ST MARY'S CHURCH
Whitkirk

Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday 14 April 2022 at 7.30 pm

"Beloved: I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you"

1 Corinthians 11.23

The Gathering

Our worship begins at the sound of the bell, please stand as the sacred ministers enter and the introit hymn is sung.

We pray thee, heavenly Father,
To hear us in thy love,
And pour upon thy children
The unction from above;
That so in love abiding,
From all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer
Our Eucharist to thee.

Be thou our Guide and Helper,
O Jesus Christ, we pray;
So may we well approach thee,
If thou wilt be the Way:
Thou, very Truth, hast promised
To help us in our strife,
Food of the weary pilgrim,
Eternal source of Life.

And thou, Creator Spirit,
Look on us, we are thine;
Renew in us thy graces,
Upon our darkness shine;
That, with thy benediction,
Upon our souls outpoured,
We may receive in gladness
The Body of the Lord.

The Greeting

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

and also with you.

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 baptised this Eastertide will be made one with Christ, dying to sin and rising to newness of life in him.

Earlier today at the Chrism Mass, our Bishop, Nick blessed oils to be used in the coming year. These are set apart for the sacramental life of our parish.

Three members of the congregation bring forward the oils.

The oil of the sick.

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.

Amen.

The oil of baptism.

Anointed with this oil, and assisted by the example of this community, may those who are to be baptised 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.

Amen.

The oil of chrism.

Anointed with this fragrant oil, may all who are baptised 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.

Amen.

Hymn

O Trinity of Persons!
O Unity most high!
On thee alone relying
Thy servants would draw nigh;
Unworthy in our weakness,
On thee our hope is stayed,
And blest by thy forgiveness
We will not be afraid.

Words: V. S. S. Coles (1845-1929)
Music: J. B. Dykes (1823-1876)
Hymn Tune: DIES DOMINICA

Prayers of Penitence

May we begin our journey through these holiest days of our year by acknowledging our need of God's love and mercy calling to mind some words of Jesus:

'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.

Before you, Jesus Christ,
we admit how and where
we have underestimated our influence, letting our words or silences hurt, abusing trust, betraying confidences.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We admit how and where we have made a show of our religion, attracting more attention to us, and less to you.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We admit to where in our lives a vague interest has become a dangerous passion, and we are not sure what to do or whether we are still in control.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness
draw us to himself,
and cleanse us from all our sins
that we may behold the glory of his Son,
the Word made flesh,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray that we may love one another as Christ has loved us.'

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

Please sit.

A reading from the first letter of St. 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.'
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> 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.

Corinthians 11: 23 – 26

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as the gradual hymn is sung. During the hymn a procession will make its way to the centre of the nave from where the Gospel for the day is read. To symbolise our desire to turn to Christ in our daily lives, at the end of the hymn we remain standing and turn to face the place where the Gospel is proclaimed.

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 him 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 ev'ry room in our Father's house
He will be there, as Lord and host.

Words: F. P. Green (1903-2000)
Music: Somerset folk song
collected by C. Sharp (1859-1924)
arr. N. Tredinnick (b. 1949)
Hymn Tune: O WALY WALY

Gospel Reading

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.

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love. The evening meal was being served, and the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray

Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel round his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped round him.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus replied, "You do not realise now what I am doing, but later you will understand." "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me." "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

Jesus answered, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet; his whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord', and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. I tell you the truth, no servant is greater

than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

"Now is the Son of Man glorified and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

"My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

John 13. 1-17, 31b-35

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Please sit after the preacher leads us in prayer.

The Washing of Feet

The president washes the feet of some members of the congregation. The Choir sing the anthem 'Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake'.

Choir Anthem

‘A new commandment’

A new commandment I give unto you:
That you love one another as I have loved you.
By this shall all men know that you are my disciples
If you have love, if you have love for one another.

Music: R. J. Shephard (1949-2021)

We all sing the following hymns.

Drop, drop, slow tears,
And bathe those beauteous feet,
Which brought from heav’n
The news and Prince of peace.

Cease not, wet eyes,
His mercies to entreat;
To cry for vengeance
Sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods
Drown all my faults and fears;
Nor let his eye see sin,
But through my tears.

Words: Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)
Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)
Hymn Tune: SONG 46

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
Fellow trav'llers on the road
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
Till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven,
We shall find such harmony
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant too.

Words: R. Gillard (b. 1953)
Music: R. Gillard (b. 1953)
arr. B. Pulkingham (1928-2019)

Then the president offers 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.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Following an invitation to pray from the intercessor we kneel or sit to pray.

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.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Please stand with the president.

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.

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

A hymn is sung.

Hymn

Love is his word, love is his way,
Feasting with all, fasting alone,
Living and dying, rising again,
Love, only love, is his way.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:
Better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his way, love is his mark,
Sharing his last Passover feast.
Christ at the table, host to the twelve
Love, only love, is his mark.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord…

Love is his mark, love is his sign,
Bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
'This is my body, this is my blood.'
Love, only love, is his sign.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord…

Love is his sign, love is his news,
'Do this,' he said. 'lest you forget
All my deep sorrow, all my dear blood.'
Love, only love, is his news.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord…

Love is his news, love is his name,
We are his own, chosen and called,
Family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love, is his name.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord…

Love is his name, love is his law,
Hear his command, all who are his,
'Love one another, I have loved you.'
Love, only love, is his law.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord…

Love is his law, love is his word:
Love of the Lord, Father and Word,
Love of the Spirit, God ever one,
Love, only love, is his word.

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord…

Words: L. Connaughton (1919-1979) alt.
Music: A. F. D. Milner (1925-2002)
Hymn Tune: CRESSWELL

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 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.

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

Please kneel or sit.

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
for ever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
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, 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, on the same night that he was betrayed,
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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, 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 here and in their homes
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Blessed Mary 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.

Amen. *(Sung)*

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

Trusting in the compassion of God
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.

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.

*The **Agnus Dei** is sung as the bread is broken for distribution.*

Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.

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

Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts

by faith with thanksgiving.

The president and people receive communion. All baptised Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. Please follow the guidance offered by the stewards.

If you are not baptised, or would prefer to not receive then do still come forward for a blessing bringing this book with you so the president knows your intention.

The sacrament is available in both kinds, however if you wish to only receive the bread please do so and then return to your place. Receiving in one kind is still considered to be full communion by the Church of England. Please do not dip bread in the wine (sometimes called 'intincting').

*To the words "The Body/Blood of Christ" the communicant replies "**Amen**".*

For those at home it might be helpful to use this prayer during the distribution.

Lord, you are always breaking apart
our communities,
our identities,
our images of you:
open hand and heart to receive this uncalled for gift,
this fractured food, this feast
where untouchables meet, human and divine;
through Jesus Christ, the passion of God.
Amen.

Choir Anthem

'Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake'

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake,
lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past,
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.
To decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in an upright heart,
before thee this night and evermore.

R. Farrant (c.1530-1580)

One or two communion hymns may be sung during the distribution as time allows.

Please remain seated.

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be;
O blessèd Jesus, hear and answer me;
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and protect me from the foe malign;
In death's dread moments make me only thine;
Call me, and bid me come to thee on high,
Where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

Words: ascribed to Pope John XXII (1249-1334)
Music: W. J. Maher (1823-1877)
Hymn Tune: ANIMA CHRISTI

This is my body, broken for you,
Bringing you wholeness, making you free.
Take it and eat it, and when you do,
Do this 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 this in love for me.

Back to the 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 the 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.

Words: vv. 1 & 2: J. Owens (b. 1930),
vv. 3-5: D. Lundy (1944-1997)
Music: J. Owens (b. 1930)
arr. C. Tambling (1964-2015)

The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand with the president who introduces a time of silent prayer with the words '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 fruits of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign,
now and for ever.

Amen.

The reserved sacrament is taken by procession to the chapel for the watch, during which this hymn is sung.

Hymn

Now, my tongue, the myst'ry telling
Of the glorious body sing,
And the blood, all price excelling,
Which the Gentiles' Lord and King,
In a virgin's womb once dwelling,
Shed for this world's ransoming.

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

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

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 our 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: St Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274)
translated by J. M. Neale (1818-1866),
E. Caswall (1814-1878) and others
Music: French melody (1881)
Hymn Tune: TANTUM ERGO (GRAFTON)

The holy table and the sanctuary are then stripped bare, during which the Choir sing the anthem 'Tantum ergo' by A. Bruckner (1824-1896).

The watch is kept.

Silence may be interspersed with appropriate readings and prayers. Please stay for some or all of the watch, and when departing please do so quietly.

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