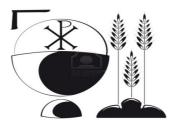
HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD



Tonight we share the Last Supper with Jesus and his disciples. We celebrate with joy, because this gift of Jesus to his Church is still the source and focus of our life. At the supper Jesus showed the depth of his love and commitment by washing the feet of his disciples. Tonight we also wash feet because it is through acts of loving service for one another that we respond to Christ's command to love. Christ's loving surrender brought suffering with it: this supper is the immediate prelude to his arrest, trial and execution. At the end of the service tonight the Sacrament is taken to another part of the church and there we keep silent vigil with our Lord in the garden of Gethsemane.

Maundy Thursday April 6th 2023

Welcome to Holy Innocents. This leaflet contains all you need to join in the service. Words **in bold print** are spoken or sung by all. Hymns are not announced. It is our tradition be as still and quiet as possible before the service as we prepare together to celebrate the Eucharist. When the bell rings, please stand to join in:

ENTRANCE HYMN 439

Amen.

The president tonight is the Revd Richard Young. Please remain standing for the greeting and act of penitence.

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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.

A time of silent prayer follows, then: Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; 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; 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.**

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT The prayer for this evening

Let us pray.

After a moment of silent prayer the president says the Collect. At the end: **Amen.**

Please sit down for the Ministry of the Word.

FIRST READING Exodus 12: 1-4, 11-14

At the end: This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 116



Refrain: O Lord, I am your servant; you have freed me from my bonds.

I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my **sup**plication; //because he inclined his ear to me **on** the day I called to him.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pains of **hell** took hold of me;

by grief and **sor**row was I held.

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of **all** his people. //Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death **of** his faithful servant. //O Lord, I am your servant, your servant, the **child of** your handmaid;

you have **freed** me from my bonds.

I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the **name of** the Lord.//I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the **presence** of all his people,//In the courts of the **house of** the Lord,// in the **midst of** you, O Jerusalem.

SECOND READING

1 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.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to sing:

HYMN 276

GOSPEL READING

13: 1-17, 31b-35

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.

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit down for the sermon. The preacher tonight is the Revd Jane Walker. After the sermon there will be a time of silence.

The WASHING OF FEET follows.

Those who wish to have their feet washed are invited to move to the front row.



John

During the washing of feet the choir will sing a setting of Ubi Caritas. At the end:

Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for him: give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please stand for the PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL: 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 their message. We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, hear us - and renew our zeal.

On this night he commanded them to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and the unloved.

Lord, hear us - and fill us with your love.

On this night he reminded them 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.

Lord, as we prepare to journey with you to your cross and resurrection:

We offer these prayers in your name. Amen.

The president introduces the PEACE.....

....the peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

All exchange a sign of peace

OFFERTORY HYMN 269

The bread and wine are brought to the altar.

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 into 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.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER follows. 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 thanks and praise. The president continues the prayer, thanking God for his saving works, and then invites the people to join their praises with the whole company of heaven:

.....we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing: 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.

THE PRESIDENT asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify the bread and wine, and then repeats the Lord's own words over the bread and

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Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

THE PRESIDENT CONTINUES, joining our offering with Christ's sacrifice of himself. At the end of the prayer the president says:

.....all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever: **Amen.**

The President introduces the Lord's Prayer and all say together:

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, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen. We sit or kneel as the president breaks the conservated bread in pieces for all to charge.

consecrated bread in pieces for all to share: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The president addresses those who wish to come to Holy Communion:

Behold 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.

Those who wish to receive the Sacrament or a blessing approach the altar. During communion the choir sings a setting of "Bread of the world in mercy broken." Then there will be a time of silent prayer. At the end of the silence please stand with the president.

Let us pray.

After a few moments of silent prayer. Lord, 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.

HYMN 268 part 1 Please sit or kneel

The Blessed Sacrament is carried to the Tabernacle, where it will be kept until tomorrow.

At the end of the procession please join in **PART 2** of **HYMN 268**.

The altar and sanctuary are stripped while the choir sings a setting of the Lamentations of Jeremiah:

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God" A **Watch of Silent Prayer** is kept until 10.00pm, and people are invited to stay for as long as they wish and to come and go from the Watch as they please.

Our vigil ends with the reading of the Gospel of the Watch (Luke 22: 31-62) Please leave the church as quietly as possible.

Good Friday

12 noon Silent Prayer Meditation on the Lord's Passion **2.00pm**

The Liturgy of the Passion

Easter Eve – Holy Saturday 8.30pm

The Easter Vigil

Easter Day

10am

Sung Eucharist of the Resurrection



Bread of the world in mercy broken, wine of the soul in mercy shed, by whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead. Look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed; and be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.