



The Parish Church of St Mary Portsea



The Sung Mass of the Last Supper and Washing of Feet

The liturgy continues tomorrow, Good Friday, at 2pm

Please enter and leave the Church in silence.

Acknowledgments

Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England, and Lent, Holy Week and Easter
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We gather

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

Amen.

Christ the Lord was tempted and suffered for us.

O come, let us worship

The oils of the sick, baptism and Holy Chrism, blessed by the Bishop in the Cathedral earlier today are brought to the Altar and the Priest says Prayers of thanksgiving for them. They are kept in the Church – in the St. Boniface Chapel.

The Priest leads us in a time of prayer and stillness at the end of which

**Pour upon the poverty of our love
and the weakness of our praise
the transforming fire of your presence.
Amen.**

All sing

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 news.

Love is his news, love is his name,
we are his own, chosen and called,
family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love, is his name.

Love is his name, love is his law,
hear his command, all who are his,
'Love one another, I have loved you.'
Love, only love, is his law.

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.

L. Connaughton (1917-1979)

Tune: Cresswell

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.

We are sorry

Lord have mercy
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

God forgives us

At the end all pray **Amen**

We sing of God's glory

The Priest sings: **Gloria in excelsis deo**

A fanfare heralds the singing of the Gloria, during the refrain, as is traditional, bells are rung

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.**

**Glory to God in the Highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heav'nly King, Almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.**

**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.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.**

**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.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the Highest.**

Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne

We pray to God

The Priest prays the collect of the day, at the end all pray **Amen**

We listen to God's word

We hear a reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Sing praises all you people, sing praises to the Lord (x2)

All Sing praises all you people, sing praises to the Lord (x2)

I give you a new commandment,

Love one another just as I have loved you.

All Sing praises all you people, sing praises to the Lord (x2)

We hear the Gospel

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.

At the end ...

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ.

We reflect on God's word

The Priest prepares to wash the feet of twelve members of the congregation, as Christ washed the feet of his Disciples at the Last Supper. All sing

Jesus, the King divine,
took up the servant's bowl,
and as his kingship's sign
fulfilled the humble role.

This is his call:
that such as we
should gladly be
the slaves of all.

Low at our feet he kneels,
our Saviour and our Lord!
The love which Christ reveals
is more than earth affords!
We crush our pride,
accept with grace,
then take our place
at Jesus' side.

This new command I give:
to love as I love you,
and by the way you live
to show that love is true.
If this you do,
the world will see
you are in me,
and I in you.

Faith, hope and love, these three
eternally remain,
forever flowing free,
and never spent in vain.
As from above
God's graces flow,
his people know
the best is love.

*Please sit and reflect on the act, and on Christ's love and how he serves you, as the Choir sing
At the end, please stand*

We pray to God

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

On this night, he prayed for those who were
to believe through their message.
We pray for the mission of your Church
Lord, hear us **and renew our zeal.**

On this night, he commanded them 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, he reminded them 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, 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
and welcome all your children into paradise.

We share Christ's love and peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you

*Be aware of all who share in this celebration and reflect on how we share
Christ's peace in our lives and how we can show and share that peace with
others.*

The gifts of bread and wine are prepared and offered to God – reflect on what you are offering to God today – what lies in your hearts ...

The Word of God once spoken
to fill the world with light
as Word made flesh embraces
creation's darkest night.
United as his body,
his people still are fed;
his word of pow'r makes present
the Word enfleshed in bread.

The voice of Jesus calls us
to share his humble reign,
his baptism of sorrow,
his cup of hope and pain.
The signs of blood and water
still draw us to his side,
where flowing scarlet glory
drowns all our mortal pride.

We hear the words of Jesus,
'I give myself to you,'
and then his dread commandment,
'This also you must do.'
Like bread, let us be broken,
like wine, let us be poured,
that we may be for others
the body of the Lord.

'O let this cup pass from me,
yet may your will prevail.'
Though weak may be the body,
the spirit will not fail.
So may the church, though broken
by wounds of sin and shame,
enlivened by Christ's spirit,
bring glory to his name.

Words: unknown Tune: Passion Chorale

At the end of the hymn a prayer over the gifts is said, all respond

Amen.

We thank God

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 and good

The Priest offers thanks to God ending :

**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.

The Priest continues the prayer, asking that the Spirit may come upon the gifts and recalling the action of Jesus at the Last Supper

Jesus Christ is Lord:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection

you have set us free.

You are the Saviour of the world.

The Priest continues the prayer, at the end all respond

Amen.

Amen

We pray as Jesus 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.

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.

We break the bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

All we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

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

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

Jesus is the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sins 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.**

As those at the Church receive communion those elsewhere pray that you may be aware of Christ's presence with you and that you will be blessed and comforted by it

We watch and pray with Christ

*The Priest says a prayer and then the Sacrament is placed in an area of 'repose'
– reminding us of the Garden of Gethsemane*

Of the glorious body telling,
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
and the blood, all price excelling,
which the world's eternal King,
in a noble womb once dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming

Given for us, for us descending,
of a virgin to proceed,
man with man in converse blending,
scattered he the gospel seed,
till his sojourn drew to ending,
which he closed in wondrous deed.

At the last great supper lying
circled by his brethren's band,
meekly with the law complying,
first he finished its command,
then, immortal food supplying,
gave himself with his own hand.

Word made flesh, by word he maketh
very bread his flesh to be;
man in wine Christ's blood partaketh:
and if senses fail to see,
faith alone the true heart waketh
to behold the mystery.

If possible, all kneel for the last 2 verses

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 too his love confessing,
who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

Words: St Thomas Aquinas 1227-74

We are invited to watch and pray in stillness. As the choir sing Psalm 22 the altars and church are stripped of all ornaments and hangings.

The vigil of prayer will end at Midnight with a short reading from the Gospel about Jesus' arrest.