



St Cuthbert's Church
Earl's Court, SW5

Thursday 10th April 2020

Good Friday

Liturgy of the Day

1.30pm Mass Sheet for Private Use



Welcome to St Cuthbert's

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Paul Bagott

A selection of music recorded by members of the St Cuthbert's choir in isolation will be recorded for this service.

The first Hymn.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Celebrant enters in silence, and prostrates himself before the altar.

OPENING PRAYER

Then the celebrant stands and sings or says the following prayer.

Remember your mercies, O Lord,
and with your eternal protection
sanctify your servants,
for whom Christ your Son,
by the shedding of his Blood,
established the Paschal Mystery.
Who lives and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 52:13-53:12

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Behold, my servant shall prosper,
he shall be exalted and lifted up,
and shall be very high.
As many were astonished at him—
his appearance was so marred,
beyond human semblance,

and his form beyond that of the
sons of men— so shall he startle
many nations;
kings shall shut their mouths
because of him;
for that which has not been told
them they shall see, and that which
they have not heard they shall
understand.

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 comeliness that
we should look at him,

and no beauty that we should
desire him. He was despised and
rejected by men;

a man of sorrows, and acquainted
with grief; and as one from whom
men hide their faces

he was despised, and we esteemed
him not.

Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows; [

yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our
transgressions,
he was bruised for our iniquities;

upon him was the chastisement
that made us whole,
and with his stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned every one to his
own way; and the Lord has laid on
him

the iniquity of us all.
He was oppressed, and he was
afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the
slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its
shearers is dumb, so he opened not
his mouth.

By oppression and judgment he
was taken away;
and as for his generation, who
considered that he was cut off out
of the land of the living, stricken for
the transgression of my people?
And they made his grave with the
wicked and with a rich man in his
death, although he had done no
violence, and there was no deceit in
his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Lord to
bruise him;
he has put him to grief; when he
makes himself an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, he shall
prolong his days; the will of the
Lord shall prosper in his hand;
he shall see the fruit of the travail of
his soul and be satisfied; by his
knowledge shall the righteous one,
my servant,
make many to be accounted
righteous;
and he shall bear their iniquities.
Therefore I will divide him a
portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with
the strong; because he poured out
his soul to death,

and was numbered with the
transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the
transgressors.

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

PSALM

PSALM 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25

*Father, into your hands I commend my
spirit*

In you, O Lord, I take refuge.

Let me never be put to shame.

In your justice, set me free,

Into your hands I commend my
spirit.

It is you who will redeem me, Lord.

In the face of all my foes

I am a reproach,

an object of scorn to my neighbours
and of fear to my friends.

Those who see me in the street
run far away from me.

I am like a dead man, forgotten in
men's hearts,

like a thing thrown away.

But as for me, I trust in you, Lord;

I say: "You are my God.

My life is in your hands, deliver me
from the hands of those who hate
me.

Let your face shine on your servant.

Save me in your love.'

Be strong, let your heart take

courage,

all who hope in the Lord.

*Father, into your hands I commend my
spirit.*

SECOND READING

HEBREWS 4:14-16; 5:7-9

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 our confession. For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, 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 him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard for his godly fear. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and being made perfect he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
Christ was humbler yet,
even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high

and gave him the name which is above all names.

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

THE PASSION GOSPEL

Sung by the Choir

The Priest, says:

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

GOSPEL: JOHN 18 AND 19

At that time Jesus went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples. And Judas also, which betrayed him, knew the place: for Jesus oftentimes resorted thither with his disciples. Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons. Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye? They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am he. And Judas also, which betrayed him, stood with them. As soon then as he had said unto them, I am he, they went backward, and fell to the ground. Then asked he them again, Whom seek ye? And they said, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus answered, I have told you that I am he: if therefore ye seek me, let these go their way: that the saying might be fulfilled, which he spake, Of

them which thou gavest me have I lost none. Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus. Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it? Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him, and led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same year. Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple: that disciple was known unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest. But Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was known unto the high priest, and spake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter. Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter, Art not thou also one of this man's disciples? He saith, I am not. And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a fire of coals; for it was cold: and they warmed themselves: and Peter stood with them, and warmed himself.

The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine.

Jesus answered him, I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort; and in secret have I said nothing. Why askest thou me? Ask them which heard me, what I have said unto them: behold, they know what I said. And when he had thus spoken, one of the officers which stood by struck Jesus with the palm of his hand, saying, Answerest thou the high priest so? Jesus answered him, If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well, why smitest thou me? Now Annas had sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.

And Simon Peter stood and warmed himself. They said therefore unto him, Art not thou also one of his disciples? He denied it, and said, I am not. One of the servants of the high priest, being his kinsman whose ear Peter cut off, saith, Did not I see thee in the garden with him? Peter then denied again: and immediately the cock crew.

Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover. Pilate then went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring ye against this man? They answered and said unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have

delivered him up unto thee. Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death: that the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he should die.

Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews? Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me? Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?

Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence. Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice. Pilate saith unto him, What is truth?

And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all. But ye have a custom, that I should release unto you one at the passover: will ye therefore

that I release unto you the King of the Jews? Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.

Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.

Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.

Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me?

knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that

delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.
And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar.

At the mention of "Golgotha", all stand as able.

When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gab batha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away. And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha: where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in

Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews. Pilate answered, What I have written I have written. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.

After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth. When Jesus therefore had

received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

Here all kneel and pause for a short time.

The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs: but one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced. And after this Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus. And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a

mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight. Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

THE HOMILY

At the end of the Homily it is appropriate for there to be a brief silence for recollection.

THE SOLEMN INTERCESSIONS

FOR HOLY CHURCH

Let us pray, dearly beloved, for the holy Church of God, that our God and Lord be pleased to give her peace, to guard her and to unite her throughout the whole world and grant that, leading our life in tranquillity and quiet, we may glorify God the Father almighty.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, who in Christ revealed your glory to all the nations,

watch over the works of your mercy,
that your Church, spread throughout all the world, may persevere with steadfast faith in confessing your name.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR THE POPE

Let us pray also for our most Holy Father Pope N.,
that our God and Lord,
who chose him for the Order of Bishops,
may keep him safe and unharmed for the Lord's holy Church,
to govern the holy People of God.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, by whose decree all things are founded,
look with favour on our prayers and in your kindness protect the Pope chosen for us,
that, under him, the Christian people,
governed by you their maker,
may grow in merit by reason of their faith.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR ALL ORDERS AND DEGREES OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us pray also for our Bishop N.,
for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons of the Church

and for the whole of the faithful people.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is sanctified and governed,
hear our humble prayer for your ministers,
that, by the gift of your grace, all may serve you faithfully.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR CATECHUMENS

Let us pray also for (our) catechumens,
that our God and Lord
may open wide the ears of their inmost hearts
and unlock the gates of his mercy,
that, having received forgiveness of all their sins
through the waters of rebirth,
they, too, may be one with Christ Jesus our Lord.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God,
who make your Church ever fruitful with new offspring,
increase the faith and understanding of (our) catechumens,
that, reborn in the font of Baptism,
they may be added to the number of your adopted children.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FOR THE UNITY OF CHRISTIANS

Let us pray also for all our brothers and sisters who believe in Christ, that our God and Lord may be pleased, as they live the truth, to gather them together and keep them in his one Church.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, who gather what is scattered and keep together what you have gathered, look kindly on the flock of your Son, that those whom one Baptism has consecrated may be joined together by integrity of faith and united in the bond of charity. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE

Let us pray also for the Jewish people, to whom the Lord our God spoke first, that he may grant them to advance in love of his name and in faithfulness to his covenant.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God,

who bestowed your promises on Abraham and his descendants, graciously hear the prayers of your Church,

that the people you first made your own

may attain the fullness of redemption.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT BELIEVE IN CHRIST

Let us pray also for those who do not believe in Christ, that, enlightened by the Holy Spirit, they, too, may enter on the way of salvation.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, grant to those who do not confess Christ that, by walking before you with a sincere heart, they may find the truth and that we ourselves, being constant in mutual love and striving to understand more fully the mystery of your life, may be made more perfect witnesses to your love in the world. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT BELIEVE IN GOD

Let us pray also for those who do not acknowledge God,

that, following what is right in sincerity of heart, they may find the way to God himself.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God,
who created all people
to seek you always by desiring you
and, by finding you, come to rest,
grant, we pray,
that, despite every harmful
obstacle,
all may recognize the signs of your
fatherly love
and the witness of the good works
done by those who believe in you,
and so in gladness confess you,
the one true God and Father of our
human race.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR THOSE IN PUBLIC OFFICE

Let us pray also for those in public office,
that our God and Lord
may direct their minds and hearts
according to his will
for the true peace and freedom of
all.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God,
in whose hand lies every human
heart
and the rights of peoples,
look with favour, we pray,

on those who govern with
authority over us,
that throughout the whole world,
the prosperity of peoples,
the assurance of peace,
and freedom of religion
may through your gift be made
secure.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FOR THOSE IN TRIBULATION

Let us pray, dearly beloved,
to God the Father almighty,
that he may cleanse the world of all
errors,
banish disease, drive out hunger,
unlock prisons, loosen fetters,
granting to travellers safety, to
pilgrims return,
health to the sick, and salvation to
the dying.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God,
comfort of mourners, strength of all
who toil,
may the prayers of those who cry
out in any tribulation
come before you,
that all may rejoice,
because in their hour of need
your mercy was at hand.
Amen.

A Hymn is sung

THE ADORATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

The Celebrant gets the cross, and the wooden cross is brought into church and placed on the Altar.

Priest: Behold the wood of the cross on which hung the Salvation of the world.

All: Come, let us adore.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

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.

Prayer of Pope Francis when Holy Communion is not available to be received:

At your feet, O my Jesus, I bow and offer you the repentance of my sorrowful contrite heart in its nothingness and Your holy presence.

I adore you in the Blessed Sacrament of your love, eager to receive you in the poor abode that my heart offers you.

Waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I want to possess you in spirit.

Come to me, O my Jesus, for life and for death.

May your love ignite my whole being, for life and death.

I believe in you, I hope in you, I love you. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God, who have restored us to life by the blessed Death and Resurrection of your Christ, preserve in us the work of your mercy, that, by partaking of this mystery, we may have a life unceasingly devoted to you. Through Christ our Lord.

DISMISSAL

May abundant blessing, O Lord, we
pray, descend upon your people,
who have honoured the Death of
your Son in the hope of their
resurrection: may pardon come,
comfort be given, holy faith
increase,
and everlasting redemption be
made secure.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

All Depart in Silence



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