

The Parish Church of St Faith, Great Crosby

The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday and Institution of the Lord's Supper



The Reception of the Holy Oils

The oils are blessed by the bishop at a diocesan celebration at sometime during Holy Week between Palm Sunday and the beginning of the Triduum.

The oils are received into the parish on Maundy Thursday at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Last Supper.

The oils may be carried by three ministers or members of the congregation in the entrance procession.

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 of our community 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 *N*, the holy oils blessed and set apart for the sacramental life of our parish.

The person presenting the oil of the sick says:
The oil of the sick.

President:

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 person presenting the oil of baptism says:
The oil of baptism.

President:

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 person presenting the oil of chrism says:
The oil of chrism.

President:

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 Greeting

The president greets the people
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you
and also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Prayers of Penitence

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.

Silence is kept.

Have mercy on us, O God,
In your great goodness;
according to the abundance of your compassion
blot out our offences.
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;
wash us and we shall be whiter than snow.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

All say:

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.**

Absolution

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.**

Gloria in Excelsis

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 president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words:

Let us pray that we may love one another
as Christ has loved us.

Silence is kept.

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.**
The Liturgy of the Word

All sit.

The Old Testament Reading

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

Remain seated for:
The Psalm

Remain seated for:
The Epistle

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

Gospel Reading

Acclamation:
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
Love one another as I have loved you.

**Praise to you, O Christ,
King of eternal glory.**

When the Gospel is announced:
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John. (John 13.1-17, 31b-35)

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The president may wash the feet of some members of the congregation.

The anthem 'Ubi Caritas' or, a hymn, an anthem or a psalm may be sung during the washing of feet:

Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.
(God is love, and where true love is,
God himself is there.)

Prayers of Intercession

Silence may be kept before each versicle and response.

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the saviour of the world.
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.

Silence

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.

Silence

Lord, hear us
and unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe
through his disciples' message.
We pray for the mission of your Church.

Silence

Lord, hear us
and renew our zeal.

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

Silence

Lord, hear us
and fill us with your love.

On this night, he reminded his disciples
that if the world hated them it hated him first.
We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.

Silence

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.

Silence

Lord, hear us
and welcome all your children into paradise.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

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.

Offertory Hymn

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table:

At the Eucharist we are united
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.

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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ,
our Lord; and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, 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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life
and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

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.**

Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day

when your kingdom comes

and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,

gather us in your loving arms

and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Faith... and all
the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all honour and glory are yours,

O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Trusting in the compassion of God, let us pray with
confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Agnus Dei

All say or sing:

**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 your peace.**

OR

**Jesus, Lamb of God
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**

Invitation to Communion

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.**

*At the distribution of communion, the minister says to each
communicant:*

The Body of Christ

The Blood of Christ *and each responds: **Amen.***

After Communion, silence is kept.

The Post Communion Prayer

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

The Blessed Sacrament is carried in procession to the Altar of Repose in the Lady Chapel. Please join the procession as it passes if you are able, and if possible kneel when you reach the Lady Chapel.

As the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the Altar of Repose, the following hymn is sung (Tantum ergo):

**Now, my tongue, the mystery telling
of the glorious Body sing,
and the Blood, all price excelling,
which the gentiles' Lord and King,
in a Virgin's womb once dwelling,
shed for this world's ransoming.**

**That last night, at supper lying,
'mid the twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying,
keeps the feast its rites demand;
then, more precious food supplying,
gives himself with his own hand.**

**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 our inward vision clear.**

**Glory let us give, and blessing
to the Father, and the Son,**

**honor, might and praise addressing,
while eternal ages run;
ever too his love confessing,
who from both with both is one.**

*All return in silence to their seats in the nave for:
The Stripping of the Sanctuary
The holy table and the sanctuary are stripped bare.
During the stripping, these verses from Lamentations are used.*

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people!
How like a widow she has become,
she that was great among the nations!
She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks;
among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her.
**Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your
God.**

The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals;
all her gates are desolate, her priests groan;
her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter.
Her children have gone away, captives before the foe.
Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by?
Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow.
**Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your
God.**

From on high he sent fire; it went deep into my bones;
he spread a net for my feet; he turned me back;
he has left me stunned, faint all day long.
For these things I weep; my eyes flow with tears;
for a comforter is far from me, one to revive my courage; my
children are desolate, for the enemy has prevailed.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

All who pass along the way clap their hands at you;
they hiss and wag their heads at daughter Jerusalem;
'Is this the city that was called the perfection of beauty,
the joy of all the earth?'
The thought of my affliction and homelessness is wormwood
and gall.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul,
'therefore I will hope in him.'
The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that
seeks him.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the
Lord.

It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth,
to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it,
to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to
give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.
For the Lord will not reject for ever.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord your God.

Those who wish to return to the Lady Chapel for The Watch do so.

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