

ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Burwood

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday 2 April 2026

6:00PM INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
THE WASHING OF THE FEET & THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTARS

Holy Week

The week before Easter is the most solemn and glorious week in the Christian calendar, the pinnacle of the liturgical year. It has been a special time of prayer and devotion since from around the end of the 3rd century, and by the 4th century many Christians were making pilgrimages to the Holy Land where, in the holy city of Jerusalem, they followed the path of Jesus in his last days.

One of the earliest documented pilgrims was Egeria, a Western European Christian woman, possibly from France or Spain, who recorded in the diary of her travels in the late 4th century that numerous pilgrims formed processions, worshipped where Christ suffered and died, and venerated sacred sites and relics. It was from this beginning that the practices we observe today on **Palm Sunday**, and on **Maundy Thursday**, **Good Friday**, and **Holy Saturday** evolved. These services and our prayers through these days invite us to experience the last days of Jesus' earthly life, as well as the time and events leading up to his resurrection.

The three holy days, or *Triduum*, of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday are at the heart of our Holy Week prayer and worship at St Paul's. Our services and ceremonies may seem strange or unfamiliar to some, but these are the liturgies through which most Christians throughout the history of the Church have honoured the "great works of God" during the final week of Our Lord's life on earth.

Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday takes its name from the Latin words *mandatum novum*, meaning 'new commandment'. At the Last Supper, Jesus gave his disciples the new commandment, "*love one another as I have loved you.*"

The Gospel for Maundy Thursday speaks of love and service, which are also expressed in the ceremony of the Washing of the Feet, one of the great moments which takes place in this liturgy. The Washing of the Feet ceremony represents Jesus' washing of the feet of his disciples, and is an important reminder that we are all members of the Body of Christ and as such, and as His followers, we too are called to serve others in a spirit of humility – "*I have set an example that you should do as I have done for you.*"

The Maundy Thursday liturgy also commemorates the institution of the Eucharist (ie. Holy Communion / The Mass) at the Last Supper in the Upper Room as Jesus tells his followers to "*do this in remembrance of me.*"

After Communion, a ciborium containing a consecrated Host (Blessed Sacrament) is taken in solemn procession to the Altar of Repose in the Chapel of Our Lord's Passion which will have been beautifully prepared with candles and flowers to represent the Garden of Gethsemane where, after the Last Supper, our Lord went to pray, and where he said to his disciples: "*Could you not watch one hour with me?*"

After the Blessed Sacrament has been taken to the Altar of Repose the Sanctuary Party will depart in silence before the lights in the church are slowly extinguished and the Stripping of the Altars begins. During this ritual we experience something of the disciples' sorrow as their Lord was taken from them. It reminds us that Christ's betrayal, the stripping of his garments, and his crucifixion leaves a void in our church and in the world.

The congregation is invited to sit or kneel and meditate as the choir sings Psalm 22 – "*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me...*" Following this, all depart in silence or move to the Altar of Repose in the Chapel of Our Lord's Passion for private prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

The door in the Belltower and the church will be open for private devotion until 10:30pm.

All are encouraged to join in the prayers and responses in **bold** type.

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All STAND as the bell is rung. The choir sings the introit from the West Door.

Introit

But as for us, we should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ: In whom is our salvation, our life and resurrection, by whom we were saved, and obtained our freedom. God be merciful to us and bless us: and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful to us.

Greeting

✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
Whose mercy endures forever.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The priest reads the introduction:

Tonight we begin the Great Three Days of our Lord's passion, death and resurrection, the journey from the supper table to the cross, from the cross to Easter dawn.

We are followers in his way, exploring his truth, encountering his life.

This is the night when Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would betray him.

This is the night when Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

This is the night when Christ our Lord gave us this holy feast, that as we break the bread and drink the cup we may here proclaim his holy sacrifice, and come at the last to his table in heaven.

This is the night when Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet, showing us how to honour and serve one another in love.

This is the night for watching and prayer.

We give ourselves freely to the demands of these great days, confident that those who die in Christ will surely live with him.

Remain standing for the Kyrie and Gloria which are sung by the choir.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in excelsis

The bell is rung immediately after the intonation and then remains silent until the first Eucharist of Easter.

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.

Collect

Let us pray.
Holy God, source of all love,
on the night of his betrayal Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment,
to love one another as he loved them:
write this commandment in our hearts,
and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all,
who gave his life and died for us,
yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

All SIT for the readings and psalm.

First Reading: Exodus 12.1-14

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. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. 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.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 116.1–2, 11–18

Chant: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Sung by the choir.

- 1 I love the Lord, because he heard my voice:
the voice of my supplication;
- 2 Because he inclined his ear to me:
in the day that I called to him.
- 11 How shall I repay the Lord:
for all his benefits to me?
- 12 I will take up the cup of salvation:
and call upon the name of the Lord.
- 13 I will pay my vows to the Lord:
in the presence of all his people.
- 14 Grievous in the sight of the Lord:
is the death of his faithful ones.
- 15 O Lord, I am your servant, your servant and the child of your handmaid:
you have unloosed my bonds.
- 16 I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving:
and call upon the name of the Lord.
- 17 I will pay my vows to the Lord:
in the presence of all his people,
- 18 In the courts of the house of the Lord:
even in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

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.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All STAND with the Celebrant for the gospel acclamation

Gospel Acclamation

Sung by the choir.

A new commandment I give to you that you love one another, as I have loved you, says the Lord. Blessed are the undefiled in the way; who walk in the law of the Lord.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

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.'

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. 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.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection

Fr James Collins

Rector

The people remain seated as twelve members of the congregation come forward to have their foot washed.

Washing of the Feet

The choir sings the following Antiphon:

After the Lord had risen from supper: he put water in a basin.
And began to wash his disciples feet: this example he left to you.
Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised:
in the city of our God, even on his holy hill.

After the Lord had risen from supper: he put water in a basin.
And began to wash his disciples feet: this example he left to you.

The priest introduces the washing of the feet with the following words:

Friends in Christ, you have been invited to come forward, that we may recall whose servants we are and remember his teaching, that what is done for us is also to be done for others.

The choir sings a selection of antiphons during the foot washing.

At the end of the washing of the feet, the congregation kneels and the choir sings the Ubi Caritas, during which the twelve members of the congregation return to their seats.

Ubi caritas

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exsulemus, et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

Where charity and love are, there God is. The love of Christ has gathered us into one. Let us exult, and in Him be joyful. Let us fear and let us love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.

Attrib. Paulinus II of Aquileia, (c.726-804)

The following prayer is said by the priest:

Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ taught us that what we do for the least of our brethren we do also for him: give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

A selection of Scripture sentences is used, concluding with the Prayer of Approach:

Jesus said: A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you.

**We do not presume
to come to your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him
and he in us. Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

The priest introduces the confession.

God shows great love for us
in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

(Silence may be kept)

Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The priest pronounces the Absolution.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:

✠ pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Our Lord was betrayed by a kiss and therefore the peace is not exchanged at this service.

Please stand to sing the Offertory Hymn.

An offertory is taken for the work of the parish. This can be done in cash via the collection plate, direct debit using the details on our website or by scanning the QR code to make your offering directly from your mobile phone.



There is also a donation point at the West Door where you can tap your card.

Offertory Hymn

DIES DOMINICA

J.B. Dykes (1823-76)



- 1 We pray thee, heavenly Father, to hear us in thy love
And pour on us thy children the unction from above;
That so in love abiding, from all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer our Eucharist to thee.
- 2 All that we have we offer, for it is all thine own,
All gifts, by thine appointment, in bread and cup are shown;
One thing alone we bring not, the wilfulness of sin,
And all we bring is nothing save that which is within.
- 3 Within the pure oblation, beneath the outward sign,
By that his operation, the Holy Ghost divine,
Lies hid the sacred body, lies hid the precious blood,
Once slain, now ever glorious, of Christ our Lord and God.
- 4 Wherefore, though all unworthy to offer sacrifice,
We pray that this our duty be pleasing in thine eyes;
For praise and thanks and worship, for mercy and for aid,
The catholic oblation of Jesus Christ is made.

V. Stuckey S. Coles (1845-1929)

The Preparation

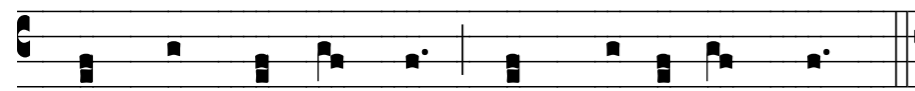
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

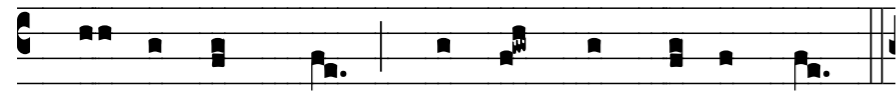
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

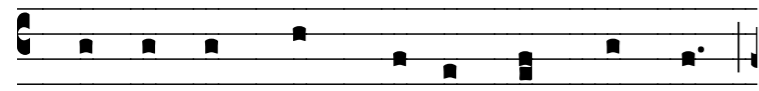
Great Thanksgiving



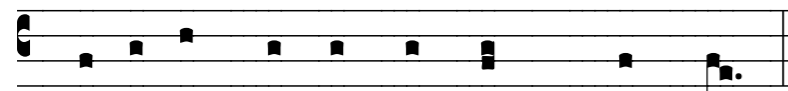
The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.



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



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The priest continues with the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

All KNEEL as the crotalus is sounded three times.

Sanctus & Benedictus

Sung by the choir.

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,

Dominus Deus sabaoth.

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

✠ *Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini
Hosanna in excelsis.*

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.

The priest continues with the Prayer of Consecration.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed, that is tonight, Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Memorial Acclamation

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

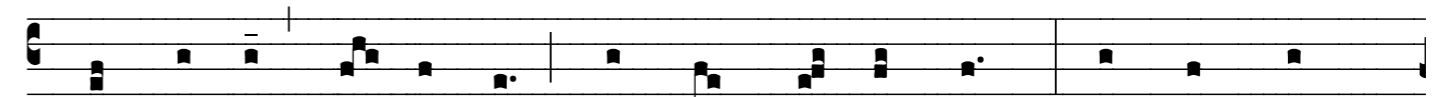
✠ Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

✠ **Blessing and honour and glory and power,
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

The priest says or intones:

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:



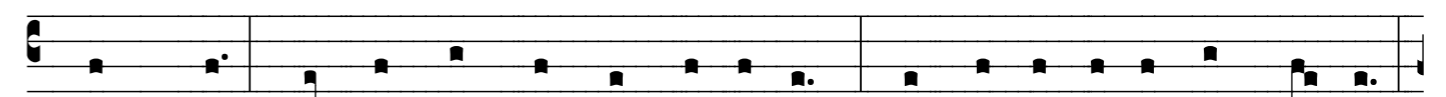
Our Fa-ther in hea-ven hal-lowed be your name; Your King-dom



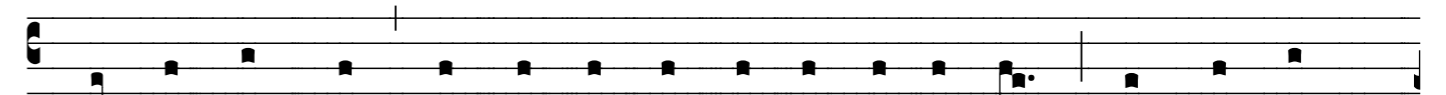
come, your will be done on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our



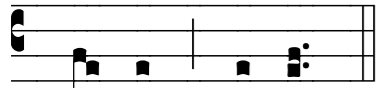
dai-ly bread for-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-



gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al, and de-liv-er us from e-vil



For the king-dom, the po-wer and the glo-ry are yours, now and for



e - ver. A-men.

The breaking of the bread

The priest breaks the bread and says one of the following:

[We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.]

We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei

Sung by the choir.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy 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.

Communion

All baptised and communicant Christians are welcome to receive communion.

Communion is distributed along the full length of the communion rail.

Please form a single line on the Organ side of the nave and return on the Pulpit side.

Those who do not normally receive communion are welcome to come to the altar for a blessing.

Communion Motet

Christus factus est

Felice Anerio (c. 1560-1614)

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.

Christ became obedient for us unto death, even to death on the cross.

Philippians 2.8-9

Remain kneeling to sing the communion hymn.

Communion Hymn

BANGOR CM

Ps. xii in *Harmony of Syon* (1734) by William Tans'ur

Widely used in the 18th century for "O God our help" – Ps. 90



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

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

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

5 Remember thee, and all thy pains,
And all thy love to me;
Yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
Will I remember thee.

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

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

James Montgomery 1771-1854

All remain kneeling.

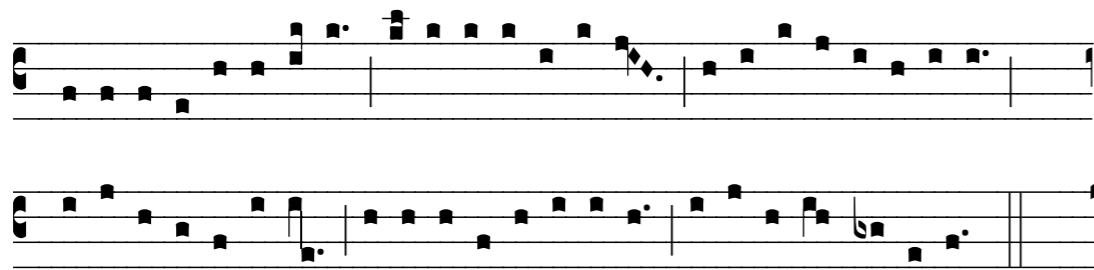
Post-Communion Prayer

The priest says the post-communion prayer.

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of betrayal Jesus commanded his disciples to love one another as he loved them. We thank you for feeding us in this supper. Give us the will to serve others as he was servant of all.

All remain kneeling. The Blessed Sacrament has remained on the High Altar, and now the Sacred Ministers prepare to carry it in solemn procession to the Altar of Repose where it will remain throughout the night and where the Watch will be kept.

During this the Pange lingua will be sung, which is begun after the clapper sounds. Verses 1 and 3 are sung to Gregorian chant, verses 2 and 4 are sung to the setting by Palestrina.



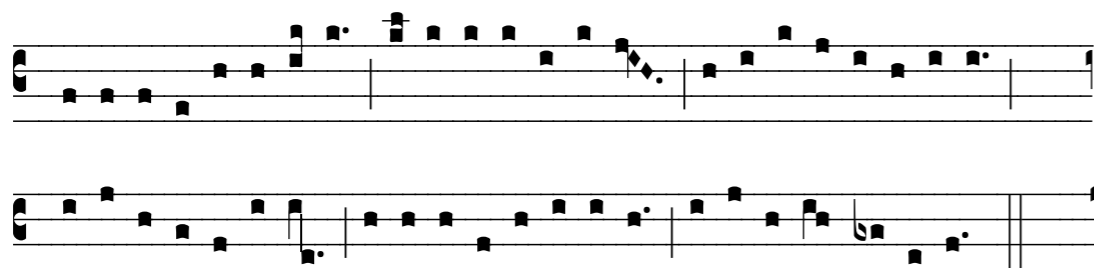
All
 1 Of the glorious body telling,
 O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
 And the Blood, all price excelling,
 Which the world's eternal King,
 In a spotless womb once dwelling,
 Shed for this world's ransoming.

All
 3 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 with his own hand.

Choir alone
 2 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.

Choir alone
 4 Word made Flesh, by word he maketh
 Very bread his 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.

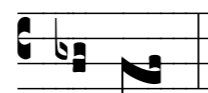
The Blessed Sacrament is placed upon the Altar of Repose, censed and adored. The clapper is sounded and verses 5 & 6 of the hymn (Tantum ergo) are sung.



5 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.

6 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.

St Thomas Aquinas 1227-74
 Tr J.M. Neale 1818-66 and others



A- men.

All remain kneeling as the Sanctuary Party departs in silence and returns for the stripping of the Altars. During this, the people are invited to sit or kneel and meditate on the words of Psalm 22 which is sung by the choir.

Stripping of the Altars

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me:
 why are you so far from helping me and from the words of my
 groaning?
- 2 My God, I cry to you by day, but you do not answer:
 and by night also I take no rest.
- 3 But you continue holy:
 you that are the praise of Israel.
- 4 In you our forebears trusted:
 they trusted, and you delivered them;
- 5 To you they cried and they were saved:
 they put their trust in you and were not confounded.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man:
 the scorn of all and despised by the people.
- 7 Those that see me laugh me to scorn:
 they shoot out their lips at me and wag their heads, saying,
- 8 'He trusted in the Lord - let him deliver him:
 let him deliver him, if he delights in him.'
- 9 But you are he that took me out of the womb:
 that brought me to lie at peace on my mother's breast.
- 10 On you have I been cast since my birth:
 you are my God, even from my mother's womb.
- 11 O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand:
 and there is none to help.
- 12 Many oxen surround me:
 fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.
- 13 They gape wide their mouths at me:
 like lions that roar and rend.
- 14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint:
 my heart within my breast is like melting wax.
- 15 My mouth is dried up like a potsherd:
 and my tongue clings to my gums.
- 16 My hands and my feet are withered:
 and you lay me in the dust of death.
- 17 For many dogs are come about me:
 and a band of evildoers hem me in.
- 18 I can count all my bones:
 they stand staring and gazing upon me.
- 19 They part my garments among them:
 and cast lots for my clothing.

- 20 O Lord, do not stand far off:
you are my helper, hasten to my aid.
- 21 Deliver my body from the sword:
my life from the power of the dogs;
- 22 O save me from the lion's mouth:
and my afflicted soul from the horns of the wild oxen.
- 23 I will tell of your name to my companions:
in the midst of the congregation will I praise you.
- 24 O praise the Lord, all you that fear him:
hold him in honour, O seed of Jacob,
and let the seed of Israel stand in awe of him.
- 25 For he has not despised nor abhorred the poor man in his misery:
nor did he hide his face from him but heard him when he cried.
- 26 From you springs my praise in the great congregation:
I will pay my vows in the sight of all that fear you;
- 27 The meek shall eat of the sacrifice and be satisfied:
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him -
may their hearts rejoice for ever!
- 28 Let all the ends of the earth remember and turn to the Lord:
and let all the families of the nations worship before him.
- 29 For the kingdom is the Lord's:
and he shall be ruler over the nations.
- 30 How can those who sleep in the earth do him homage:
or those that descend to the dust bow down before him?
- 31 But he has saved my life for himself:
and my posterity shall serve him.
- 32 This shall be told of my Lord to a future generation:
and his righteousness declared to a people yet unborn that he has
done it.

*After the Stripping of the Altars has been completed the Sanctuary Lamp is extinguished.
The choir and congregation depart in silence without a blessing or dismissal.*



**Members of the congregation are invited to spend some time in private
prayer at the Altar of Repose in the Chapel of our Lord's Passion.**

TODAY'S MUSIC DETAILS:

Settings: **Communion Service in F** (Herbert Sumsion, 1899-1995)
Missa orbis factor (Gregorian chant)

Motets: *Ubi caritas* (Maurice Duruflé, 1902-1986)
Christus factus est (Felice Anerio, c.1560-1614)

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UPCOMING SERVICES:

Friday 3 April – Good Friday

**9:00am SOLEMN LITURGY
& PROCLAMATION OF THE CROSS**
Crux fidelis (John IV of Portugal, 1604-1656)
Reproaches of the Cross (G.P. da Palestrina, c.1525-1594)
Crucifixus á8 (Antonio Lotti, 1667-1740)
Passion Gospel (T.L. de Victoria, c.1548-1611)

Saturday 4 April – Easter Eve

**9:30pm CHORAL EUCHARIST
& BLESSING OF THE NEW FIRE**
Communion Service in A & D (Herbert Sumsion, 1899-1995)
This joyful Eastertide (arr. Philip Ledger, 1937-2012)

Sunday 5 April – Easter Day

8:00am SAID EUCHARIST with hymns

10:00am CHORAL EUCHARIST & PROCESSION
This Joyful Eastertide (arr. Charles Wood, 1866-1926)
Communion Service in A & D (Herbert Sumsion, 1899-1995)
Now the green blade riseth (arr. Simon Lindley, 1948-2025)

Sunday 12 April – Low Sunday (Sunday in the Octave of Easter)

8:00am SAID EUCHARIST with hymns

10:00am CHORAL EUCHARIST & PROCESSION
This is the day (Anon; arr. Maurice Bevan, 1921-2006)
Collegium Regale (Harold Darke, 1888-1976)
Most glorious Lord of life (William Harris, 1883-1973)



THURSDAY 2 April 2026 – WATCH OF THE PASSION

At the end of the Maundy Thursday liturgy there will be a prayer vigil in the Chapel of our Lord's Passion in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Parishioners are invited to participate in this silent meditation for any length of time between 7:30pm and 10:30pm.

Sung Compline will take place at 9:00pm.

The Anglican Church of Australia, the Church of England, the Episcopal Church and the Roman Catholic Church all have the provision to keep the ancient vigil of the Watch of the Passion throughout the night from Maundy Thursday into Good Friday. It is a time to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and to watch and wait while contemplating the sacrifice of Christ.

At the end of St Paul's Maundy Thursday Eucharist, the Blessed Sacrament will be taken in solemn procession to the Altar of Repose where it will remain until the Solemn Liturgy on Good Friday. The Altar, in the Chapel of our Lord's Passion, will have been prepared with candles and flowers to represent the Garden of Gethsemane where, after the Last Supper, our Lord went to pray, and where he said to his disciples: "Could you not watch one hour with me?"

Members of the congregation are invited to spend some time between 7:30pm and 10:30pm in private prayer at the Altar of Repose. We invite you to make this devotion a part of your Holy Week journey.

At 9:00pm there will be the Office of Compline (approximately 20 minutes).



MAUNDY THURSDAY – 2 April 2026

6:00pm **Choral Eucharist** *with Washing of the Feet*

9:00pm **Compline** *and Watch of the Passion*

GOOD FRIDAY – 3 April

9:00am **Solemn Liturgy** *with Passion Gospel*

EASTER EVE – 4 April

9:30pm **Choral Eucharist** *& Blessing of the New Fire*

EASTER DAY – 5 April

8:00am **Said Eucharist** *with hymns & Renewal of Baptismal Vows*

10:00am **Choral Eucharist** *with procession & Renewal of Baptismal Vows*

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HOLY COMMUNION

Sundays throughout the year:

8:00am Said Eucharist – *with hymns*

10:00am Choral Eucharist – *with the Choir of St Paul's*

Wednesdays:

10:30am Eucharist

Fridays: *last Friday of the month (weekly during Lent & Advent)*

5:40pm Evening Prayer

6:00pm Eucharist

Seasonal Services:

6:00pm Choral Eucharist – *with the Choir of St Paul's*

Special services are held during the year to mark Feast Days and other days of seasonal significance. These are advertised in the pew bulletin and on our website.

CHORAL EVENSONG

Sundays as advertised:

5:00pm Choral Evensong – *with the Choir of St Paul's*

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