

THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT MARY, PULBOROUGH



MAUNDY THURSDAY

2nd April, 2026

Celebrant: Fr Paul

Preacher: Austen Hindman

Organist: Tony Hancock

The Readings: Toni Hayes and Ann Kaiser

Intercessions: Susie Hindman

**7.30pm The SING EUCHARIST of the
LORD'S SUPPER followed by 'The Watch'**

The Great Easter Liturgy begins this evening and is the first of the three parts which make up the most important celebration in the Christian year.

*Introductory organ music: "Straf mich nicht in deinem Zorn" –
Siegfried Karg-Elert.*

Please stand when the bell is rung

The Gathering

**The Entrance Hymn: O&N 429
Luke Connaughton (1917-1979)**

- 1** Love is his word, love is his way,
feasting with kin, fasting alone,
living and dying, rising again,
love, only love, is his way.
*Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:
better than splendour and wealth.*
- 2** Love is his way, love is his mark,
sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at the table, host to the Twelve,
love, only love, is his mark. *Refrain*
- 3** Love is his mark, love is his sign,
bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
'This is my body, this is my blood,'
love, only love, is his sign. *Refrain*
- 4** Love is his sign, love is his news,
'Do this,' he said, 'lest you forget
all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood,'
love, only love, is his news. *Refrain*

5 Love is his news, love is his name,
we are his own, chosen and called,
family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love, is his name. *Refrain*

6 Love is his name, love is his law.
Hear his command, all who are his:
'Love one another, I have loved you.'
Love, only love, is his law. *Refrain*

7 Love is his law, love is his word:
love of the Lord, Father and Word,
love of the Spirit, God ever one,
love, only love, is his word. *Refrain*

✠In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



The Reception of the Holy Oils

Brothers and sisters, on this most holy night we enter into the three days of the celebration of our Lord's paschal victory, his death and resurrection. Those who are to be baptized this Eastertide will be made one with Christ, dying to sin and rising to newness of life in him. As we begin, therefore, we receive from our bishop Martin, the holy oils blessed and set apart for the sacramental life of our parish.

The three oils are now presented at the altar and then put away in the aumbry

The Oil of the Sick.

By the laying on of hands and anointing with this oil, and with the prayerful support of this community, may those who are sick experience the healing presence of Christ. **Amen.**

The Oil of Baptism.

Anointed with this oil, and assisted by the example of this community, may those who are to be baptized know that Christ calls them by name and makes them his own and shares with them his victory over sin and the power of evil. **Amen.**

The Oil of Chrism.

Anointed with this fragrant oil, may all who are baptized and confirmed, all who are ordained to the service of God's people, and this community whose house of prayer is dedicated to God's glory, fill the world with the sweet fragrance of Christ's gospel and be built up as living stones into a temple filled with the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Prayers of Penitence

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

John 13. 8

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

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
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,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon us,
✠ pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria is introduced with a fanfare and bells to mark the beginning of the Easter Festival. After this no bells are heard until the bells announcing the Resurrection.

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to God in the Highest.

**Glory to God in the Highest, and
peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heav'nly King,
Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to God in the Highest.

**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.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to God, in the Highest

**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.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

The Collect

**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****

Please sit

The First Reading: Exodus 12. 1-4, 5-10, 11-14

A reading from the book of Exodus

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 neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

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.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11. 23-26

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Beloved:

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

Gradual Hymn: O&N 38 verses 1-3 only

Fred Pratt Green 1903-2000

**1 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.**

- 2 **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.**
- 3 **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.**

The Gospel Reading: John 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.

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.

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 Jews 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.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O, Christ.

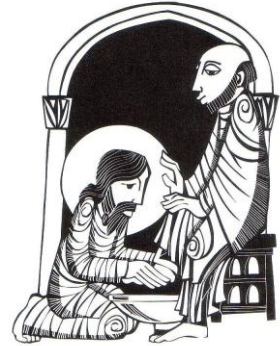
Please sit

The Homily

The choir and congregation kneel or remain seated

The Washing of Feet

If your foot is to be washed, please come and sit on the front of the altar platform. Fr Paul, after the example of Jesus, will remove his 'outer garment' and then symbolically 'wash' the foot of members of the congregation. During this the following hymn is prayerfully sung.



HYMN: NEH 513

***From the Latin liturgy of Maundy Thursday
Tr James Quinn b 1919***

***God is love, and where true love is
God Himself is there.***

- 1** Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling.
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be His greeting.
Let us revere him and love Him, God eternal:
Loving Him, let each love Christ in all his brothers.
Refrain

- 2** When we Christians gather, members of one Body,
Let there be in us no discord but one spirit.
Banished now be anger, strife, and every quarrel.
Christ, our God, be present always here among us.
Refrain

- 3** Grant us love's fulfilment, joy with all the blessed,
When we see Your face, O Saviour, in its glory.
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,
Be our bliss while endless ages sing Your praises.
Refrain

The washing of feet ends with the following prayer:

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 reigns
now and forever. **Amen**

Prayers of Intercession

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 the 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 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.**

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.**

Please stand

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Please note

On this night bread and wine are brought up to the altar before we sing the Offertory hymn. The following words are said:

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.



Offertory Hymn: NEH 297
Patrick Robert Norman Appleford (born 1925)

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us,
you are one with us, Mary's Son;
Cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring your love and goodness in;
Jesus, our love for you we sing,
living Lord.**
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, now and every day
teach us how to pray, Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance, Lord, of you;
Into our lives your power breaks through,
Living Lord.**
- 3 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us,
born as one of us, Mary's Son;
Led out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free,
living Lord Jesus, help us see
You are Lord.**
- 4 Lord Jesus Christ, I would come to you,
Live my life for you, Son of God.
All your commands I know are true,
your many gifts will make me new,
Into my life your power breaks through,
Living Lord.**

Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

The Prayer over the gifts

Gracious God, make us worthy to celebrate the Supper of the Lord, for as often as we do this to celebrate his sacrifice, the work of our redemption is made present. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer

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

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 this 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.

Christ is the bread of life:
**When we eat this bread
And drink this cup,
We proclaim your death,
Lord Jesus, until you 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 Martin our Bishop, Ruth and Will his
Suffragans and on all 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 Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph,
St. Richard, St. Wilfrid and 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.**

Please kneel or sit

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray,

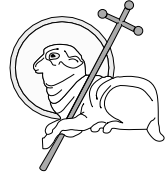
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

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

**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.**

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.**

Choir anthem: "Ave Verim Corpus" Mozart

**Communion Hymn O&N 674 vv 1-3 and 5
vs 1 & 2 Jimmy Owens (born 1930); vs 3-5 Damian
Lundy (1940-1997)**

**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.**

**3 Back to my Father soon I shall go.
Do not forget me; then you will see
I am still with you, and you will know
you're very close to me.**

**5 Love one another; I have loved you,
and I have shown you how to be free;
serve one another, and when you do,
do it in love for me.**

*The choir and congregation kneel or remain seated as the
Sacrament remains on the altar in preparation for the procession.*

Prayer after Communion

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.**

The Procession to the Altar of Repose

*There now follows some quiet reflective music as the altar party
prepare for the procession. When Fr Paul takes up the
Sacrament from the altar, the processional hymn is sung.*

*All remain kneeling (or sitting) as The Blessed Sacrament is
processed to the chapel.*

NEH 268 (Tune 202)

Pange lingua, gloriosi corporis mysterium Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274), translated by John M Neale (1818-1866) and Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

- 1 Of the glorious body telling,
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,
and the blood, all price excelling,
which the world's eternal King,
in a noble womb once dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming.**
- 2 Given for us, for us descending,
of a virgin to proceed,
man with man in converse blending,
scattered he the gospel seed,
till his sojourn drew to ending,
which he closed in wondrous deed.**
- 3 At the last great supper lying
circled by his chosen band,
duly with the law complying,
first he finished its command,
then, immortal food supplying,
gave himself with his own hand.**
- 4 Word-made-flesh, by word he maketh
bread his very flesh to be;
man in wine Christ's blood partaketh:
and if senses fail to see,
faith alone the true heart waketh
to behold the mystery.**

When the altar party have reached the chapel, please move to the north aisle in front of the chapel for the remainder of the Liturgy.

When the Sacrament has been placed on the altar of repose we sing the final two verses. Fr Paul will intone the first line.

- 5** *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 the inward vision clear.
- 6** **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.

The Watch

The congregation are invited to keep watch in the chapel of repose or to leave the church in silence.

Please consider coming back later to spend some quiet time with the Lord and then return for the continuation of this Liturgy on Good Friday at 1pm.

Please take this leaflet home with you as a reminder of this evening's Liturgy