

Maundy Thursday

Eucharist

with the Stripping of the Altars



Thursday 6 April 2023
5.30 pm

Missa in Honorem Sancti Dominici
Edmund Rubbra

Welcome to Manchester Cathedral

Welcome to the Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in the heart of the City of Manchester. The building is the old mediaeval Parish Church of Manchester. King Henry V first granted it Collegiate status in 1421 and it became Manchester's Cathedral on the creation of the Diocese of Manchester in 1847. It is believed that there has been a church on or near this site for over a thousand years.

Passiontide

In Anglican tradition it is the Fifth Sunday of Lent, known as 'Passion Sunday', which starts Passiontide, the concluding fortnight of Lent. The focus moves towards Christ's suffering, 'passio' being the Latin term for suffering which gives us the name of the season.

Our Lenten journey of self-examination and penitence now journeys with Christ, who suffered for us. Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Good Friday will bring us to the foot of the Cross: *"God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us"* (Romans 5.8).

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Have you turned off your mobile phone?

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Visiting Manchester Cathedral from July 2021

For your personal safety, the Dean and Chapter encourage you to continue to wear face masks and use the hand sanitisers provided when visiting the Cathedral.

Welcome to the Cathedral

We offer a very warm welcome to any who are visiting us today. If you would normally receive communion in your own church you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not receive communion please feel free to come up for a blessing instead. Just bow your head when you come up so the Eucharistic Minister will know.

Gluten Free Wafer

If you require a gluten free communion wafer please inform a steward before the service. Please note that the wine may contain traces of gluten.

President

The Dean

Preacher

The Ven David Sharples

Musicians

The Cathedral Choir is conducted by Christopher Stokes,
Organist and Master of the Choristers

The organ is played by Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist.

Large-print copies of this booklet are also available.

The Gathering

The Introit is sung from the West Tower. All stand.

Introit

sung by the Choir

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens
usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.
Propter quod et Deus exaltavit
illum et dedit illi nomen,
quod est super omne nomen.

*Christ became obedient unto death,
even death on the cross.*

*Wherefore God hath exalted him
and given him the name
which is higher than all others.*

Anton Bruckner (1824-96)

*Gradual for Maundy Thursday
Philippians 2.8, 9*

The Choir process into the Quire.

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

All **Amen.**

Greeting

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

All **And also with you.**

Words of welcome and introduction are said

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.

Silence is kept

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.**

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.**

President May the Father forgive us
by the death of his Son
and strengthen us
to live in the power of the Spirit,
all our days.

All **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

sung by the Choir

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax hominibus
bonae voluntatis.

Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe. Domine Deus,
Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to people
of good will.*

*We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks
for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.*

*Lord, only-begotten Son,
Jesus Christ; Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy upon us;*

qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
qui sedes
ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

*you take away the sins of the
world, receive our prayer;
you are seated
at the right hand of the Father
have mercy upon us.*

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,
Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu
in gloria Dei Patris
Amen.

*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.*

Please remain standing

The Collect

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

Silence is kept

President 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.**

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

I Corinthians 11. 23-26

A reading from the First letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians:

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All stand

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 gushing 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.

Anima Christi NEH 305
William Maher (1823-77)

Latin, 14th Century
tr Anonymous

Gospel Reading

John 13.1-17, 31b-35

All turn to face the Gosbel book.

Choir 
Praise to you, O Christ, King of e - ter - nal Glo - ry.

Cantor 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.**

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

All


(Choir: Glo - ry to you) All: Glo - ry to you O Lord

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷ 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."

At the end of the reading

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All



(Choir: Praise to you) All: Praise to you O Christ.

Homily

The Ven' David Sharples

After the homily, a short period of silence is kept

Anthem

sung by the Choir

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

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
and may we love each other with a sincere heart.
Amen.*

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Paulinus of Aquileia (730-802)

Prayers of Intercession

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

Silence is kept

Father, on this night, 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 the message of his disciples.
We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, hear us
All **and renew our zeal.**

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

We pray for the rejected and unloved,
those who feel ignored or overlooked,
those who feel alone.

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 Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

President 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 peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

Hymn

Now, my tongue, the mystery 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.

Given for us, and condescending,
to be born for us below,
he, with men in converse blending,
dwelt the seed of truth to sow,
till he closed with wondrous ending
his most patient life of woe.

That last night, at supper lying,
'mid the twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying,
keeps the feast its rites demand;
then, more precious food supplying,
gives himself with his own hand.

Word-made-flesh true bread he maketh
by his word his Flesh to be;
wine his Blood; which whoso taketh
must from carnal thoughts be free;
faith alone, though sight forsaketh,
hows true hearts the mystery. Amen.

Pange Lingua CP316
Mode iii

Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274)
tr. J.M.Neale, Edward Caswall and others

President 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 Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

President 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:

Choir	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,	<i>Holy, holy, holy</i>
	Dominus Deus Sabaoth.	<i>Lord, God of power and might.</i>
	Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.	<i>Heaven and earth are full of your glory.</i>
	Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Hosanna in the highest.</i>
	Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.	<i>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.</i>
	Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Hosanna in the highest.</i>

President Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat;
this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup
and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

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.**

President Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Please sit or kneel

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

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

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Giving of Communion

President God's Holy Gifts for God's Holy People.

All **Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Prayer for Spiritual Holy Communion

O Christ, let me kneel before the wonder of your glory
thus made manifest to all flesh;
to be made one with your lowliness,
one with your obedience,
one with the majesty of your love,
in a union, that by your grace,
shall know no divorce
unto the ages of ages. Amen.

From *My God, My Glory*, Eric Milner-White

Members of all Christian Churches are welcome to receive communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please keep your hands down.

Please follow the directions of the stewards.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the administration points by the nave platform.

During the administration of communion, the Choir sings the Agnus Dei and an anthem.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
grant us peace.*

Anthem

sung by the Choir

O sacrum convivium, in quo Christus sumitur;
recolitur memoria passionis ejus;
mens impletur gratia;
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.
Panem de caelo praestitisti eis
omnem delectamentum in se habentem.

*O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received;
The memorial of his passion is renewed;
the soul is filled with grace;
and a pledge of future glory is given to us.
You gave them bread from heaven
containing in itself all sweetness.*

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

A period of reflection is held. After communion all remain seated

Prayer after Communion

President 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.**

The Stripping of the Sanctuary

Whilst the Choir sings the Psalm, the Altar is stripped.

Psalm 22

sung by the Choir

2nd Tone, 1st Ending

They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.

My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me
and art so far from my health, and from the words of my
complaint?

O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not
and in the night-season also I take no rest.

And thou continest holy O thou worship of Israel.

Our fathers hoped in thee, they trusted in thee,
and thou didst deliver them.

they called upon thee, and were holpen
they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

But as for me, I am a worm, and no man
a very scorn of men, and the out-cast of the people.

All they that see me laugh me to scorn
they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

He trusted in God, that he would deliver him
let him deliver him, if he will have him.

But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb, thou
wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

I have been left unto thee ever since I was born
thou art my God even from my mother's womb.

O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand
and there is none to help me.

Many oxen are come about me
fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.

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

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint
my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth
to my gums and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about me
and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones
they stand staring and looking upon me.

They part my garments among them and cast lots upon my
vesture.

But be not thou far from me, O Lord thou art my succour,
haste thee to help me.

Deliver my soul from the sword
my darling from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth thou hast heard me also from
among the horns of the unicorns.

I will declare thy Name unto my brethren
in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

O praise the Lord, ye that fear him
magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye
seed of Israel;

For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the
poor he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called
unto him he heard him.

My praise is of thee in the great congregation
my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

The poor shall eat, and be satisfied they that seek after the
Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be
turned unto the Lord and all the kindreds of the nations shall
worship before him.

For the kingdom is the Lord's and he is the Governor among
the people.

All such as be fat upon earth have eaten, and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him
and no man hath quickened his own soul.

My seed shall serve him they shall be counted unto the Lord
for a generation.

They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his
righteousness unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord
hath made.

They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.

In the Garden of Repose

After the psalm, the Choir and clergy lead the congregation in a silent procession to the Garden of Repose for the Watch.

President 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'.

The Watch

*The Cathedral will remain open until 8.00 pm for those who wish to keep vigil.
All others, please disperse informally and in silence.*

Please take this order of service away with you to reflect upon the music, readings and prayers, and as a reminder of your visit this evening.

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