

Holy Trinity

Headington Quarry

MAUNDY THURSDAY



Thursday 9th April 2020, 7.30pm

Words of welcome

Opening Hymn: Praise to the Holiest in the Height

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.

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and in the depth be praise;
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

The president says

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

Amen.

The Greeting

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.

Lord have mercy.

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

Christ, have mercy.

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.

Lord have mercy.

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.

Amen.

The Gloria

**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,
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.

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.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: Ubi Caritas

Lento *p*

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.
(Where charity and love are; there God is)

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Gospel Reading

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

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

Prayers

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, Jesus prayed for his disciples to be one.
We pray for the unity of your Church.
Lord, hear us
and unite us.

On this night, Jesus prayed for those who were to believe through the disciples' message.
We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, hear us
and renew our zeal.

On this night, Jesus 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, Jesus 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, Jesus 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 Peace

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give 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.

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Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your kingdom.

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Taking of the Bread and Wine

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

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.

**Until the kingdom of God comes
let us celebrate this feast.**

The President takes the bread and wine and says

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

The Lord be with you
and also 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 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
as they proclaim your glory without end:

**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, in the same night that he was betrayed,
that is, this very night,
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.

Christ is the bread of life:
**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 [N 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

The Lord's Prayer

Please sit or kneel

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Agnus Dei is said as the bread is broken

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

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

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

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed 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.**

The president receives communion; people join in at home, sharing bread and wine together.

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Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord, keep watch take heart.

Recorded by Dominic and Lucy Vickers and family

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The post-communion prayer is said

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.
Amen.

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.

Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honour, might and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever to his love confessing,
Who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

St. Thomas, Aquinas (1227-74); Translator: J. M. Neale (1818-66)

Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me, •
and are so far from my salvation,
from the words of my distress?

O my God, I cry in the daytime,
but you do not answer; •
and by night also, but I find no rest.

Yet you are the Holy One, •
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

Our forebears trusted in you; •
they trusted, and you delivered them.

They cried out to you and were delivered; •
they put their trust in you and were not confounded.

But as for me, I am a worm and no man, •
scorned by all and despised by the people
All who see me laugh me to scorn; •
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

'He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; •
let him deliver him, if he delights in him.'

But it is you that took me out of the womb •
and laid me safe upon my mother's breast.

On you was I cast ever since I was born; •
you are my God even from my mother's womb.

Be not far from me, for trouble is near at hand •
and there is none to help.

Mighty oxen come around me; •
fat bulls of Bashan 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;
all my bones are out of joint; •
my heart has become like wax
melting in the depths of my body.

My mouth is dried up like a potsherd;
my tongue cleaves to my gums; •
you have laid me in the dust of death.

For the hounds are all about me;
the pack of evildoers close in on me; •
they pierce my hands and my feet.

I can count all my bones; •
they stand staring and looking upon me.

They divide my garments among them; •
they cast lots for my clothing.

Be not far from me, O Lord; •
you are my strength; hasten to help me.

Deliver my soul from the sword, •
my poor life from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth,
from the horns of wild oxen. •
You have answered me!

I will tell of your name to my people; •
in the midst of the congregation will I praise you.

Praise the Lord, you that fear him; •
O seed of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, O seed of Israel.

For he has not despised nor abhorred the suffering of the poor;
neither has he hidden his face from them; •
but when they cried to him he heard them.

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; •
I will perform my vows
in the presence of those that fear you.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied; •
those who seek the Lord shall praise him;
their hearts shall live for ever.

All the ends of the earth
shall remember and turn to the Lord, •
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

For the kingdom is the Lord's •
and he rules over the nations.

How can those who sleep in the earth
bow down in worship, •
or those who go down to the dust kneel before him?

He has saved my life for himself;
my descendants shall serve him; •
this shall be told of the Lord for generations to come.

They shall come and make known his salvation,
to a people yet unborn, •
declaring that he, the Lord, has done it.

Feel free to remain in prayer for as long as you would like. We traditionally keep watch until midnight.

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