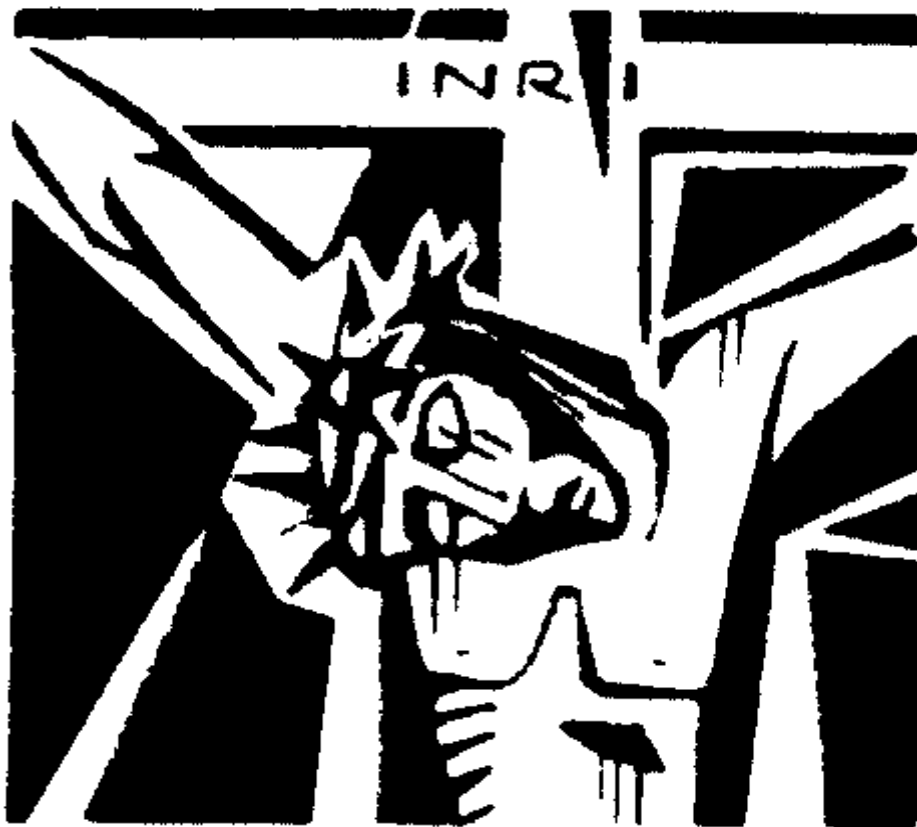


Good Friday Liturgy



The Parish of
St Edmund the King
Northwood Hills

The Liturgy of Good Friday

The Gathering

The ministers enter in silence.

All kneel for a time of silent prayer.

The Collect

All stand and the priest says the Collect

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.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

See, 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.

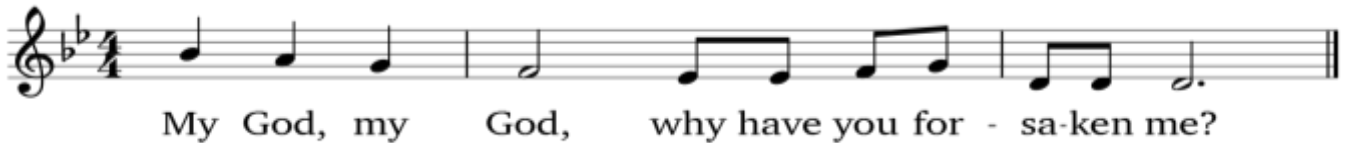
This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept.

Responsorial Psalm

Response



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. **R/**

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. **R/**

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, **R/**

‘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. **R/**

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 **R/**

Psalm 22.1-11

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,

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept.

Please stand to sing

1 There is a green hill far away,
outside a city wall,
where our 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.

The Passion Reading

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

At the end

This is the Passion of the Lord.

No response is made.

Silence is kept.

Sermon

The Prayers of Intercession

The priest introduces the prayers

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.

Minister 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 Sarah and Lusa, our bishops, 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.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All Amen.

Minister Let us pray for the nations of the world and their leaders: for Charles our King 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.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Priest Most gracious God and Father, in whose will is our peace,
turn our hearts and the hearts of all to yourself,
that by the power of your Spirit the peace which is founded on
justice may be established throughout the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Minister 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.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Priest Lord God of Abraham, bless the children of your covenant, both Jew
and Christian; take from us all blindness and bitterness of heart, and
hasten the coming of your kingdom, when the Gentiles shall be
gathered in, all Israel shall be saved, and we shall dwell together in
mutual love and peace under the one God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Minister 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.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Priest Merciful God,
creator of all the people of the earth,
have compassion on all who do not know you,
and by the preaching of your gospel with grace and power,
gather them into the one fold of the one Shepherd;
Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Minister 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.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Priest Almighty and everlasting God,
the comfort of the sad, the strength of those who suffer:
hear the prayers of your children who cry out of any trouble,
and to every distressed soul grant mercy, relief and refreshment,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Minister 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.

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery, and by the tranquil operation of your perpetual providence carry out the work of our salvation: and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up and things which had grown old are being made new and that all things are returning to perfection through him from whom they took their origin, even Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Proclamation of the Cross

A wooden cross is brought into the church and placed in the sight of the people. As the cross is carried in, the procession stops three times the following versicle and response is said or sung

This is the wood of the cross,
on which hung the Saviour of the world.



All Come, let us worship.

When the cross reaches the front of Church the priest venerates the Cross and then all are invited to come forward and venerate.

After the veneration we stand to sing

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| 1 | 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. | 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? |
| 2 | Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my
God;
All the vain things that charm me | 4 | Were the whole realm of nature
mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, |

most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

Demands my soul, my life, my all.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The altar is covered with a fair linen cloth and the Blessed Sacrament is placed on it.

The Lord's Prayer

Standing at the foot of the cross,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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.**

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

Giving of Communion

Behold the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin 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.**

The **Priest** and people receive communion. The following words of distribution are used

The body of Christ.

Amen.

After Communion we sing

- 1 O sacred head, sore wounded,
defiled and put to scorn;
O kingly head surrounded
with mocking crown of thorn:
What sorrow mars thy grandeur?
Can death thy bloom deflower?
O countenance whose splendour
the hosts of heaven adore!
- 2 Thy beauty, long-desirèd,
hath vanished from our sight;
thy power is all expirèd,
and quenched the light of light.
Ah me! for whom thou diest,
hide not so far thy grace:
show me, O Love most highest,
the brightness of thy face.
- 3 I pray thee, Jesus, own me,
me, Shepherd good, for thine;
who to thy fold hast won me,
and fed with truth divine.
Me guilty, me refuse not,
incline thy face to me,
this comfort that I lose not,
on earth to comfort thee.
- 4 I pray thee, Jesus, own me,
me, Shepherd good, for thine;
who to thy fold hast won me,
and fed with truth divine.
Me guilty, me refuse not,
incline thy face to me,
this comfort that I lose not,
on earth to comfort thee.
- 5 My days are few, O fail not,
with thine immortal power,
to hold me that I quail not
in death's most fearful hour;
that I may fight befriended,
and see in my last strife
to me thine arms extended
upon the cross of life.



The Conclusion

Silence is kept.

The service concludes with the following prayer without a blessing or dismissal

O Lord Jesus Christ,
Son of the living God,
set your passion, cross and death
between your judgement and our souls,
now and in the hour of our death.
Grant mercy and grace to the living,
rest to the departed,
to your Church peace and concord
and to us sinners forgiveness,
and everlasting life and glory;
for, with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
you are alive and reign,
God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The ministers depart in silence.

Please leave the Church Silently

