

Holy Week Liturgy



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St Thomas of Canterbury
and St Wilfrid's Schools

Thursday, 9th April 2020

Please join us in prayer at 5.00pm



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We invite you to join us in prayer as we reflect on the events of Holy Week.
Please join in with the hymns and prayers.

We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Hymn: Meekness and Majesty

Meekness and Majesty
Graham Kendrick

Meekness and Majesty,
manhood and deity,
in perfect harmony,
the man who is God.
Lord of eternity
dwells in humanity,
kneels in humility
and washes our feet.

*O, what a mystery,
meekness and majesty,
bow down and worship,
for this is our God.
This is our God.*

Father's pure radiance,
perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience
to death on a cross.
Suff'ring to give us life,
conqu'ring through sacrifice;
and as they crucify prays
"Father forgive."

Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible:
love indestructible
in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity,
stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity
to the heights of his throne.



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As we celebrate the passion and death of Our Lord, strengthen us in our weakness. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

All: Amen

Today as we approach Easter, we are going to remind ourselves of the events of Holy Week. We will begin with Palm Sunday.

Jesus entered Jerusalem with his friends. The people greeted him with shouts of: "Hosanna to the king of Kings!"

Hymn: Give me Joy in my Heart

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
give me joy in my heart, I pray
Give me joy in my heart keep me praising.
Keep me praising till the end of day.

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to the King!

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,
give me peace in my heart, I pray.
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting.
Keep me resting till the end of day.

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
give me love in my heart, I pray.
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving.
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Later in the week Jesus sat down to celebrate Passover with his friends.

As they were eating He took bread, blessed it and broke it. He gave it to his disciples saying:

“This is my body.”

Then he took a cup of wine, gave thanks, gave it to the disciples to drink saying: “This is my blood which is poured out for many.”

Hymn: This is My Body

1. This is my body, broken for you,
bringing you wholeness, making you free. Take it and eat it, and when you do,
do it in love for me.
2. This is my blood poured out for you, bringing forgiveness, making you free.
Take it and drink it, and when you do, do it in love for me.

After the psalms were sung, they left for the Mount of Olives to go to a garden, where Jesus prayed to his Father.

His friends fell asleep.



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It was here in the garden that Jesus was betrayed.

He was led away to the high priest, who handed him over to Pilate.

As it was festival time, Pontius Pilate was able to release a prisoner. He gave the people a choice between a bad man called Barabbas, or Jesus.

The crowd shouted:
“Barabbas!”

So Pilate had Jesus scourged and handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers took charge of Jesus and gave him His cross to carry.
He was crucified along with two other men, one on either side of him.

Near the cross, stood Mary his mother and a disciple he loved.
At the sixth hour, Jesus gave up his spirit and died.



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Hymn: Jesus Remember Me

Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come in to your kingdom.

At the place where Jesus had been crucified there was a garden, and in this garden there was a new tomb. Joseph of Arimathea took Jesus' body to the tomb.

He rolled a large stone across the entrance of the tomb and went away.

Hymn: Servant King

SERVANT KING by Graham Kendrick

From Heaven you came, helpless babe,	Come see His hands and His feet,
Entered our world, your glory veiled,	The scars that speak of sacrifice,
Not to be served but to serve,	Hands that flung stars into space
And give your life that we might live.	To cruel nails surrendered.

<i>This is our God, the Servant King</i>	So let us learn how to serve
<i>He calls us now to follow Him,</i>	And in our lives enthrone Him,
<i>To bring our lives as a daily offering</i>	Each other's needs to prefer,
<i>Of worship to the Servant King.</i>	For it is Christ we're serving.

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load he chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not my will, but Yours,' He said.



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Final Hymn: Jesus Remember Me.

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