

Maundy Thursday



The Triduum MMXXI

On this very night, the night He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ, loving those who were His own in the world even to the end, offered His Body and Blood for the first time.

This service is, first of all, the memorial of the institution of the Holy Eucharist, that is of the memorial of the Last Supper.

On this night, when 'Christ our paschal lamb was sacrificed', what had long been promised in signs and figures was at last revealed and brought to fulfillment. The true Lamb replaced the symbolic lamb, and the many offerings of the past gave way to the single sacrifice of Christ.

The Liturgy begins in a spirit of joy and festivity, and then slowly changes to a more solemn tone which will continue until the Great Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.

*The three days of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday) are **one** long continuing service; Therefore, there is no ending, no final blessing, nor a dismissal for this service.*

THE PRELUDE: *Melodie*

R. Schumann

THE INTROIT HYMN *Unde et Memoria Hymnal #337*
(Please Stand)

1 And now, O Fa - ther, mind - ful of the love that
 2 Look Fa - ther, look on his a - noint - ed face, and
 *3 And then for those, our dear - est and our best, by
 *4 And so we come; O draw us to thy feet, most

bought us, once for all, on Cal - vary's tree, and hav - ing with us
 on - ly look on us as found in him; look not on our mis -
 this pre - vail - ing pres - ence we ap - peal; O fold them clos - er
 pa - tient Sa - vior, who canst love us still! And by this food, so

him that pleads a - bove, we here pre - sent, we here spread
 us - ings of thy grace, our prayer so lan - guid, and our
 to thy mer - cy's breast! O do thine ut - most for their
 awe - some and so sweet, de - liv - er us from ev - ery
 forth to thee, that on - ly of - fering per - fect in thine
 faith so dim: for lo! be - tween our sins and their re -
 soul's true weal! From taint - ing mis - chief keep them pure and
 touch of ill: in thine own ser - vice make us glad and
 eyes, the one true, pure, im - mor - tal sac - ri - fice.
 ward, we set the pas - sion of thy Son our Lord.
 clear, and crown thy gifts with strength to per - se - vere.
 free, and grant us nev - er - more to part from thee.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

(+) Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

All: His mercy endures for ever.

THE WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; 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 KYRIE *Missa de Angelis*

(Congregation Repeats each line)

Musical notation for the first line of the Kyrie. The melody is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are "Ky-ri - e - le - i - son".

Musical notation for the second line of the Kyrie. The melody is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are "Chris-te e - le i son".

Musical notation for the third line of the Kyrie. The melody is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are "Ky-ri - e - le - i - son".

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *(Please kneel)*

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Let us pray:

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Sermon

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON (*Please be seated*)

The Book of Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM (*Please Stand*) [T.P.] *Psalm 116:1, 10-17*



I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *

In the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the Lord *

Is the death of his servants.

O Lord, I am your servant; *

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;

you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *

And call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *

In the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the Lord's house, *

In the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

THE EPISTLE *(Please be seated)*

The 1st Epistle of St Paul to the Corinthians (11:23-26)

For 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, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In 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." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *(Standing)*

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy (+) Gospel of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ according to (+) St John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then 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. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus 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." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After 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? You call me Teacher and Lord--and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the people so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord. *All:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray for the Church, praying especially, this night, for Unity in the Universal Church, and for an end to the scandal of our divisions:

We commend to you, Almighty God, the whole Christian Church throughout the world. Bless all in every place who call on the name of your Son. May the grace and power of your Holy Spirit fill every member, so that we may together bear witness for you on the earth. If it be good in your sight, heal the outward divisions of your people, disposing the wills of all to a true union in the Truth.

*//Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.***

Let us pray for all rulers and leaders around the world:

May your Holy Spirit, O God, rest upon all who bear great responsibilities for government among the nations. Teach them to seek your will. When they turn to you for guidance, let your way be plain to them; and when they do not seek you, overrule their decisions for the good of all your children and the honour of your kingdom. //Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all those who are not with us this night – for our absent friends and relatives – and for those who feel they have been cut off from your Church:

O Lord Jesus Christ, who on this night washed your disciples' feet, leaving us an example of humble service: Grant that our souls may be washed from all defilement; grant us - and all your children – the courage to forgive; and grant that we fail not to serve you in the least of our brethren. //Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all those who are sick or suffering in any way – those known to us, and those un-known to us, remembering especially all those who have asked us to pray for them:

O Saviour of the world, who in Gethsemane accepted the bitter cup in submission to your Father's will; Look mercifully upon our weak and wayward lives, and arm us with such strength and courage that we may tread without fear with the crosses we have to carry. //Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us remember all those who have died and gone before God's throne of Judgment, remembering especially all our loved ones who have died:

O Christ, the true vine and the source of life, ever giving yourself that the world may live; who taught us that those who would follow you must be ready to lose their lives for your sake: Grant us, and all those who have died, so to receive within our souls the power of your eternal sacrifice, that in sharing your cup we may share your glory, and at the last be made perfect in your love.

//Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

All: Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

THE CONFESSION *(remain kneeling)*

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate these most sacred mysteries of Christ's love, let us acknowledge our sins and ask the Lord for pardon and strength.

All: God eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy upon you, (+) forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

O Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church: and grant her peace and unity according to your will: who lives and reigns God throughout all ages, world without end. **Amen.**
(Please Stand)

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of that peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE: Christ became obedient for us unto death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him: and given Him a name which is above every other name.

THE SURSUM CORDA (*Remain Standing*)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendour of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

THE SANCTUS

Hymnal #S128

The musical score is written on five staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Please kneel)

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Saviour. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, He lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor He proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose He gave Himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for Him who died and rose for us, He sent the Holy Spirit, His own first gift for those who

believe, to complete His work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Him to be glorified by you, His heavenly Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end; at supper with them He took bread in His holy and venerable hands, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said,

“**T**AKE, EAT:
THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper He took the chalice of wine in His holy and venerable hands; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said,

“**D**RINK 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.

Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and His descent among the dead, proclaiming His resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting His coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All: **We praise you, we bless you,
We give thanks to you,
And we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed

by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All: **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as Christ our Saviour, Himself, has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: **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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

All: **Though we are many, we are one Body, because we all share in one bread.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All: **Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, O Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your Bread with sinners. So cleanse and feed us with the precious Body and Blood of your Son, that He may live in us and we in Him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.**

THE AGNUS DEI

Hymnal #S159

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way
the sins of the world, have mer - cy
up - on us. O Lamb of God,
that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of
the world, grant us thy peace.


THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

(+) Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.


All: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, but speak the word and my soul shall be healed.**

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTARS

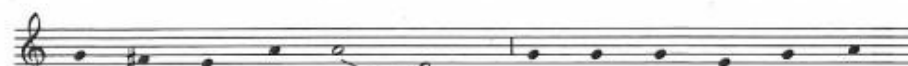
(Please kneel) Hymnal #166




1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; of the might - y con - flict
 2 Thir - ty years a - mong us dwell - ing, his ap - point - ed time ful -
 3 He en - dures the nails, the spit - ting, vin - e - gar, and spear, and
 4 Faith - ful cross! a - bove all o - ther, one and on - ly no - ble
 5 Bend thy boughs, O tree of glo - ry! Thy re - lax - ing sin - ews
 *6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the



1 sing; tell the tri - umph of the vic - tim, to his
 2 filled, born for this, he meets his pas - sion, this the
 3 reed; from that ho - ly bo - dy bro - ken blood and
 4 tree! None in fo - liage, none in blos - som, none in
 5 bend; for a - while the an - cient ri - gor that thy
 6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er



1 cross thy tri - bute bring. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re -
 2 Sa - vior free - ly willed: on the cross the Lamb is
 3 wa - ter forth pro - ceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and
 4 fruit thy peer may be: sweet - est wood and sweet - est
 5 birth be - stowed, sus - pend; and the King of heaven - ly
 6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in



1 deem - er from that cross now reigns as King.
 2 lift - ed, where his pre - cious blood is spilled.
 3 o - cean, by that flood from stain are freed.
 4 i - ron! sweet - est weight is hung on thee.
 5 beau - ty gent - ly on thine arms ex - tend.
 6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); ver. Hymnal 1982, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866)
 Music: *Pange lingua*, plainsong, Mode 3, Sarum Melody

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The Service will continue to-morrow at 7.30 pm

Please do not remove booklet from Church until Saturday

To all Visitors to St Ambrose's,

A very warm welcome! We are delighted to have you with us. This booklet has been designed to help you worship with us.

Please note that wherever it says "stand, sit, kneel" – such are only suggestions based on the customs of the parish. You are, naturally, welcome to do whatever you find most comfortable.

We hope this booklet will be of help.

Please remember us in your prayers, and we hope you will return to worship with us again.

*Devotedly in Christ,
Fr. Shane Scott-Hamblen,
Interim Rector*