



The Parish Church of



Northwood Hills



## A DEVOTION FOR GOOD FRIDAY

*During this Devotion please stand for the hymns,  
and sit for the readings and meditations.*

*At the entry of the ministers, all kneel for silent prayer.*

### ACCLAMATION

We glory in your cross, O Lord,  
and praise and glorify your holy resurrection:

**All for by virtue of the cross,  
joy has come to the whole world.**

God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make your face to shine upon us,

**All that your way may be known upon earth,  
your saving power among the nations.**

We glory in your cross, O Lord,  
and praise and glorify your holy resurrection:

**All for by virtue of the cross,  
joy has come to the whole world.**

May the life giving cross be the source of all our joy and peace.

**All Amen.**

Almighty God, as we stand at the foot of the cross of your Son,  
help us to see and know your love for us,  
so that in humility, love and joy  
we may place at his feet all that we have and all that we are;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

Hymn 94 'We Sing The Praise Of Him Who Died'

## I GETHSEMANE

Burnt-offerings and sacrifice for sin you have not required:  
then said I, Lo, I come, in the volume of the book it is written of me,  
that I should fulfil your will, O my God

I will receive the cup of salvation.

**All And call upon the name of the Lord.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22.39-47

READING 'Gethsemane'

*Toyohiko Kagawa*

*We listen to a recording of*

"Eram Quasi Agnus" - *I was like an innocent Lamb:*

*I was led to be sacrificed and I knew it not*

*T.L. de Victoria, 1548 - 1611*

COLLECT

Lord Jesus Christ, who in the Garden of Gethsemane prayed with  
agony and bloody sweat that your Father's will be done; grant that  
the same mind be formed also in us, that dying to sin and selfishness  
we may rise to life with you: who live and reign with the same  
Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

HYMN 82 'Drop, Drop, Slow Tears'

*A short period of silence is kept*

## II THE TRIAL

I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who  
pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

Give sentence with me, O God,  
and defend my cause against the ungodly people.

**All O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 50.4-9a

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who in your tender love towards the human race  
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh  
and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the  
example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of  
his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PSALM 71 vv. 10-16,24

My enemies are talking against me,  
and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together.

**All They say, 'God has forsaken him;  
pursue him and take him;  
because there is none to deliver him.'**

O God, be not far from me;  
come quickly to help me, O my God.

**All Let those who are against me  
be put to shame and disgrace;  
let those who seek to do me evil  
be covered with scorn and reproach.**

But as for me I will hope continually  
and will praise you more and more.

**All My mouth shall tell of your righteousness  
and salvation all the day long,  
for I know no end of the telling.**

I will begin with the mighty works of the Lord God;  
I will recall your righteousness, yours alone.

**All My tongue also will tell of your righteousness  
all the day long, for they shall be shamed and disgraced  
who sought to do me evil.**

*A short period of silence is kept*

### III THE CRUCIFIXION

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

My God, my God, look upon me.

**All Why have you forsaken me?**

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 9.11-15

READING

'Tell Us'

*R.S.Thomas*

*We listen to a recording of "Miserere Mei Deus"*

Have mercy on me, O God,

According to your steadfast love

*Gregorio Allegri c. 1582 - 1652*

COLLECT

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

HYMN 84 'It Is A Thing Most Wonderful'

READING *From a Sermon of St. John Chrysostom*

*A short period of silence is kept*

**All Soul of Christ, sanctify me, body of Christ, save me,  
blood of Christ, inebriate me,  
water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesus, hear me: within thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death, call me  
and bid me come to thee, that with thy saints  
I may praise thee for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Anima Christi (14th century)*

*Silence is kept until the Liturgy of Good Friday at 2.00 pm*