

Good Friday 2nd April 2021, 3pm

THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Liturgical Colour: Red.

Activity in preparation for the service: *Think of the ways Our Lord Suffered! Could you draw, create, or hold something to symbolise and inspire others. May be making a crown of thorns, may be nails, may be the hammer that struck the nails, what other creative ways could we think of the suffering of Our Lord..... You can come early and tell everyone, say by 2.30 and share with others too. Our lord had five visible wounds recorded – was it all!!*

Please send me a photo of what you did, so that I will be able to make a video of our service for us to reflect how we spent this time to inspire ourselves and all!

Order of Service and the Readings at Mass Good Friday

Priest Falls Prostrate before the Altar

Opening Prayer – Fr Prem

1st Reading – Peter Luff

Responsorial Psalm – Teresa Canning

Second reading – Tony Clark

Gospel Acclamation – Jean Clark

Passion Narrative

Narrator – Sandra Lenagan

Other – John Bellasis

Crowd – Mary Joseph & Family

General Intercessions (Introduction) – Shared Between the Sr Lucy and Sr Norbert

Veneration of the Cross

Act of Spiritual Communion – Margaret King

Communion & Veneration of the cross – Hymn O Sacred Head sore wounded 552:

Intro: Louise V1 Jean V2 Steph V3 Mary V4 Anna V5 Kathleen

Prayer after communion and prayer over people – Fr Prem

There is no Mass today. The readings given here are used in the afternoon celebration of the Lord's Passion.

Prayers, Antiphons and Readings for the Mass

Priest Falls Prostrate before the Altar – *Few moments of silent prayer*

Collect

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.

First reading – *Peter Luff*

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

The servant of the Lord, an expiatory Sacrifice

See, my servant will prosper,
he shall be lifted up, exalted, rise to great heights.

As the crowds were appalled on seeing him
– so disfigured did he look
that he seemed no longer human –
so will the crowds be astonished at him,
and kings stand speechless before him;
for they shall see something never told
and witness something never heard before:
‘Who could believe what we have heard,
and to whom has the power of the Lord been revealed?’

Like a sapling he grew up in front of us,
like a root in arid ground.
Without beauty, without majesty we saw him,
no looks to attract our eyes;
a thing despised and rejected by men,
a man of sorrows and familiar with suffering,
a man to make people screen their faces;
he was despised and we took no account of him.

And yet ours were the sufferings he bore,
ours the sorrows he carried.
But we, we thought of him as someone punished,
struck by God, and brought low.
Yet he was pierced through for our faults,
crushed for our sins.
On him lies a punishment that brings us peace,
and through his wounds we are healed.

We had all gone astray like sheep,
each taking his own way,
and the Lord burdened him
with the sins of all of us.
Harshly dealt with, he bore it humbly,
he never opened his mouth,
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter-house,
like a sheep that is dumb before its shearers
never opening its mouth.

By force and by law he was taken;
would anyone plead his cause?
Yes, he was torn away from the land of the living;
for our faults struck down in death.
They gave him a grave with the wicked,
a tomb with the rich,
though he had done no wrong
and there had been no perjury in his mouth.

The Lord has been pleased to crush him with suffering.
If he offers his life in atonement,
he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life
and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over
he shall see the light and be content.
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,
taking their faults on himself.

Hence I will grant whole hordes for his tribute,
he shall divide the spoil with the mighty,
for surrendering himself to death
and letting himself be taken for a sinner,
while he was bearing the faults of many
and praying all the time for sinners.

The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm – *Teresa Canning*

Psalm 30(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.

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

In the face of all my foes
I am a reproach,
an object of scorn to my neighbours
and of fear to my friends.

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

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.

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

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.

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

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 – *Tony Clark*

Hebrews 4:14-16,5:7-9

The Lord burdened him with the sins of all of us

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

During his life on earth, he offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The Word of the Lord
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Gospel Acclamation – Jean Clark

Phil2:8-9

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!

Gospel

John 18:1-19:42

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

Key: N. Narrator. ✠ Jesus. O. Other single speaker. C. Crowd, or more than one speaker.

See separate sheets

Narrator – Sandra Lenagan

Other – John Belasis

Crowd – Mary Joseph & Family

(As it is long, I have given it as a separate file for you to download if you needed a printed version)

The Homily

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

The congregation then stands.

The Solemn Intercessions – Sr Lucy and Sr Norbert to introduce them

(These eleven in all long intercessions are Universal Prayers for the world. We will include the special prayer for these times of the pandemic that is given to us through the Bishop. Since they are long but very beautiful and inspiring, I have given it as a separate file on the parish website for you to download if you need it. It is worth a read and prayer even if you do not print it for the service)

Adoration (showing) of the cross – Unveiling of the cross for the first time
Veneration of the Cross – in Solemn Silence by the priest on behalf of his people

Spiritual Communion for those on Zoom

Our Father

Act of Spiritual Communion – Margaret King

Communion & Veneration of the cross – Hymn O Sacred Head sore wounded 552:

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Prayer after Communion

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.

Prayer over the People

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.

***Our Gaze – Adoration of
the Cross to follow with
our life and living!!***

Crucifixion (**Corpus Hypercubus**) is a 1954 oil-on-canvas painting by Salvador Dalí. A nontraditional, surrealist portrayal of the Crucifixion, it depicts Christ on the polyhedron net of a tesseract (hypercube). It is one of his best-known paintings from the later period of his career. (Wikipedia)

