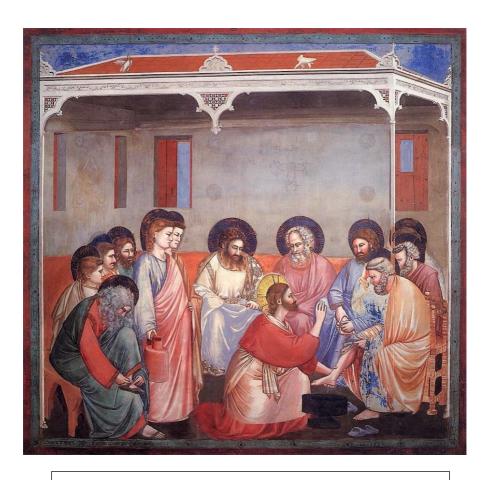


St John the Evangelist, Pevensey Road

Maundy Thursday 2024



Giotto. Washing of the Feet Italian, 1304-1306 Padua, Scrovegni/Arena Chapel

The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday

Hymn

During which the Oils are carried in procession, and the altar is censed

Blest by the sun, the olive tree brought clusters of fair fruit to birth, whose ripeness now we bring with prayer, Lord Christ, redeemer of the earth.

Eternal King, look down and bless the oil your servants offer here, and may it be a lively sign which all the powers of darkness fear

From those washed in the sacred font let Satan's influence depart, and when this oil the brow shall seal, transforming grace invade the heart.

Our wounded nature thus be healed by your anointing grace, O Lord; In men and women so renewed shall God's own image be restored

Lord Christ,

the Father's only Son, Who took our flesh in Mary's womb, Give light to your anointed ones, and break the power of death's dark tomb.

So may this joyous Paschal feast, the time when saving grace is given, fill every Christian soul with praise, and raise our minds from earth to heav'n. Amen.

From an early Latin hymn Tr Richard Rutt b. 1925

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

Priest The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you All and also with you.

The Reception of Holy Oil

Priest: Brothers and sisters, on this most holy night we enter into the three days of the celebration of our Lord's paschal victory, his death and resurrection. Those of our community who are to be baptized this Eastertide will be made one with Christ, being dead to sin and rising to newness of life in him. As we begin, therefore, we receive from our bishop Martin, the holy oils blessed and set apart for the sacramental life of our parish.

Each oil, in turn, is given to the Deacon who places it upon the Altar

Lay person The oil of the sick.

Priest By the laying on of hands and anointing with this oil, and with the prayerful support of this community, may those who are sick experience the healing presence of Christ. All Amen.

Lay person The oil of baptism.

Priest Anointed with this oil, and assisted by the example of this community, may those who are to be baptized know that Christ calls them by name and makes them his own and shares with them his victory over sin and the power of evil. All Amen.

Lay person The oil of chrism.

Priest Anointed with this fragrant oil, may all who are baptized and confirmed, all who are ordained to the service of God's people, and this community whose house of prayer is dedicated to God's glory, fill the world with the sweet fragrance of Christ's gospel and be built up as living stones into a temple filled with the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon 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.

Deacon Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion blot out our offences. Lord, have mercy. **All Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon Against you only have we sinned, and done what is evil in your sight.
Christ, have mercy.
All Christ, have mercy.

Deacon Purge us from our sin and we shall be clean; wash us and we shall be whiter than snow. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The priest says

May the Father forgive you by the death of his Son and strengthen you to live in the power of the Spirit all your days. *All* **Amen.**

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung by choir and congregation

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

Let us pray that we may love one another as Christ has loved us.

Silence is kept.

God our Father, your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end and drank the cup prepared for him; may we who share his table watch with him through the night of suffering and be faithful. *All* **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word all sit A reading from Exodus

Exodus 12. 1-4 (5-10) 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.

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, leas, 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 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.

For the Word of the Lord. *All* **Thanks be to God.**

A Reading from the first letter to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians 11.23-26 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.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end: and his disciples still gather there to celebrate their Risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.

And after Supper he washed their feet, for service, too, is sacrament.

In Christ our joy shall be made complete: sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace. He loves beyond our uttermost: in every room in our Father's house he will be there, as Lord and Host.

Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)

Gospel Rading

When the Gospel is announced the Deacon says

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory. I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; Love one another as I have loved you. All Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Deacon The Lord be with you.

Dcn Hear the Gospel of our Lord leaves Christ according to John.

Dcn Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John All Glory to you, O Lord. 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.....

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."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Washing of Feet

The priest may wash the feet of some members of the congregation. An anthem may be sung during the washing of feet. The washing of feet may end with this prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. All Amen.

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

All 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 *All* 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 *All* 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

All 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

All 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

All and welcome all your children into paradise.

The Peace

Priest 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 All and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory hymn during which the altar is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it. The altar and the people are censed.

This Is my Body, broken for you, bringing you wholeness, making you free.
Take it and eat it, and when you do, do it in love for me.

This is my Blood poured out for you, bringing forgiveness, making you free.
Take it and drink it, and when you do, do it in love for me.

Back to my Father soon I shall go. Do not forget me; then you will see I am still with you, and you will know you're very close to me.

Filled with my Spirit, how you will grow! You are my branches; I am the tree. If you are faithful, others will know you are alive in me.

Love one another – I have loved you, and I have shown you how to be free; serve one another, and when you do, do it in love for me.

Verses 1- 2 Jimmy Owens; verses 3-5 Damian Lundy

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

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.

All 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.

All Blessed be God for ever.

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

All Blessed be God for ever.

The priest takes the bread and wine.

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

Priest The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise

Priest 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:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betraved, 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.

Deacon Christ is the bread of life: All When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Saint John the Evangelist, Saint Peter, Mary the Mother of God, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through 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.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon Standing at the foot of the cross, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us: **All** Our Father, who art in heaven,

All 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 priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

All we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We sit as Agnus Dei is sung by all.
Jesus, Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
give us your peace.

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation.
Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Communion is received. Please bow your head if you prefer to receive a blessing.

The Body of Christ. **Amen.** The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

Anthem: Ave Verum Corpus - Mozart

Prayer after Communion

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. *All* **Amen.**

Hymn

My song is love unknown, My Saviour's love to me, Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be. O, who am I, That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh, and die?

He came from his blest throne, Salvation to bestow:
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend,
My Friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!

Sometimes they strew his way, And his sweet praises sing; Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King. Then 'Crucify!' Is all their breath, And for his death They thirst and cry.

They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful he To suffering goes, That he his foes From thence might free.

Here might I stay and sing,

No story so divine; Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like thine! This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.

Samuel Crossman (1624-83)

Priest Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you:

give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. *All* **Amen.**

The Stripping of the Sanctuary

The altar and the sanctuary are stripped bare, during which Psalm 22 is read.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

- ² O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.
- ³ Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- ⁴ In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- ⁵ To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.
- ⁶ But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.
- ⁷ All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads:
- 8 "Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver-- let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"

- ⁹ Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast.
- ¹⁰ On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.
- ¹¹ Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.
- ¹² Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me;
- ¹³ they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.
- ¹⁴ I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;
- ¹⁵ my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.
- ¹⁶ For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me. My hands and feet have shrivelled;
- ¹⁷ I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me;
- ¹⁸ they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.
- ¹⁹ But you, O LORD, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid!
- ²⁰ Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog!
- 21 Save me from the mouth of the lion! From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.
- ²² I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:
- ²³ You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

- ²⁴ For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.
- ²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.
- ²⁶ The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever!
- ²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.
- ²⁸ For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.
- ²⁹ To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.
- ³⁰ Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord.
- ³¹ and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

Priest Restless with grief and fear, the abandoned turn to you in every hour of trial; good Lord, deliver us, O God most holy, God most strong, whose wisdom is the cross of Christ.

The Dismissal

Priest When the disciples had sung a hymn they went out to the Mount of Olives. Jesus prayed to the Father, `If it is possible, take this cup of suffering from me`. He said to his disciples, `How is it that you were not able to keep watch with me for one hour? The hour

has come for the Son of Man to be handed over to the power of sinners. Come, let us go`.

Deacon Christ was obedient unto death. Go in his peace.

Taizé chant: `Stay with me` during which the reserved sacrament is venerated and censed on the Nave Altar and then taken by the priest and altar party to the tabernacle on the High Altar (the Garden of Repose) The congregation stays seated/standing until the serving party departs. Then the people depart in silence or gather in the chancel for the Watch.

Stay with me, remain here with me, watch and pray, watch and pray...



Good Friday:

12noon The Stations of
the Cross
1 pm: Prayer Lunch
2pm: Veneration of the
Cross and
Administration of the
Sacrament
Holy Saturday 10am –
noon: The Big Easter
Clean

Holy Saturday at 8pm:

The First Mass of Easter

Easter Sunday:

10.30am Festival Mass

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