



**MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
**HIGH MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*Please leave this booklet behind for future use.*

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EGO·SI·EXALTATUS  
FVERO·A·TERRA

John  
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THE EASTER TRIDUUM



I Peter  
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Christ redeemed mankind and gave perfect glory to God principally through the paschal mystery: by dying he destroyed our death and by rising he restored our life.

I Corin-  
thians  
XII·12

The Easter Triduum of the passion and resurrection of Christ is thus the culmination of the entire liturgical year. What Sunday is to the week, the solemnity of Easter is to the liturgical year.

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The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday.

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THE INTRODUCTORY RITE

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HYMN

**T**his is the night, dear friends, the night for weeping,  
When darkness' power overcomes the day,  
The night the faithful mourn the weight of evil  
Whereby our sins the Son of Man betray.

**This night the traitor, wolf within the sheepfold,  
Betrays himself into his Victim's will;  
The Lamb of God for sacrifice preparing,  
Sin brings about the cure for sin's own ill.**

**This night Christ institutes his holy supper,  
Blest food and drink for heart and soul and mind;  
This night injustice joins its hand to treason's  
And buys for death the ransom of mankind.**

**This night the Lord by slaves shall be arrested,  
He who destroys our slavery to sin;  
Accused of crime, to criminals be given,  
That judgement on the righteous judge begin.**

**O make us sharers, Saviour, of your Passion,  
That we may share your glory that shall be;  
Let us pass through these three dark nights of sorrow  
To Easter's laughter and its liberty.**

*Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142), trans. Richard Sturch (b.1936)*

*Tune: 'Highwood', R.R. Terry (1865-1938)*

INTROIT *Nos autem*

*Galatians 6 & Psalm 67*

But as for us, it behoveth us to glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ: in whom is our salvation, our life and resurrection: by whom we were saved, and obtained our freedom. God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*Celebrant: Gloria in excelsis Deo. Glory be to God in the highest.*

*Bells are rung at the beginning and then remain silent.*

*Please sit.*

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, Iesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dominus. Tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*and peace on earth to men of good will. We praise thee, we bless thee, we adore thee, we glorify thee, we give thee thanks for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, thou who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; thou who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou who sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For thou alone art the Holy One, thou alone art the Lord, thou alone art the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

*Please stand.*

## COLLECT

The Lord be with you:

℟. **And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

**O** God, whose only begotten Son, ready to give himself up unto death, entrusted to the Church a new sacrifice for all ages and the banquet of his love; grant us, we beseech thee, that, celebrating this most holy supper, we may draw from so great a mystery the fullness of charity and life; through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord: who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

℟. **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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FIRST READING

*Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14*

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

**A**nd the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt saying: 'This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying: "In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: and ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD's passover.'"'

This is the word of the Lord.

℟️ **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL *Oculi omnium*

*Psalm 145*

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O LORD, and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

EPISTLE

*1 Corinthians 11: 23-29*

A reading from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians.

**B**rethren: I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said: 'Take,

eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.' After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying: 'This cup is the new testament in my Blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

This is the word of the Lord.

℟. **Thanks be to God.**

TRACT *Ab ortu solis*

*Malachi 1 & Proverbs 9*

From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same, my Name is great among the Gentiles. And in every place incense shall be offered to my Name, and a pure offering; for my Name shall be great among the heathen. Come, and eat of my bread and drink ye of the wine which I have mingled for you.

*Please stand.*

HOLY GOSPEL

*John 13.1-15*

The Lord be with you:

℟. **And with thy spirit**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

℟. **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**A**t that time: Before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that the time was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him; Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come forth from God, and went to God: he riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded. Then cometh he to Simon Peter. And Peter saith unto him: 'Lord, dost thou wash my feet?' Jesus answered and said unto him: 'What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.' Peter saith unto him: 'Thou shalt never wash my

feet.' Jesus answered him: 'If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.' Simon Peter saith unto him: 'Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.' Jesus saith to him: 'He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit. And ye are clean, but not all.' For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he: 'Ye are not all clean.' So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them: 'Know ye what I have done to you? Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet: ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## HOMILY

*The Creed and the Prayer of the Faithful are omitted.*

### THE RITE OF WASHING OF FEET

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*Following the example of Our Lord, the Celebrant removes his outer garment, the Chasuble, and wraps a towel around his waist.*

*The Proper Antiphons are sung.*

#### *I. Mandatum Novum*

'A new commandment give I unto you: that ye love one another as I have loved you,' saith the Lord.

#### *II. Postquam Surrexit*

After the Lord had risen from supper he put water in a bason: and began to wash the feet of his disciples: this example left he unto them.

#### *III. Dominus Iesus*

The Lord Jesus, when he had supped with his disciples, and had washed their feet, said unto them: 'Know ye what I your Lord and Master have done unto you? I have given you an example that ye should do as I have done unto you.'

#### *IV. Domine Tu Mihi*

*Ant.* 'Lord dost thou wash my feet?' Jesus answered and said: 'If I wash



So may we with the blessed see for ever. In glory the light of thy countenance, Christ our God. Joy that is infinite and undefiled. For ever and for ever, world without end. Amen.

HYMN 302 *O thou who at thy Eucharist didst pray*

Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father.

**℟. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands for the praise and glory of his Name, for our good and the good of all his Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**G**rant, we beseech thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: that he may render our sacrifice acceptable in thy sight, who as on this day commanded his disciples to do this in remembrance of himself, even Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.

**℟. Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you:

**℟. And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**℟. We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

**℟. It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, thine only Son our Lord:

Who, having loved his own which were in the world, loved them unto the end, and on the night before he suffered, sitting at meat with his disciples, did institute these holy mysteries: That we, receiving the benefits of his Passion, and being quickened by his Resurrection, might be made partakers of his divine nature, and be filled with all the fullness of God.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying:

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy,  
Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus  
qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he  
that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

**S** Anctus, \* Sáncetus, Sáncetus Dóminus Dé-us Sá-  
ba-oth. Pléni sunt caéli et térra gló-ri-a tú-a. Hosánna in  
excélsis. Benedíctus qui vénit in nómine Dómi-ni. Hosán-  
na in excélsis.

The image shows musical notation for the Sanctus and Benedictus. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a large 'S' and the text 'Anctus, \* Sáncetus, Sáncetus Dóminus Dé-us Sá-'. The second staff continues with 'ba-oth. Pléni sunt caéli et térra gló-ri-a tú-a. Hosánna in'. The third staff continues with 'excélsis. Benedíctus qui vénit in nómine Dómi-ni. Hosán-'. The fourth staff ends with 'na in excélsis.' The music is written in a simple, square-note style on a five-line staff.

*Please kneel.*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that, by the power of thy Holy Spirit, we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, that is tonight, took bread and when he had given thanks to thee, 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.'

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to thee, he gave it to them, saying, 'Drink ye all of this; for this is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins; do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

℟. **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants, having in remembrance the precious death and passion of thy dear Son, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee: humbly beseeching thee, that all we who are partakers of this holy communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences:

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 unto thee, O Father Almighty, throughout all ages, world without end.

℟. **AMEN.**

*Please stand.*

### **The Communion Rite**

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us we are bold to say.

**O**ur 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.

Deliver us, O Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In thy mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.**

**L**ord Jesus Christ, who didst say to thine apostles, 'Peace I leave you, my peace I give unto you,' look not on our sins but on the faith of thy Church and grant to her that unity and peace which is according to thy will; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest for ever and ever.

℟. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you:

℟. **And with thy spirit.**

*Please kneel.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem

*Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

**A** -gnus Dé-i, \* qui tóllis peccá-ta múndi : mi-se-ré-re  
nó-bis. Agnus Dé-i, \* qui tóllis peccá-ta múndi : mi-se-ré-  
re nó-bis. Agnus Dé-i, \* qui tóllis peccá-ta múndi : dóna  
nóbis pá-cem.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

℟. **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

*Please come forward to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing.*

COMMUNION *Hoc corpus*

*1 Corinthians 11.24, 25*

This is my Body which is given for you; this cup is the new Testament in my Blood, saith Lord: this do as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

*Please remain kneeling in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

**O** Lord our God, who hast refreshed us with this life-giving sustenance, we beseech thee: that we, who observe this institution in the time of our mortal life, may obtain the benefit thereof in thy gift of immortality. Through Christ our Lord.

℟̄. **Amen.**

*Please remain kneeling for*

**THE PROCESSION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
TO THE ALTAR OF REPOSE**

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*New English Hymnal 268*

Part I: *Pange Lingua is sung in procession.*

Part II: *Tantum Ergo is sung at the Altar of Repose.*

**THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTARS**

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*Psalm 22 is sung (New English Hymnal 515)*



THE WATCH OF PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT *follows until midnight. You may wish to remain to pray at the Altar of Repose before leaving, or return to pray in the Watch. Readings from Scripture are provided below.*

*Please depart in silence.*

## THE WATCH OF PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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*The time before the Altar of Repose can be used to be with Jesus in Gethsemane, drawing close to him by recalling the stages of his prayer and what happened then, in intervals.*



### I. JESUS SAYS HIS DISCIPLES WILL FALL AWAY

*Matthew 26.30-35*

**A**nd when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives. Then saith Jesus unto them, 'All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.' Peter answered and said unto him, 'Though all men shall be offended because of thee, yet will I never be offended.' Jesus said unto him, 'Verily I say unto thee, that this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.' Peter said unto him, 'Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee.' Likewise also said all the disciples.



### II. JESUS IS VERY SORROWFUL

*Matthew 26.36-39*

**T**hen cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, 'Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.' And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy. Then saith he unto them, 'My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.' And he went a little farther, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, 'O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.'



And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, 'What, could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.' He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, 'O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.' And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy. And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words. Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, 'Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that doth betray me.'



## IV. JESUS HANDS HIMSELF OVER

*Matthew 26.47-56*

And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, 'Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: hold him fast.' And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, 'Hail, master;' and kissed him. And Jesus said unto him, 'Friend, wherefore art thou come?' Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus and took him. And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote off his ear. Then said Jesus unto him, 'Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?' In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, 'Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on me. But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.' Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

