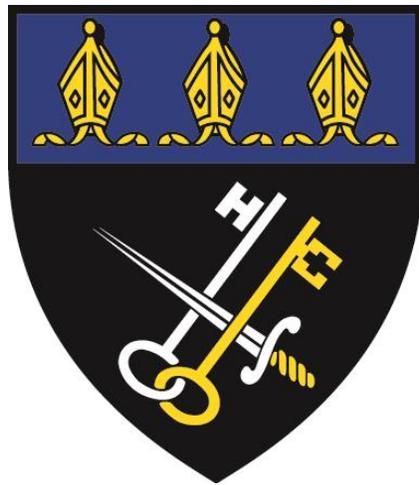


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**THE SOLEMN CELEBRATION  
OF THE LORD'S PASSION  
GOOD FRIDAY  
2021**

# THE LITANY

God the Father,  
*Have mercy on us.*

God the Son,  
*Have mercy on us.*

God the Holy Spirit,  
*Have mercy on us.*

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity,  
*Have mercy on us.*

From all evil and mischief;  
from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy;  
from envy, hatred, and malice;  
and from all evil intent,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From sloth, worldliness and love of money;  
from hardness of heart  
and contempt for your word and your laws,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From sins of body and mind;  
from the deceits of the world, the flesh and the devil,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

In all times of sorrow;  
in all times of joy;  
in the hour of death,  
and at the day of judgement,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By the mystery of your holy incarnation;  
by your birth, childhood and obedience;  
by your baptism, fasting and temptation,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By your ministry in word and work;  
by your mighty acts of power;  
and by your preaching of the kingdom,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By your agony and trial;  
by your cross and passion;  
and by your precious death and burial,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By your mighty resurrection;  
by your glorious ascension;  
and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

Give us true repentance;  
forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance  
and our deliberate sins;  
and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit  
to amend our lives according to your holy word.

Holy God, holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
have mercy upon us.

Music: Philip Marshall (1921-2005)

## THE COLLECTS

Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

Eternal God, in the cross of Jesus we see the cost of our sin and the depth of your love: in humble hope and fear may we place at his feet all that we have and all that we are, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## HYMN

There is a green hill far away,  
Without a city wall,  
Where the dear Lord was crucified  
Who died to save us all.

2. We may not know, we cannot tell,  
What pains he had to bear,  
But we believe it was for us  
He hung and suffered there.

3. He died that we might be forgiven,  
He died to make us good;  
That we might go at last to heaven,  
Saved by his precious blood.

4. There was no other good enough  
To pay the price of sin;  
He only could unlock the gate  
Of heaven, and let us in.

5. O, dearly, dearly has he loved,  
And we must love him too,  
And trust in his redeeming blood,  
And try his works to do.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–95)

Music: HORSLEY  
William Horsley (1774–1858)

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

**S**ee, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him - so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals - so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led

to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

*Isaiah 52.13-53.12*

Listen to what the spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The choir sings:*

## **PSALM 22 (vv1-21)**

My God my God, why hast thou forsaken me:  
and art so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?

O my God I cry in the daytime but thou hearest not:  
and in the night-season also but I find no rest.

But thou continuest holy:  
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

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

They called upon thee and were delivered:  
they put their trust in thee and were not disappointed.

But as for me I am a worm and no man:  
a very scorn of men and an outcast 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 cast ever since I was born:  
thou art my God even from my mother's womb.

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

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

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

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

My mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums:  
and thou bringest me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about me:  
and a multitude of the wicked keep me in on every side.

They pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones:  
they stand staring and looking upon me.

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

But be thou far from me O Lord:  
thou art my succor, haste thee to help me.

Deliver my soul from the sword:  
my life from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth:  
and my soul in misery from the horns of the wild oxen.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

*Hebrews 4.14-16; 5.7-9*

Listen to what the spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN

It is a thing most wonderful,  
Almost too wonderful to be,  
That God's own Son should come from heaven,  
And die to save a child like me.

2. And yet I know that it is true:  
He chose a poor and humble lot,  
And wept, and toiled, and mourned, and died,  
For love of those who loved him not.

3. But even could I see him die,  
I could but see a little part  
Of that great love, which, like a fire,  
Is always burning in his heart.

4. It is most wonderful to know  
His love for me so free and sure;  
But 'tis more wonderful to see  
My love for him so faint and poor.

5. And yet I want to love thee, Lord;  
O light the flame within my heart,  
and I will love thee more and more,  
until I see thee as thou art.

Words: William Walsham How (1823–94)

Music: HERONGATE  
English Trad. arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

# THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN

**Narrator:** The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John  
*(no response is made)*

Then Pilate took Jesus and scourged him. And the soldiers plaited a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and arrayed him in a purple robe; they came up to him saying,

**Soldiers:** "Hail, King of the Jews!"

**Narrator:** And struck him with their hands. Pilate went out again, and said to them,

**Pilate:** "Behold, I am bringing him out to you, that you may know that I find no crime in him."

**Narrator:** So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them,

**Pilate:** "Here is the man."

**Narrator:** When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out,

**Crowd:** "Crucify him, crucify him!"

**Narrator:** Pilate said to them,

**Pilate:** "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no fault in him. "

**Narrator:** The Jews answered him,

**Crowd:** We have a law, and by that law he ought to die, because he has made himself the Son of God."

**Narrator:** When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus,

**Pilate:** "Where are you from?"

**Narrator:** But Jesus gave no answer. Pilate therefore said to him,

**Pilate:** "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?"

**Narrator:** Jesus answered him,

**Christus:.** You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore he who delivered me to you has the greater sin."

**Narrator:** Upon this Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out,

**Crowd:** "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend; everyone who makes himself a king sets himself against Caesar."

**Narrator:** When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, and in Hebrew Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews,

**Pilate:** "Here is your King?"

**Narrator:** They cried out,

**Crowd:** "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!"

**Narrator:** Pilate said to them,

**Pilate:** "Shall I crucify your King?"

**Narrator:** The chief priests answered,

**Chief Priests:** "We have no king but Caesar."

**Narrator:** Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. The chief priests of the Jews then said to Pilate,

**Chief Priests:** "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but, 'This man said, I am the King of the Jews'."

**Narrator:** Pilate answered,

**Pilate:** "What I have written, I have written."

**Narrator:** When the soldiers had crucified Jesus they took his garments and made four parts, one for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was without seam, woven from top to bottom; so they said to one another,

**Soldiers:** "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be."

**Narrator:** This was to fulfil the scripture, "They parted my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots." So the soldiers did this. But standing by the cross of Jesus was his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother,

**Christus:** Woman, behold your son!"

**Narrator:** Then he said to the disciple,

**Christus:** "Behold, your mother!"

**Narrator:** And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. After this Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfil the scripture),

**Christus:** "I thirst."

**Narrator:** A bowl full of vinegar stood there; so they put a sponge full of the vinegar on hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the vinegar, he said,

**Christus:** "It is finished."

**Narrator:** And he bowed his head and gave up his spirit

*A period of silence is observed.*

Since it was the day of Preparation, in order to prevent the bodies remaining on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him; but when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness - his testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth - that you also may believe. For these things took place that the scripture might be fulfilled, "not a bone of him shall be broken." And again another scripture says, "They shall look on him whom they have pierced."  
*John 19.1-37*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Therefore we pray to our heavenly Father for people everywhere according to their needs.

Let us pray for the Church of God throughout the world:  
for unity in faith, in witness and in service,  
for bishops and other ministers, and those whom they serve,  
for June our bishop, and the people of this diocese,  
for all Christians in this place,  
for those to be baptized,  
for those who are mocked and persecuted for their faith,  
that God will confirm his Church in faith,  
increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Let us pray for the nations of the world and their leaders:  
for Elizabeth our Queen and the Parliaments of this land,  
for those who administer the law and all who serve in public office,  
for all who strive for justice and reconciliation,  
that by God's help the world may live in peace and freedom.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Let us pray for God's ancient people, the Jews,  
the first to hear his word:  
for greater understanding between Christian and Jew,  
for the removal of our blindness and bitterness of heart,  
that God will grant us grace to be faithful to his covenant  
and to grow in the love of his name.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Let us pray for those who do not believe the gospel of Christ:  
for those who have not heard the message of salvation,  
for all who have lost faith,  
for the contemptuous and scornful,  
for those who are enemies of Christ and persecute those who follow him,  
for all who deny the faith of Christ crucified,  
that God will open their hearts to the truth  
and lead them to faith and obedience.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Let us pray for all those who suffer:  
for those who are deprived and oppressed,  
for all who are sick,  
for those in darkness, in doubt and in despair, in loneliness and in fear,  
for prisoners, captives and refugees,  
for the victims of false accusations and violence,  
for all at the point of death and those who watch beside them,  
that God in his mercy will sustain them  
with the knowledge of his love.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Let us commend ourselves and all God's children to his unfailing love,  
and pray for the grace of a holy life,  
that, with all who have died in the peace of Christ,  
we may come to the fullness of eternal life  
and the joy of the resurrection.

*Silence is kept.*

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

*The choir sings:*

## **ANTHEM**

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens  
usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.

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

Words: Gradual for Vespers on Good Friday

Music: Felice Anerio (1560-1614)

## **THE DEVOTIONS BEFORE THE CROSS**

*The Cross is processed to a place of prominence.*

Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world:  
Come, let us adore.

# THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS

*After the unveiling of the Cross the Clergy make an act of devotion before it.*

*The choir sings:*

O vos omnes qui transitis per viam:  
attendite et videte si est dolor  
sicut dolor meus.  
Attendite, universi populi,  
et videte dolorem meum.  
Si est dolor similis sicut dolor meus.

*O all ye that pass by the way,  
attend and see if there be any sorrow  
like to my sorrow.  
Attend, all ye people,  
and see my sorrow:  
If there be any sorrow like to my sorrow.*

Words: Lamentations 1.12

Music: Tomás Luis da Victoria (1548-1611)

*A period of silent reflection follows.*

## HYMN

We sing the praise of him who died,  
Of him who died upon the Cross;  
The sinner's hope though all deride,  
For this we count the world but loss.

2. Inscribed upon the Cross we see  
In shining letters, 'God is love';  
He bears our sins upon the Tree;  
He brings us mercy from above.

3. The Cross! it takes our guilt away,  
It holds the fainting spirit up;  
It cheers with hope the gloomy day,  
And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.

4. It makes the coward spirit brave,  
And nerves the feeble arm for fight;  
It takes its terror from the grave,  
And gilds the bed of death with light;

5. The balm of life, the cure of woe,  
The measure and the pledge of love,  
The sinner's refuge here below,  
The angel's theme in heaven above.

Words: Thomas Kelly (1769–1854)

Music: BOW BRICKHILL  
Sydney Nicholson (1875–1947)

# RECEIVING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Standing at the foot of the Cross,  
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. Amen.**

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.

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy 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 Sacrament is administered as the choir sings:*

## ANTHEM

O languens Jesu, defuncte Jesu,  
Matris in sinu flentis!  
Nostros dolores, cordis amores  
Fac socios dolentis.

O Jesu chare, fac nos amare  
Te pro nobis dolentem.  
Te nunc deflendo, tecum dolendo,  
Videbimus gaudentem.

Lord, send down your abundant blessing upon your people who have devoutly recalled the death of your Son in the sure hope of the resurrection. Grant them pardon; bring them comfort. May their faith grow stronger and their eternal salvation be assured. We ask through Christ our Lord.

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved mankind: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A period of silence is kept.*

## HYMN

When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.

2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
save in the cross of Christ my God;  
the very things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.

4. His dying crimson, like a robe,  
spreads o'er his body on the tree;  
then am I dead to all the globe,  
and all the globe is dead to me.

3. See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were an offering far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Music: ROCKINGHAM  
Edward Miller (1735-1807)

*In the silence that follows, the Procession leaves the Cathedral.*



## **GOOD FRIDAY**

2.00pm An Hour of Prayer at the Foot of the Cross  
*in the Cathedral*

## **HOLY SATURDAY**

8.00pm Paschal Vigil and Choral Eucharist  
*Online only*

## **EASTER DAY**

8.00am Holy Eucharist

9.15am All-Age Eucharist  
*Admission by pre-booked ticket only*

11.15am Holy Eucharist  
*Admission by pre-booked ticket only*

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