **Lord, I am not worthy to  
receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*§ Anyone baptized in the name of the Trinity may receive Holy Communion, which is  
distributed at the High Altar. Low gluten Hosts are available on request.*

*§ All sing.*

**O SACRED head, sore wounded,  
Defiled and put to scorn;  
O kingly head, surrounded  
With mocking crown of thorn:  
What sorrow mars thy grandeur?  
Can death thy bloom deflower?  
O countenance whose splendour  
The hosts of heaven adore.**

**Thy beauty, long-desirèd,  
Hath vanished from our sight;  
Thy power is all expirèd,  
And quenched the light of light.  
Ah me! for whom thou diest,  
Hide not so far thy grace:  
Show me, O Love most highest,  
The brightness of thy face.**

**I pray thee, Jesus, own me,  
Me, Shepherd good, for thine;  
Who to thy fold hast won me,  
And fed with truth divine.  
Me guilty, me refuse not,  
Incline thy face to me,  
This comfort that I lose not,  
On earth to comfort thee.**

In thy most bitter passion  
My heart to share doth cry,  
With thee for my salvation  
Upon the Cross to die.  
Ah, keep my heart thus movèd  
To stand thy Cross beneath,  
To mourn thee, well-belovèd,  
Yet thank thee for thy death.

My days are few, O fail not,  
With thine immortal power,  
To hold me that I quail not  
In death's most fearful hour:  
That I may fight befriended,  
And see in my last strife  
To me thine arms extended  
Upon the Cross of life.

Paul Gerhardt, 1607-1676

*Tr* Robert Bridges, 1844-1930

## PASSION CHORALE

Harmony by J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

§ *All respond:* **Amen.**

### BLESSING

§ *All respond:* **Amen.**

### DISMISSAL

§ *All respond:* **Thanks be to God.**



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