

St Matthew's Church, Chichester Road, Croydon

Maundy Thursday

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Love one another as
I have loved you

¶ Welcome and Introduction

♪ Hymn ♪

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise:
in all His words most wonderful,
most sure in all His ways!

O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against the foe,
should strive, and should prevail.

And that a higher gift than grace
should flesh and blood refine:
God's presence and His very self,
and essence all-divine.

O generous love! that He who smote
in Man for man the foe,
the double agony in Man
for man should undergo.

And in the garden secretly,
and on the cross on high,
should teach His brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise;
in all His words most wonderful,
most sure in all His ways!

John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

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.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,**

**and from whom no secrets
are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of
our hearts by the inspiration of
your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your
holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Invitation to confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ says:

'If you love me, keep my
commandments.'

'Unless I wash you, you have no
part in me.'

Let us confess to almighty God our sins
against his love,
and ask him to cleanse us.

cf John 14.15; 13.8

Have mercy on us, O God,
in your great goodness;
according to the abundance of
your compassion
blot out our offences.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Against you only have we sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Purge us from our sin and we
shall be clean;

wash us and we shall be
whiter than snow.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the Father forgive us
by the death of his Son
and strengthen us

to live in the power of the Spirit
all our days.

Amen.

The Peruvian Gloria

Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father.

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father.**

To Him be glory for ever.

To Him be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God,
Son of the Father.

**Glory to God, glory to God,
Son of the Father.**

To Him be glory for ever.

To Him be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Spirit.

**Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Spirit.**

To Him be glory for ever.

To Him be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen.

The Collect

Let us pray that we may love one
another as Christ has loved us.

A period of silent prayer

God our Father,
you have invited us to share in the
supper which your Son gave to his

Church to proclaim his death until he
comes:

may he nourish us by his presence,
and unite us in his love;

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

Let us prepare ourselves for the Word
of God as it comes to us in the reading
of Holy Scripture.

Our hearts and minds are open.

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

Beloved: I received from the Lord what I
also handed on to you, that the Lord
Jesus on the night when he was betrayed
took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had
given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is
my body that is for you. Do this in
remembrance of me.' ²⁵In the same way
he took the cup also, after supper, saying,
'This cup is the new covenant in my
blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in
remembrance of me.' ²⁶For as often as
you eat this bread and drink the cup, you
proclaim the Lord's death until he
comes.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

♪ Hymn ♪

According to Thy gracious word,
in meek humility,
this will I do, my dying Lord,
I will remember Thee.

Thy body, broken for my sake,
my bread from heaven shall be;

Thy cup of blessing I will take,
and thus remember Thee.

Can I Gethsemane forget
or there Thy conflict see,
Thine agony and bloody sweat,
and not remember Thee?

When to the cross I turn mine eyes,
and rest on Calvary,
O Lamb of God, my sacrifice,
I must remember Thee:

Remember Thee, and all Thy pains,
and all Thy love to me;
yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
will I remember Thee.

And when these failing lips grow dumb,
and mind and memory flee,
when Thou shalt in Thy kingdom come,
then Lord, remember me.

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

The Gospel

Praise to you, O Christ,
King of eternal glory.

**Praise to you, O Christ,
King of eternal glory.**

I give you a new commandment,
says the Lord:

Love one another
as I have loved you.

**Praise to you, O Christ,
King of eternal glory.** *cf John 13.34*

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 13.1-17, 31b-35

Now before the festival of the Passover,
Jesus knew that his hour had come to
depart from this world and go to the
Father. Having loved his own who were

in the world, he loved them to the end.
²The devil had already put it into the
heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to
betray him. And during supper ³Jesus,
knowing that the Father had given all
things into his hands, and that he had
come from God and was going to God,
⁴got up from the table, took off his outer
robe, and tied a towel around himself.
⁵Then he poured water into a basin and
began to wash the disciples' feet and to
wipe them with the towel that was tied
around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter,
who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to
wash my feet?' ⁷Jesus answered, 'You do
not know now what I am doing, but later
you will understand.' ⁸Peter said to him,
'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus
answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have
no share with me.' ⁹Simon Peter said to
him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my
hands and my head!' ¹⁰Jesus said to him,
'One who has bathed does not need to
wash, except for the feet, but is entirely
clean. And you are clean, though not all
of you.' ¹¹For he knew who was to
betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not
all of you are clean.'

¹²After he had washed their feet, had put
on his robe, and had returned to the
table, he said to them, 'Do you know
what I have done to you?' ¹³You call me
Teacher and Lord - and you are right, for
that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and
Teacher, have washed your feet, you also
ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I
have set you an example, that you also
should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very
truly, I tell you, servants are not greater
than their master, nor are messengers
greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If
you know these things, you are blessed if
you do them. ³¹Now the Son of Man has
been glorified, and God has been

glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come."

³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

♪ Song ♪

An Upper Room did our Lord prepare
for those He loved until the end:
and His disciples still gather there
to celebrate their Risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave His own:
to share His bread, His loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
He by His Cross shall lift us up.

And after Supper He washed their feet,
for service, too, is sacrament.

In Him our joy shall be made complete
sent out to serve, as He was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace.
He loves beyond the uttermost:
in every room in our Father's house
He will be there, as Lord and Host.

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♪ Chant ♪

Ubi caritas et amor.
Ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

*Translation: Where there is charity and love,
God is there.*

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**Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us that what we do
for the least of our brothers and
sisters we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of
others as you were the servant of
all, and gave up your life and died
for us, but are alive and reign,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to
the Father through Christ the Saviour of
the world.

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 his disciples' message.

We pray for the mission of
your Church.

Lord, hear us
and renew our zeal.

On this night,
he commanded his disciples 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 his disciples 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.**

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled,
neither let them be afraid.'

cf John 14.27

The peace of the Lord be
always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a
sign of God's peace.

♪ Hymn ♪

Now, my tongue, the mystery telling
of the glorious body sing,
and the blood, all price excelling,
which the Gentiles' Lord and King,
in a virgin's womb once dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming.

given for us, and condescending
to be born for us below,
He, with us in converse blending,
dwelt the seed of truth to sow,
till He closed with wondrous ending
His most patient life of woe.

That last night, at supper lying,
'mid the Twelve, His chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying,
keeps the feast its rited demand;
then, more precious food supplying,
gives Himself with His own hand.

Word made flesh, true bread He maketh
by His word His flesh to be;
wine His blood; which whoso taketh
must from carnal thoughts be free:
faith alone, though sight forsaketh,
shows true hearts the mystery.

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 our 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.

*St Thomas Aquinas (c.1225-1274) trans. John Mason
Neale (1818-1866),
Edward Caswall (1814-1878) and others*

At the Eucharist we are with
our crucified and risen Lord.
We know that it was not only
our ancestors,
but we who were redeemed
and brought forth from bondage to
freedom, from mourning to feasting.
We know that as he was with them in
the upper room so our Lord

is here with us now.

**Until the kingdom of God comes
let us celebrate this feast.**

Blessed are you, Lord,
God of the universe,
you bring forth bread from the earth.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God
of the universe,
you create the fruit of the vine.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

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 to give you thanks,
Father most holy,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
For on this night he girded himself
with a towel and, taking the
form of a servant,
washed the feet of his disciples.
He gave us a new commandment
that we should love one another as he
has loved us.
Knowing that his hour had come,
in his great love he gave this supper
to his disciples
to be a memorial of his passion,
that we might proclaim his death
until he comes again,
and feast with him in his kingdom.
Therefore earth unites with heaven
to sing a new song of praise;
we too join with angels and archangels
as they proclaim your glory without end:

**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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of
your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our
Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that
he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples,
saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is
given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for
the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death
on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the
sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and
glorious ascension,

and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of
our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread
and this cup
and we thank you for counting us
worthy to stand in your presence and
serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one
cup, so that we, in the company of all the
saints, may praise and glorify you for
ever, through Jesus Christ
our Lord;

**by whom, and with whom,
and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who
sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
**we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

Agnus Dei

**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.**

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes
away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are
called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive
you, but only say the word and I
shall be healed.**

**We do not presume
to come to this your table,
merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and
great mercies.**

**We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the
crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always
to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son**

**Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made
clean by his body
and our souls washed through his
most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in
him and he in us. Amen.**

♪ **Song** ♪

*Broken for me, broken for you,
the body of Jesus, broken for you.*

He offered his body, He poured out His
soul;
Jesus was broken, that we might be
whole:

Come to My table and with Me dine;
eat of My bread and drink of My wine.

This is My body given for you;
eat it remembering I died for you.

This is My blood I shed for you;
for your forgiveness, making you new.

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Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful
sacrament you have given us the
memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred
mysteries of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruit of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign,
now and for ever.
Amen.

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your**

Son Jesus Christ.

**Through him we offer you our souls
and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Fill us with the power of your Spirit
that we may live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

¶ **The Dismissal**

May the Father,
who so loved the world that he gave his
only Son,
bring you by faith to his eternal life.
Amen.

May Christ,
who accepted the cup of sacrifice
in obedience to the Father's will,
keep you steadfast as you walk with him
the way of his cross.
Amen.

May the Spirit,
who strengthens us to suffer
with Christ that we may
share his glory,
set your minds on life and peace.
Amen.

*The ministers strip the altar during which
we sing this Taizé chant:*

Stay with me, remain here with me,
watch and pray, watch and pray.

*The Gospel of the Watch is read by
candlelight.*

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