

but the blood of Jesus
for our pardon cries.

Oft as it is sprinkled
On our guilty hearts,
Satan in confusion
Terror-struck departs.

Oft as earth exulting
wafts its praise on high,
hell with terror trembles
Heaven is filled with joy.

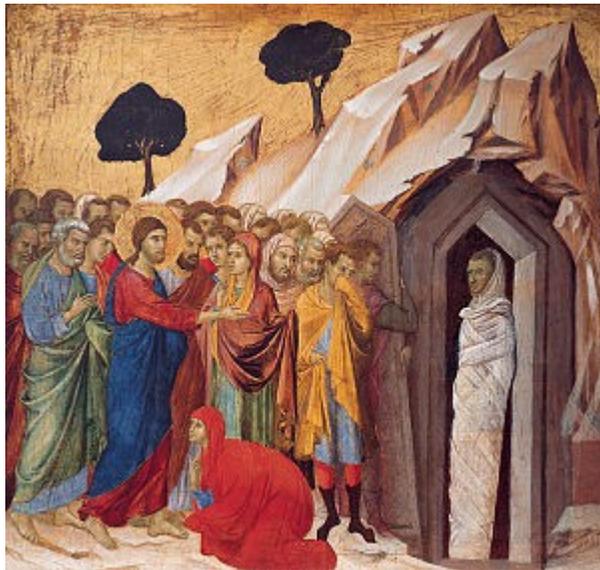
Lift we, then, our voices,
swell the mighty flood,
louder still and louder
praise the precious blood!

Christ crucified draw you to himself,
to find in him a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sins forgiven;

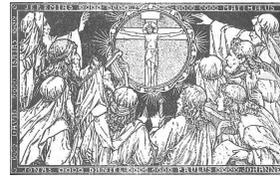
May almighty God bless us, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
now and for ever.

Amen.

The Mass is ended. Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



The Raising of Lazarus, by Duccio, 1310–11



St George's Paris

Lent 5—Passion Sunday : 29th March 2020

A warm welcome to the online Eucharist at St George's. You will find the readings for the Sunday in this newsletter. **Due to the Coronavirus outbreak the Music schedule has been suspended.** The times of service

This week:

During the Covid-19 Quarantine period you will find Morning Prayer, the Eucharist, a 5 Minute Reflection and Evening Prayer at St George's Anglican Church Paris YouTube account. If you go to the chaplaincy website front page you'll find and click onto the link you'll be taken there automatically.

Or follow this link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwRvzIVvGIFeHoR7C_NpDaQ/playlists?view_as=subscriber

Blessing

Dismissal

Sunday 29th	Lent 5—Passion Sunday 1030 The Eucharist
Monday 30th	<i>Passiontide Feria</i>
Tuesday 31st	<i>John Donne, priest, poet</i>
Wednesday 1st	<i>Frederick Denison Maurice, priest, teacher of faith</i>
Thursday 2nd	<i>Passiontide Feria</i>
Friday 3rd	<i>Passiontide Feria</i>
Saturday 4th	<i>Passiontide Feria</i>
Sunday 5th	Palm Sunday 1030 The Eucharist

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When the bell rings why not join in singing the hymn from home?

**It is a thing most wonderful,
almost too wonderful to be,
that God's own Son should come from heav'n,
and die to save a child like me.**

**And yet I know that it is true:
He chose a poor and humble lot,
and wept and toiled and mourned and died
for love of those who loved Him not.**

**I cannot tell how He could love
a child so weak and full of sin;
His love must be most wonderful
if He could die my love to win.**

**It is most wonderful to know
His love for me so free and sure;
but 'tis more wonderful to see
my love for him so faint and poor.**

**And yet I want to love Thee, Lord;
O light the flame within my heart,
and I will love Thee more and more,
until I see Thee as Thou art.**

God shows his love for us
in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us then show our love for him
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

Prayer of Penitence

Opening Prayer

Invitation to Communion

The president invites the people to 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.**

From ancient times being deprived of Holy Communion has been the experience of many, many Christians. We are blessed to be able to look forward to Communion at least weekly—and we shouldn't be surprised if we feel a bewildering, painful sense of loss. St Thomas Aquinas wrote this prayer for us to say during our Quarantine.

**My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul.**

**Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**As though you You have already come,
I embrace and unite myself entirely to You;**

**Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.**

Post Communion 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 reign, now and for ever.
Amen.

Please stand for the hymn .

**Glory be to Jesus,
who, in bitter pains
poured for me the lifeblood
from his sacred veins!**

**Grace and life eternal
in that blood I find;
blest be his compassion,
infinitely kind!**

**Blest through endless ages
be the precious stream
which from endless torments
doth the world redeem!**

**Abel's blood for vengeance
pleaded to the skies;**

the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty.
The power of the life-giving cross
reveals the judgement that has come upon the world
and the triumph of Christ crucified.
He is the victim who dies no more,
the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever,
our advocate in heaven to plead our cause,
exalting us there to join with angels and archangels,
for ever praising you and saying:

The celebrant praises God for his mighty acts in the Preface and then all say the Sanctus to our Lenten setting (after Merbecke).

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The prayer continues until

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

At the end of the prayer we all respond Amen.

**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 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.**

We say together Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.'

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

Please use the psalm appointed for the day (Ps 130) in your own prayers.

*Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord * Lord, hear my voice. O let thine ears consider well * the voice of my complaint. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss * O Lord, who may abide it? For there is mercy with thee * therefore shalt thou be feared. I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him * in his word is my trust. My soul fleeth unto the Lord * before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch. O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy * and with him is plenteous redemption. And he shall redeem Israel * from all his sins.*

Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of

righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Why not stand up to show the attentiveness of heart, mind and spirit?

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

Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him

and given him the name that is above every name.

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

Holy Gospel: John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house,

consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Sermon:

A short reflection on the Scriptures will follow.

Peace

Once we were far off,
but now in union with Christ Jesus
we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood,
for he is our peace.

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

Offertory

The Prayer at the Preparation of the Table comes after the gifts are offered on the altar. The Preface for Passiontide follows.

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 and just,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near