

The Parish Church of St Giles with St Mary's, Pontefract



Maundy Thursday
Eucharist and Vigil
1st April 2021, 7.00 p.m.
Live at St Giles' Church and
Live Streamed on Facebook

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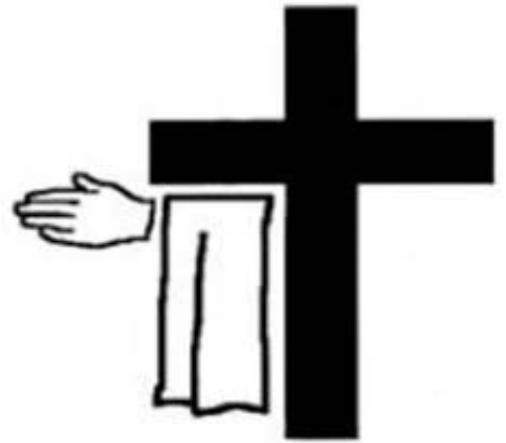
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- **MUSIC, SINGING AND RESPONSES** - Singing is not currently permitted for congregations. A small choral group is permitted. All responses will be said using a quiet voice
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- **TITHES AND OFFERINGS** – please place onto the plate near the exit door.

The Gathering

Introit Hymn

*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 heaven shall be;
Thy testamental cup I take,
and thus remember Thee.*



James Montgomery (1771-1854)

✠ In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

In the love of the Father, in the light of Christ, in the leading of the Spirit,
we place ourselves today.

Amen

The Greeting

The president greets the people

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
the Love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

and also with you.

Commemoration

This is the day when Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him. This is the day when he gathered with his disciples in the upper room, took a towel and washed their feet, giving us the example that we should do to others as he has done to us.

This is the day when Christ our God gave us this Holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may enter more deeply into the mystery of the

death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. To prepare ourselves for this celebration let us open our hearts in love.

Invitation to confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ says:

‘If you love me, keep my commandments.’

‘Unless I wash you, you have no part in me.’

Let us confess to almighty God our sins against his love, and ask him to cleanse us.

Prayer of Penitence

Lord Jesus, you came to bring us your love.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

You washed your disciples’ feet.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

You call us to love as you have shown us.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

The president says

May Almighty God have mercy on you,

✠forgive you all your sins and keep you in eternal life.

Amen

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The Collect for Maundy Thursday

Let us pray.

Silence is kept

God our Father,
you have invited us to share in the supper which your Son gave to his Church
to proclaim his death until he comes:
may he nourish us by his presence, and unite us in his love;
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14

A reading from the book of Exodus.

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 judgements: 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.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Beloved: 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.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Gospel Reading

John 13.1-17, 31b-35

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, 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 to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the saviour of the world.

Father,

on this, the night he was betrayed,

your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.

We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.

Lord, hear us

and humble us.

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one.

We pray for the unity of your Church.

Lord, hear us

and unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message.

We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, hear us

and renew our zeal.

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself.

We pray for the rejected and unloved.

Lord, hear us

and fill us with your love.

On this night, he reminded his disciples

that if the world hated them it hated him first.

We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord, hear us

and give us your peace.

On this night, he accepted the cup of death

and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom.

We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.

Lord, hear us

and welcome all your children into paradise.

We keep silence

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.
Amen**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

*Please **DO NOT** share the peace physically*

Preparation of the Altar

Offertory Hymn

**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;
yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
will I remember Thee.**

**And when these failing lips grow dumb,
and mind and memory flee,
when Thou shalt in Thy kingdom come,
Jesus, remember me.**

Taking of the Bread and Wine

At the eucharist we are with our crucified and risen Lord. We know that it was not only our ancestors, but we who were redeemed and brought forth from bondage to freedom, from mourning to feasting. We know that as he was with them in the upper room so our Lord is here with us now.

Until the kingdom of God comes let us celebrate this feast.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you bring forth bread from the earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

Prayer over the Gifts

Pray, my brothers and sisters
that this 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 church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Let us pray.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

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.

It is indeed right to give you thanks,
Father most holy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For on this night he girded himself with a towel
and, taking the form of a servant, washed the feet of his disciples.
He gave us a new commandment
that we should love one another as he has loved us.

Knowing that his hour had come,
in his great love he gave this supper to his disciples
to be a memorial of his passion,
that we might proclaim his death until he comes again,
and feast with him in his kingdom.

Therefore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise;
we too join with angels and archangels
as they proclaim your glory without end:

Sanctus & Benedictus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

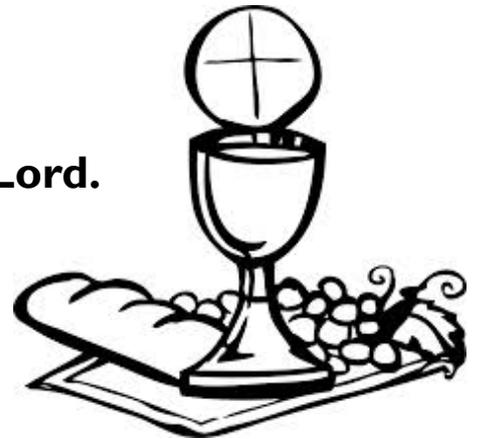
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord God, you are the most holy one,
enthroned in splendour and light,
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ
you reveal the power of your love
made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation;
loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us;
dying for his own,
he set us free from the bonds of sin,
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all, that is, this very night,
he took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.



In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,
we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,
we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high
and we long for his coming in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,
Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation
be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
form us into the likeness of Christ
and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

Look with favour on your people
and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.

Bless the earth,

heal the sick,

let the oppressed go free

and fill your Church with power from on high.

Gather your people from the ends of the earth
to feast with Our Lady, Giles and all your saints
at the table in your kingdom,
where the new creation is brought to perfection
in Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,

for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As we watch and wait,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**



Agnus Dei

**Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

***Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.***

***Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us your peace.***

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion.

God our Creator, as many grains are gathered into one bread:
**gather your Church from the ends of the earth
into the life of your kingdom.**

The clergy and people receive communion.

The body of Christ broken for you. **Amen.**

Those who feel unable or do not wish to receive communion at the moment, may use this prayer silently as a spiritual act of communion.

In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you.

And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me.

May I live and die in your love.

Hymn

*Here is Christ, we gather, love of Christ our calling.
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be His greeting.
Let us all revere and love Him, God eternal.
Loving Him, let each love Christ in all his brothers.
God is love and where true love is God himself is there.
When we Christians gather, members of one body,
let there be in us no discord, but one spirit.
Banish now be anger, strife and every quarrel.
Christ our God be present always here among us.*

God is love and where true love is God himself is there.

Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed.

*When we see your face, O Saviour, in its glory;
shine on us, O purest Light of all creation.*

Be our bliss while endless ages sing Your praises.

God is love and where true love is God himself is there.

From Latin liturgy of Maundy Thursday; tr. James Quinn (1919-)

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruit of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign, now and for ever.**

Amen.

Hymn *during which the blessed sacrament is placed on the Altar of Repose*

*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.*

*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.*

Words: Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274);
tr. John Mason Neale, Edward Caswall et al.

The Stripping of the Sanctuary

Psalm 22.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me, ♦
and are so far from my salvation,
from the words of my distress?

**O my God, I cry in the daytime,
but you do not answer; ♦
and by night also, but I find no rest.**

Yet you are the Holy One, ♦
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

**Our forebears trusted in you; ♦
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

They cried out to you and were delivered; ♦
they put their trust in you and were not confounded.

**But as for me, I am a worm and no man, ♦
scorned by all and despised by the people.**

All who see me laugh me to scorn; ♦
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

**‘He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; ♦
let him deliver him, if he delights in him.’**

But it is you that took me out of the womb ♦
and laid me safe upon my mother’s breast.

**On you was I cast ever since I was born; ♦
you are my God even from my mother’s womb.**

Be not far from me, for trouble is near at hand ♦
and there is none to help.

**Mighty oxen come around me; ♦
fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.**

They gape upon me with their mouths, ♦
as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water;

**all my bones are out of joint; ♦
my heart has become like wax
melting in the depths of my body.**

My mouth is dried up like a potsherd;
my tongue cleaves to my gums; ♦
you have laid me in the dust of death.

**For the hounds are all about me,
the pack of evildoers close in on me; ♦
they pierce my hands and my feet.**

I can count all my bones; ♦
they stand staring and looking upon me.

**They divide my garments among them; ♦
they cast lots for my clothing.**

Be not far from me, O Lord; ♦
you are my strength; hasten to help me.

**Deliver my soul from the sword, ♦
my poor life from the power of the dog.**

Save me from the lion's mouth,
from the horns of wild oxen. ♦

You have answered me!

**I will tell of your name to my people; ♦
in the midst of the congregation will I praise you.**

Praise the Lord, you that fear him; ♦
O seed of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, O seed of Israel.

**For he has not despised nor abhorred the suffering of the poor;
neither has he hidden his face from them; ♦
but when they cried to him he heard them.**

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; ♦
I will perform my vows
in the presence of those that fear you.

**The poor shall eat and be satisfied; ♦
those who seek the Lord shall praise him;
their hearts shall live for ever.**

All the ends of the earth
shall remember and turn to the Lord, ♦
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

**For the kingdom is the Lord's ♦
and he rules over the nations.**

How can those who sleep in the earth
bow down in worship, ♦
or those who go down to the dust kneel before him?
He has saved my life for himself;

**my descendants shall serve him; ♦
this shall be told of the Lord for generations to come.
They shall come and make known his salvation,**

to a people yet unborn, ♦
declaring that he, the Lord, has done it.

The Clergy recess in silence

The Watch

After the stripping of the sanctuary, worshippers are invited to “watch and pray” with our Lord at the Altar of Repose in the South aisle until 9p.m.



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