

# St Mary's Church, Thorpe 8pm LIVE from St Mary's Vicarage

# THE LITURGY OF MAUNDY THURSDAY

## **Opening Hymn**

Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise; in all His words most wonderful, most sure in all His ways.

O loving wisdom of our God! When all was sin and shame, a second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail, should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail.

And that a higher gift than grace, should flesh and blood refine, God's Presence and His very Self, and Essence all divine.

O generous love! that He, who smote, in Man for man the foe, the double agony in Man for man should undergo.

And in the garden secretly, and on the Cross on high, should teach His brethren, and inspire, to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise; in all His words most wonderful, most sure in all His ways.

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

All Amen.

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

## **Prayers of Penitence**

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.

Silence is kept.

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.

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

## All Christ, have mercy.

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.

May the Father + forgive us by the death of His Son and strengthen us to live in the power of the Holy Spirit all our days.

#### All Amen.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

Set to CWM RHONDDA

All Glory be to God in heaven, songs of joy and peace we bring, thankful hearts and voices raising, to creation's Lord we sing.

Lord, we thank you, Lord, we bless you, glory be to God our King, glory be to God our King!

Lamb of God, who on your shoulders bore the load of this world's sin, only Son of God the Father, you have brought us peace within. Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, now your glorious reign begin, now your glorious reign begin.



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#### The Collect

The priest 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.

All Amen.

# First Reading

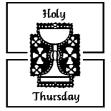
Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14

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.

All Thanks be to God



## **Hymn**

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us, you are one with us, Mary's son cleansing our souls from all their sin, pouring your love and goodness in; Jesus, our love for you we sing, living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, now and every day teach us how to pray, Son of God.
You have commanded us to do this, in remembrance, Lord, of you; into our lives your power breaks through, living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us, born as one of us, Mary's son led out to die on Calvary, risen from death to set us free; living Lord Jesus, help us see you are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, we would come to you, live our lives for you, Son of God; all your commands we know are true; your many gifts will make us new; into our lives your power breaks through, living Lord.

# **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.

All Thanks be to God.

**Gospel** An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading:

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal Glory!

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

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. 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.

# **Maundy Thursday Sermon**

Meditation - Jesus Washes his disciples Feet

As this year we can't re-enact Jesus washing his disciples' feet, we are invited to pause to reflect upon the bowl, pitcher, soap and towel.

#### **Anthem**

Let us pray.

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 Nicene Creed

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic

Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Intercessions

Lord hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Merciful Father,

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

#### The Peace

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

#### The Collection

(Our financial gift is usually gathered here. If you are able, please use our online method of donation instead, by clicking on the DONATE button on our Facebook page or by PayPal on our church website: www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk - thank you.)

## **Offertory Hymn**

The altar is prepared with the bread and wine, which the priest offers to God in thanksgiving.



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.

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.

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 name.

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!



### **Offertory Prayer**

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love.

All Amen.

# **Eucharistic Prayer B**

The Lord be with you and also with you.

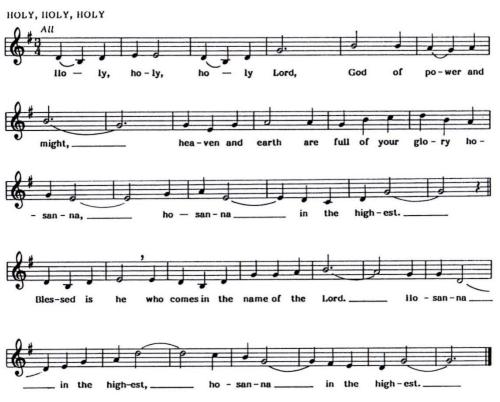
Lift up your hearts.

#### We lift them to the Lord. ΑII

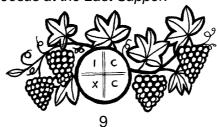
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

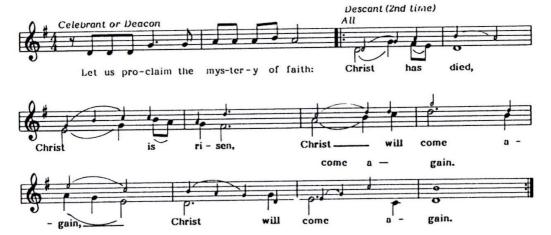
#### It is right to give thanks and praise. All

The priest continues with the prayer until he/she sings: And so, with all the choirs of angels in heaven, we proclaim your glory, and join in their unending hymn of praise:



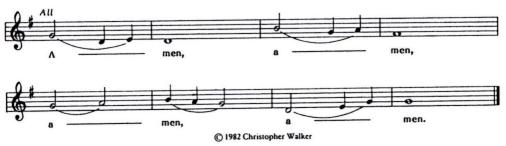
The priest continues to pray the words of the Eucharistic prayer, recalling the words of Jesus at the Last Supper.





The priest continues with the Eucharistic prayer until the doxology when he/she sings:

Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.



## The Lord's Prayer

With Jesus the Bread of Life with us now, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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.

The priest 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

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The cantor sings the verse and then everyone sings the refrain:



Hear our prayer, have merc-y; hear our prayer, have merc-y;

give us your peace.

# **Giving of Communion**

This 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 Hymn**

O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray that all thy Church might be for ever one, grant us at every Eucharist to say with longing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
O may we all one Bread, one Body be, through this blest Sacrament of unity.

For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede; make thou our sad divisions soon to cease; draw us the nearer each to each, we plead, by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace; thus may we all one Bread, one Body be, through this blest Sacrament of unity.

We pray thee too for wanderers from thy fold;
O bring them back, good Shepherd of the sheep,
back to the faith which saints believed of old,
back to the Church which still that faith doth keep;
soon may we all one Bread, one Body be,
through this blest Sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease, may we be one with all thy Church above, one with thy saints in one unbroken peace, one with thy saints in one unbounded love; more blessèd still, in peace and love to be one with the Trinity in Unity.

### **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 ou and show forth in our lives the fruit of your redempt for you are alive and reign, now and for ever.

All Amen.

# **Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament**

A simple meditation and silence follow before we sing:

# Hymn

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 Jesu, hear and answer me; deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me, so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend 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: Latin, 14th century; Tr. Anonymous. Music: Anima Christi (Maher 1823-77) Psalm 88 is sung as the Altar is prepared for the Watch. The study is now stripped of icons & candles. Please stay online, listen and pray.



SILENCE is kept - do spend a time of prayer or come back to Facebook LIVE during this evening as we recall how, before his arrest, Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane.

You may like to return at 11:40pm for Concluding Gospel & Prayers.

## Watch of Prayer until Midnight

"Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour?"" Matthew 26:40

# 11:40pm Concluding Gospel and Prayers

The Gospel of the Watch is read. - Year A: Luke 22.31-62

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, 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.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus,

hear me. Within your wounds, hide me.

Let me never be separated from you.

From the malignant enemy, defend me.

In the hour of my death, call me, and bid me come to you, that with your saints I may praise you, forever and ever.

All Amen.

### **Dismissal**

Christ was obedient unto death. Go in his peace.

All Thanks be to God.

The watch candles are now extinguished. The Sacrament is reserved until our **Good Friday Liturgy LIVE at 1pm**.

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