

Saint Thomas's Church

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Evensong & Adoration at 5:00 pm



Christ's Entry into Jerusalem, William Blake, 1800
Pollok House, Glasgow, Scotland

Saint Thomas's Anglican Church

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself.

Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector



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Officiant: Fr. Nathan Humphrey
Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza


VOLUNTARY

O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde Groß, BWV 622,
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

PRECES



℣. O Lord, open thou our lips; ℞. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

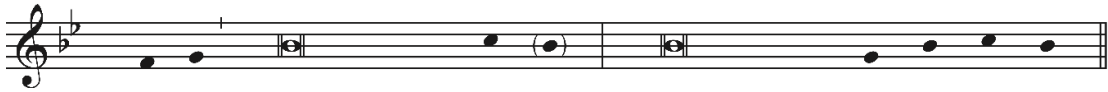


℣. O God, make speed to save us; ℞. O Lord, make haste to help us.

The Gloria Patri is omitted from the Preces in Holy Week.

PSALM 103

Benedic, anima mea.
VIII. 2.



- Cantor* 1 PRAISE THE Lord, O My **soul** :
People and all that is within me **praise** his ho-ly^Name.
- 2 Praise the Lord, O My **soul** : and forget not **all** his ben-e-fits;
- Cantor* 3 Who forgiveth all thy **sin** : and healeth all **thine** in-firm-i-ties;
- People* 4 Who saveth thy life from des-**truc**-tion :
 and crowneth thee with mercy and **lov**-ing kind-ness;
- Cantor* 5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with **good** things :
 making thee young and lusty **as** an ea-gle.
- People* 6 The Lord executeth righteousness and **judge**-ment :
 for all them that are op-**press**-ed with wrong.

- Cantor* 7 He show-ed his ways unto **Mo**-ses :
his works unto the chil-**dren** of Is-ra²el.
- People* 8 The Lord is full of compassion and **gra**-cious :
long-suffering, and **of** great good-ness.
- Cantor* 9 He will not alway be **chi**-ding : neither keepeth he his an-**ger** for ev-er.
- People* 10 He hath not dealt with us after our **sins** :
nor rewarded us according to our **wick**-ed-ness-es.
- Cantor* 11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the **earth** :
so great is his mercy also toward **them** that fear him.
- People* 12 Look how wide also the east is from the **west** :
so far hath he **set** our sins from[^]us.
- Cantor* 13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own **chil**-dren :
even so is the Lord merciful unto **them** that fear him.
- People* 14 For he knoweth whereof we are **made** :
he remembereth that **we** are but dust.
- Cantor* 15 The days of man are but as **grass** :
for he flourisheth as a **flower** of the field.
- People* 16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is **gone** :
and the place thereof shall **know** it no more.
- Cantor* 17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever
upon them that **fear** him :
and his righteousness unto **chil**-dren's chil-dren;
- People* 18 Even unto such as keep his **co**-ve²-nant :
and think upon his command-**ments** to do them.
- Cantor* 19 The Lord hath establish-ed his throne in **hea**-ven :
and his kingdom **ru**-leth ov-er[^]all.
- People* 20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in **strength** :
ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the **voice**
of his word.
- Cantor* 21 O praise the Lord, all ye his **hosts** :
ye servants of his that **do** his plea-sure.
- People* 22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his do-
min-ion : praise thou the **Lörd**, O my[^]soul.

The Gloria Patri is omitted from the Psalms in Holy Week.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 52.13-53-end

The First Lesson is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah, in the fifty-second chapter, beginning at the thirteenth verse.

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.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

The People remain seated for a period of quiet reflection, standing when the Choir stands.

THE MAGNIFICAT Fauxbourdons, Tone VII.i, Thomas Morely (1557-1602)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, / and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded / the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth / all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; / and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him / throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; /
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, /
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things; /
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy / hath holpen his servant Israel;
As he promised to our forefathers, / Abraham and his seed for ever.

The Gloria Patri is omitted in Holy Week.

The People sit.

SECOND LESSON

Luke 19.29-end

The Second Lesson is written in the Gospel according to Saint Luke, in the nineteenth chapter, beginning at the twenty-ninth verse.

When Jesus had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the

colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, saying, "If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. Indeed, the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up ramparts around you and surround you, and hem you in on every side. They will crush you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave within you one stone upon another; because you did not recognize the time of your visitation from God."

Then he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling things there; and he said, "It is written, 'My house shall be a house of prayer'; but you have made it a den of robbers." Every day he was teaching in the temple. The chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people kept looking for a way to kill him; but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were spellbound by what they heard.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

The People remain seated for a period of quiet reflection, standing when the Choir stands.

NUNC DIMITTIS

Fauxbourdons, Tone V.i, Thomas Morely

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, /
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, / and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

The Gloria Patri is omitted in Holy Week.

APOSTLES' CREED

The Creed is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

I believe in God
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.

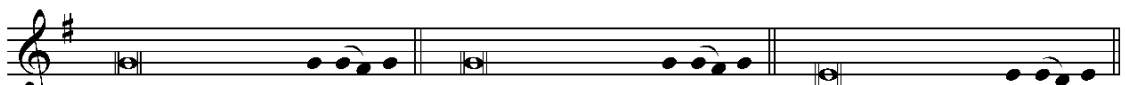
The Officiant and Choir sing alone,

THE SALUTATION AND LESSER LITANY



∩.The Lord be___ with___ you; R.And with thy___ spi - rit. ∩.Let us pray.

The People kneel.



∩.Lord, have mercy up-on us. R.Christ, have mercy up-on us. ∩.Lord, have mercy up-on us.

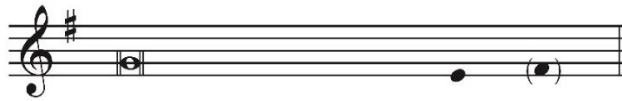
THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer is chanted on a monotone, the Officiant beginning,

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE RESPONSES



℣. O Lord, show thy mercy up-**on** us;

℞. And grant us thy salva-**tion**.

℣. O Lord, save **the** King,

℞. And mercifully hear us when we call up-**on** thee.

℣. Endue thy ministers with righ-**teous**-ness.

℞. And make thy chosen people joy-**ful**.

℣. O Lord, save thy peo-**ple**.

℞. And bless thine inhe-**ri**-tance.

℣. Give peace in our time, **O** Lord;

℞. And evermore mightily defend **us**.

℣. O God, make clean our hearts with-**in** us;

℞. And take not thy Holy Spirit **from** us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The People sit.

ANTHEM

'It is a thing most wonderful,' Philip Moore (b. 1943)

It is a thing most wonderful, almost too wonderful to be that God's own Son should come from heav'n, and die to save a child like me. And yet I know that it is true; he chose a poor and humble lot, and wept and mourned and toiled and died, for love of those who loved him not. I sometimes think about the Cross, and shut my eyes and try to see the cruel nails and crown of thorns and Jesus crucified for me. But even could I see him die, I could but see a little part of that great love which like a fire, is always burning in his heart. And yet I want to love thee Lord; O light the flame within my heart, that I may love thee more and more, until I see thee as thou art. It is a thing most wonderful.

W. Walsham How (1823-97)

The People kneel.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

The Officiant says selected prayers, following which all say the General Thanksgiving.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness To us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; But above all for thine inestimable love In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; For

the means of grace, And for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, And that we show forth thy praise, Not only with our lips, but in our lives; By giving up ourselves to thy service, And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13.14

The People stand.

HYMN

The flaming banners of our King

The flaming banners of our King
ad - vance through his self of - fer - ing.
He lived to rob death of its sting;
he died e - ter - nal life to bring.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a long note for 'King'. The second staff ends with a long note for 'ing'. The third staff ends with a long note for 'sting;'. The fourth staff ends with a long note for 'bring.' and a double bar line.

Lower 2 A Roman soldier drew a spear
Voices To mix his blood with water clear.
That blood retains its living power:
The water cleanses to this hour.

All 3 The crowd would have been satisfied
To see a prophet crucified.
They stumbled on a mystery:
Messiah reigning from a tree.

Upper 4 With what strange light the rough trunk shone,
Voices Its purple limbs a royal throne,
Its load a royal treasury:
The ransom of a world set free.

All 5 The best are shamed before that wood;
The worst gain power to be good.
O grant, most blessed Trinity,
That all may share the victory.

The People kneel at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

VERBUM SUPERNUM

O Sa - ving Vic - tim, op' - ning wide
All praise - and thanks - to thee as - cend
the gate of heav'n to man be - low,
for ev - er more, blest One in Three;
our foes press on life from ev - 'ry side.
O grant us life that shall not end
Thine aid sup - ply, thy strength be - stow.
in our true na - tive land with thee.
A - men.

MOTET

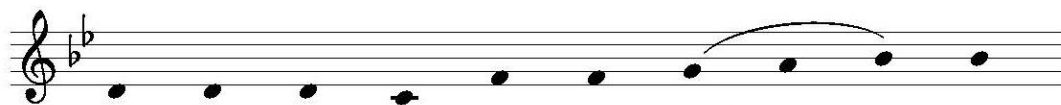
Crucifixus, Antonio Lotti (1667-1740)

Crucifixus etiam pro nobis: sub Pontio Pilato passus et sepultus est.

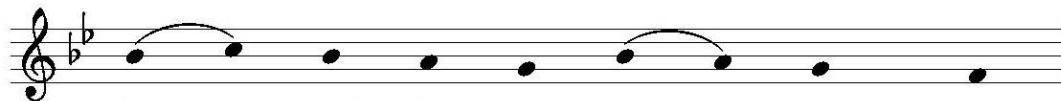
He was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM

PANGE LINGUA



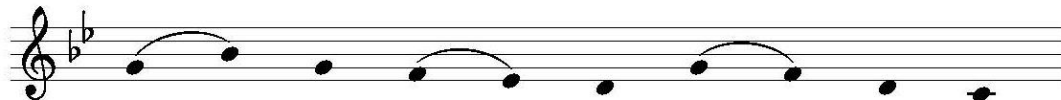
There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing,
Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing



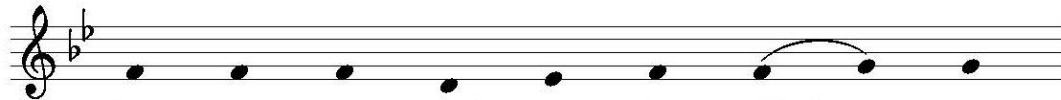
this great Sa - cra - ment re - vere;
to - the Fa - ther and the Son,



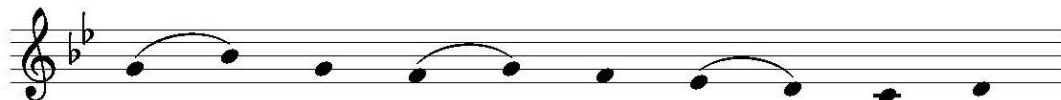
types and sha - dows have their end - ing,
hon - our, might, and praise ad - dress - ing,



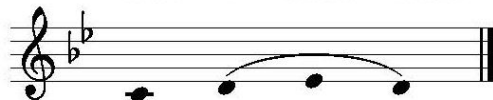
for the new - er rite is here;
while e - ter - nal a - ges run;



faith, our out - ward sense be - friend - ing,
ev - er too his love con - fess - ing,



makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.
who from Both with Both is One.



A - men.

The People match the pitch of the Minister on the underlined syllable.

Thou gavest them Bread from heaven;
Containing in itself all sweet-ness.

COLLECT OF CORPUS CHRISTI

O God, who in a wonderful sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us so to reverence the holy mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

PSALM 117—Laudate Dominum; *Tone VI*

Antiphon:

Cantor

People



Let us a - dore Christ our Lord, in the most Ho - ly Sac - ra - ment.

Tone VI



O PRÄISE the Lord, all ye **na**-tions : laud him, **all** yë peo-ples.

For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-**wards** us :
and the truth of the Lord endureth for **ev**-ër. Praise the[^]Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** thë Ho-ly[^]Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be :
world with-**out** end. A-men.

All repeat the Antiphon from the beginning.

The People remain kneeling as the Sacrament is carried to the Lady Altar and reposed.

The People rise at the sound of the Sanctus bells.

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*Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer services generally last 15-25 minutes
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MORNING PRAYER

8:30 AM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:30 AM, SATURDAY

7:30 AM, SUNDAY

EVENING PRAYER

5:00 PM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

5:00 PM SUNDAY (CHORAL EVENSONG)

Choral Evensong on Sundays is followed by Eucharistic devotions.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

LOW MASS 8:00 AM

SUNG MASS 9:30 AM

HIGH MASS 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY LOW MASS

12:15 PM, MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

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