

EASY PRINT – Maundy Thursday – April 2, 2026

Welcome – *Fr. Daniel*

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Processional Hymn:(Tune #522) – “GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE”

Go to dark Gethsemane, you who feel the tempter's pow'r;
Your Redeemer's conflict see; watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away; learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall; view the Lord of life arraigned;
O the worm-wood and the gall O the pangs His soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn of Him to bear the cross.

Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb there' adoring at His feet,
Mark the miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete:
"It is finished!" Hear the cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die.

✠ **The Gathering of the Community**

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

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: This is the day that Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him. This is the day that Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room. This is the day that Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet, giving us an example that we should do to others as he has done to us. This is the day that Christ our God gave us this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his Holy Sacrifice, be partakers of his resurrection, and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.

Priest: Almighty God,

All: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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 Collect of the Day

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Let us pray. O God, your Son Jesus Christ has left to us this meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and his blood. May we who celebrate this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

✠ The Proclamation of the Word

Please be seated

Reader: 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. 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 judgements 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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is

observed

Psalm 116.1-3,10-17 -“I LOVE THE LORD; HE HEARD MY CRY” *Please remain seated*

Choir: I love the Lord he heard my cry and pitied every groan. Long as I live and troubles rise, I'll hasten to his throne.

All: I love the Lord; he heard my cry and chased my grief away. O let my heart no more despair while I have breath to pray.

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians. *Please be seated*

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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Sequence Hymn: #445 – “GOD THE CREATOR”

The first two verses are sung before the Gospel.

God the Creator, you in love made me who once was nothing but now have grown.
I bring the best of all my life offers; for you I share whatever I own.

O Christ the Saviour, you in love called me who once was no one lost and alone.
I pledge to go wherever you summon, making your will and purpose my own.

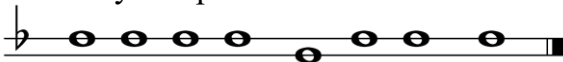
The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.

The Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.


People: 

Glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

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."

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

John 13.1-17, 31b-35

People: 
Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.

O God the Spirit, you in love move me who once was nowhere and felt unknown.
I know my need of you for companion: all things can change when not on my own.

And with the people summoned together to be the church in which faith is sown,
I make my promise to live for Jesus and let the world know all are his own.

Sermon – *The Reverend Daniel Brereton*

Please be seated

The Washing of Feet

Priest: Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service. Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to come forward, that I may recall whose servant I am by following the example of my Master. But come remembering his admonition that what will be done for you is also to be done by you to others, for “a servant is not greater than his master, nor is one who is sent greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.”

At this time, all who wish may come forward to receive the washing of feet.

Footwashing Hymn: #504 – “JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE” (V 1,3 &5)

Refrain:

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbours we have from you.*

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them. *Refrain*

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;
all these are neighbours to us and you. *Refrain*

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet;
this is the way we should live with you. *Refrain*



The Prayers of the People.

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Let us pray. Merciful God, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. As we commit ourselves to following his example of love and service, teach us humility.

All: **God of grace, hear our prayer.**

Priest: On this night, Jesus prayed for his disciples to be one. As we grieve for the divisions in the church, unite us.

All: **God of grace, hear our prayer.**

Priest: On this night, Jesus prayed for those who would come to believe through the disciples' message. As we take up the mission of the church, renew our zeal.

All: **God of grace, hear our prayer.**

Priest: On this night, Jesus commanded his friends to love, but he suffered rejection himself. As we open our hearts to the rejected and the unloved, fill us with your love.

All: **God of grace, hear our prayer.**

Priest: On this night, Jesus reminded his people that, if the world hated them, it had hated him first. As we face our own fears, we pray for those who are persecuted for their faith; give us your peace.

All: **God of grace, hear our prayer.**

Priest: On this night, Jesus loved his friends to the very end. As we open our hearts to all who face darkness tonight, we pray for the sick, those who mourn, those trapped by violence, addiction, or pain: let us pray for those whose cares weigh heavily on our hearts, either aloud or silence... (silent pause for people to pray)... give healing and hope.

All: **God of grace, hear our prayer.**

Priest: Faithful God, these are the prayers of your Church. You offer them trust and hope. Hear and help us, challenge and change us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God,

All: **you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Priest: Most merciful God,

All: **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Peace

Please rise in body or spirit

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*The ministry of the church depends on the generosity of it's members.
We give in the thanksgiving for all that God has given us.*

Offertory Hymn: (Tune #500) – “IN THIS ROOM, A TOWEL AND BASIN”

All sing

In this room, a towel and basin stand as gifts we don't deserve.
Christ, you humbly knelt to use them; showing us the way to serve.

On a table, set for dinner are your gifts of wine and bread.
Christ, you give to every sinner, food and love, till all are fed.

From you, Lord, we hear a teaching: "Now I give a new command.
Love as I have loved, out-reaching! Then the world will understand!"

Basin, supper, word and witness —then a cross — revealed your Way.
May we put our faith in practice, humbly serving you each day.

✠ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Priest: Father, we spread this table to remember the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ, your Son. Accept all we offer you this day. Bind us together in his love and in the love he has commanded us to bring one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

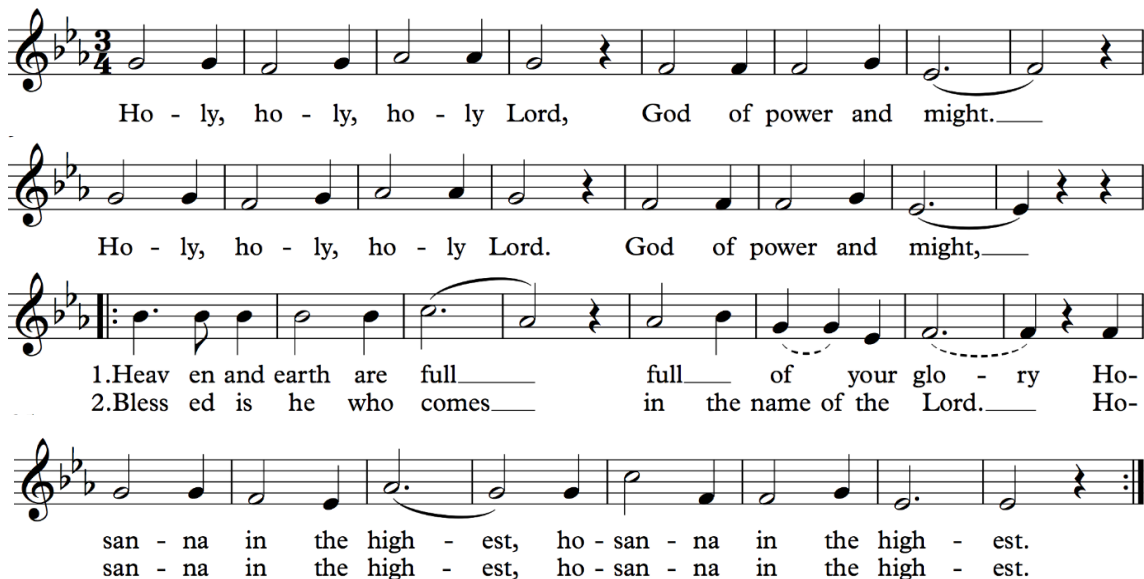
All: **Amen.**

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff is divided into two parts: the first part is labeled "Presider:" and the second part is labeled "People:". The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff has the lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff has the lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise".

Priest: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself. By his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore with all the host of heaven who gather around your throne and the Lamb, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS

All sing



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. —

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and might, —

1. Heav en and earth are full — full — of your glo - ry Ho-
 2. Bless ed is he who comes — in the name of the Lord. — Ho-

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to be in your presence and serve you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All: **we remember his death; we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Priest: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

*During the season of Lent, the Lord's Prayer,
normally sung, will simply be spoken.*

The Lord's Prayer

Said by all

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.**

Priest: We break this bread,

All: **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Priest: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

All: **If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Priest: If you are worshipping with us from home, please join us in this act of Eucharist, by offering with me this prayer for Spiritual Communion:

The following is said by the Priest and those worshipping with us online.

Online: Holy One, in times of exile, you always remained close to your people, sustaining them in faith, by your Word and Spirit. Help me to feast on your Word, and uphold me by your Spirit, until I can again partake of your Body and Blood. I pray in Jesus' name.

People: **Amen.**

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI

All sing



O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy up-on us.



O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy up-on us.



O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: grant us your peace.

The Communion

Those who have been baptized in any Christian church, including children, are welcome to receive communion. If you have not been baptized yet or do not wish to receive the bread and wine, you are welcome to come to the altar rail for a blessing. Simply cross your hands over your chest to alert the priest you wish to receive a blessing.

Communion Hymn: #63 – “EAT THIS BREAD, DRINK THIS CUP”

All sing

Refrain:

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

Leads: I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father. *Refrain*

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,

but this is the bread come down from heaven. *Refrain*

Eat my flesh and drink my blood,

and I will raise you up on the last day. *Refrain*

Any one who eats this bread, will live forever. *Refrain*

Choir: If you believe and eat this bread,
you will have eternal life. *Refrain*

Communion Hymn: #553 – “UBI CARITAS ET AMOR”

All sing

(repeat as needed between Latin and English)

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

Live in charity and steadfast love, live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment, to love one another as he loved them. Write this commandment in our hearts; give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

Hymn: – “STAY WITH ME” (Taizé)

All kneel and sing

Stay with me, remain here with me,
watch and pray, watch and pray.

*(The Sacrament is removed to the Font, where it will remain throughout the Garden Watch
as the sign of Christ's presence in Gethsemane)*

✠ Ceremonial Stripping & Washing of the Altar

(Matthew 26.30-46 is read, then the altar is stripped and washed)

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you." Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples. Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want." Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Priest: Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God, who has shown us in the life and teaching of your Son that the path of love may lead to the cross, and the reward of faithfulness may be a crown of thorns. Grant us grace to take up our cross and follow Christ in the strength of patience and the constancy of faith, and to have such fellowship with him in his sorrow that we may know the secret of his strength and peace. **Amen.**

*(The lights are dimmed, and all depart in **silence**)*
There is no Dismissal at the end of this, or any other, liturgy in Holy Week.

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Thank you to all who participated in the service.