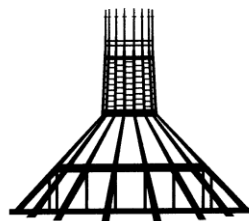


BLESSING OF PALMS, PROCESSION AND SOLEMN MASS

**CELEBRANT
ARCHBISHOP MALCOLM McMAHON OP**

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
SUNDAY 10 APRIL 2022 AT 11.00AM**



**Metropolitan Cathedral
of Christ the King Liverpool**

ORDER OF MUSIC

Introit *Hosanna to the Son of David*: John 12:12-16; music by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)
Hymn *All Glory, Laud and Honour*: words by St Theodulph of Orleans (d821), trans J M Neale (1818-66) and others; tune *St Theodulph (Valet will ich de Geben)* by M Teschner (c1613), harmonised by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Hymn *Ride on, ride on in majesty*: words by Henry Milman (1791-1868)
Psalm 21: music by Christopher McElroy (b1978)
Acclamation *Christus factus est*: Philippians 2:8-9; music by Felice Anerio (c1560-1614)
Passion according to St Luke: music by Philip Duffy (b1943)
Offertory Hymn *My song is love unknown*: words by Samuel Crossman (1624-1683); music by John Ireland (1879-1962)
Sanctus and Agnus Dei *Mass XVIII*: Gregorian Chant
Memorial Acclamation and Great Amen: Missal Tone
Communion Antiphon *Pater, si non potest*: music Gregorian Chant, Mode III; words from Matthew 26:42
Communion Motet *Salvator mundi*: music by Thomas Tallis (c1505-1585)
Hymn *O sacred head, sore wounded*: music by Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

FORTHCOMING MAJOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

For full details of all services, please see separate leaflet at the back of the Cathedral.

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL

7.30pm Chrism Mass *The Archbishop*

MAUNDY THURSDAY

10.00am Sung Office of Readings and Morning Prayer
7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper *The Archbishop*

GOOD FRIDAY

10.00am Sung Office of Readings and Morning Prayer
11.30am Stations of the Cross *Bishop Tom Williams*
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion *The Archbishop*

HOLY SATURDAY

10.00am Sung Office of Readings and Morning Prayer
9.00pm The Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter *The Archbishop*

EASTER SUNDAY

9.00am Mass
10.00am Family Mass (*Crypt*) *The Archbishop*
11.00am Solemn Mass
3.00pm Solemn Baptismal Evening Prayer
7.00pm Mass (*Crypt*)

COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

In spirit we join in the Lord's triumphal procession into Jerusalem; but we know that it is the prelude to his Passion and death as recorded in today's solemn Gospel reading.

We gather outside the Cathedral for the Blessing of Palms and Opening Rites.

INTROIT *the Choir sings*

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest places.

Hosanna in the highest heavens.

The Archbishop begins

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

R. Amen.

Peace be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

INTRODUCTION *the Archbishop says*

Dear brothers and sisters,

since the beginning of Lent until now

we have prepared our hearts by penance and charitable works.

Today we gather together to herald with the whole Church

the beginning of the celebration

of our Lord's Paschal Mystery,

that is to say, of his Passion and Resurrection.

For it was to accomplish this mystery

that he entered his own city of Jerusalem.

Therefore, with all faith and devotion,

let us commemorate

the Lord's entry into the city for our salvation,

following in his footsteps,

so that, being made by his grace partakers of the Cross,

we may have a share also in his Resurrection and in his life.

BLESSING OF PALMS *the Archbishop blesses the palm branches*

Let us pray.

Almighty ever-living God

sanctify these branches with your blessing,

that we, who follow Christ the King in exultation,

may reach the eternal Jerusalem through him.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

The palms are sprinkled with holy water and incensed. Each of the ministers takes a palm and the Deacon asks the Archbishop for a blessing.

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 19:28-40

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. Now when he was near Bethphage and Bethany, close by the Mount of Olives as it is called, he sent two of the disciples, telling them, 'Go off to the village opposite, and as you enter it you will find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" you are to say this, "The Master needs it."' The messengers went off and found everything just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owner said, 'Why are you untying that colt?' and they answered, 'The Master needs it.'

So they took the colt to Jesus, and throwing their garments over its back they helped Jesus on to it. As he moved off, people spread their cloaks in the road, and now, as he was approaching the downward slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole group of disciples joyfully began to praise God at the top of their voices for all the miracles they had seen. They cried out:

'Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest heavens!'

Some Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Master, check your disciples,' but he answered, 'I tell you, if these keep silence the stones will cry out.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROCESSION *the Archbishop says*

Dear brothers and sisters,
like the crowds who acclaimed Jesus in Jerusalem,
let us go forth in peace.

Please allow the Choir and Servers to lead the procession into the Cathedral. The congregation should follow behind the Archbishop and Clergy.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *all join in singing*



**All glory, laud and honour
To thee, Redeemer King!
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.**

- 1** Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's Royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name cometh
The King and blessed one!
- 2** The company of angels
Are praising thee on high
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply.
- 3** The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went:
Our prayer and praise and anthems
Before thee we present.
- 4** To thee before thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee now high exalted
Our melody we raise.
- 5** Thou didst accept their praises:
Accept the prayers we bring.
Who in all good delightest
Thou good and gracious king.

HYMN *all join in singing*



- 1** Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry,
Thy humble beast pursues his road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2** Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3** Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The wingéd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4** Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on his sapphire throne
Awaits his own anointed Son.
- 5** Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

COLLECT *the Archbishop says*

Let us pray,
Almighty ever-living God,
who as an example of humility for the human race to follow
caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross,
graciously grant that we may heed his lesson
of patient suffering
and so merit a share in his Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear.

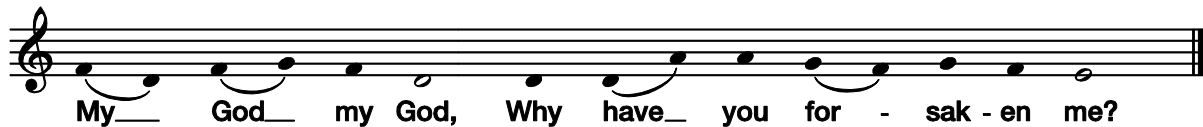
For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 21 *all join in singing the Response after the Cantor, then after each verse of the psalm*



All who see me deride me;
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet,
I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me. **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *all remain seated as the ministers process to the position where they will listen to the Gospel. The Choir sings*

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens
usque ad mortem, mortem autem
crucis. Propter quod et Deus exaltavit
illum, et dedit illi nomen, quod est super
omne nomen.

*Christ was humbler yet even to
accepting death, death on a cross.
But God raised him high and gave him
the name which is above all names.*

The congregation may stand or remain seated during the singing of the Passion.

GOSPEL (Luke 22:14-23:56)

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

When the hour came Jesus took his place at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, 'I have longed to eat this passover with you before I suffer; because, I tell you, I shall not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.'

Then, taking a cup, he gave thanks and said, 'Take this and share it among you, because from now on, I tell you, I shall not drink wine until the kingdom of God comes.'

Then he took some bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body which will be given for you; do this as a memorial of me.' He did the same with the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood which will be poured out for you.'

'And yet, here with me on the table is the hand of the man who betrays me. The Son of Man does indeed go to his fate even as it has been decreed, but alas for that man by whom he is betrayed!' And they began to ask one another which of them it could be who was to do this thing.

A dispute arose also between them about which should be reckoned the greatest, but he said to them, 'Among pagans it is the kings who lord it over them, and those who have authority over them are given the title Benefactor. This must not happen with you. No; the greatest among you must behave as if he were the youngest, the leader as if he were the one who serves. For who is the greater: the one at table or the one who serves? The one at table, surely? Yet here am I among you as one who serves!'

'You are the men who have stood by me faithfully in my trials; and now I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father conferred one on me: you will eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones to judge the twelve tribes of Israel.'

'Simon, Simon! Satan, you must know, has got his wish to sift you all like wheat; but I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail, and once you have recovered, you in your turn must strengthen your brothers.' He answered, **'Lord, I would be ready to go to prison with you, and to death.'** Jesus replied, **'I tell you, Peter, by the time the cock crows today you will have denied three times that you know me.'**

He said to them, **'When I sent you out without purse or haversack or sandals, were you short of anything?'** They answered, **'No.'** He said to them, **'But now if you have a purse, take it: if you have a haversack, do the same; if you have no sword, sell your cloak and buy one, because I tell you these words of scripture have to be fulfilled in me: He let himself be taken for a criminal. Yes, what scripture says about me is even now reaching its fulfilment.'** They said, **'Lord, there are two swords here now.'** He said to them, **'That is enough!'**

He then left the upper room to make his way as usual to the Mount of Olives, with the disciples following. When they reached the place he said to them, **'Pray not to be put to the test.'**

Then he withdrew from them, about a stone's throw away, and knelt down and prayed, saying, **'Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, let your will be done, not mine.'** Then an angel appeared to him coming from heaven to give him strength. In his anguish he prayed even more earnestly, and his sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood.

When he rose from prayer he went to the disciples and found them sleeping for sheer grief. He said to them, **'Why are you asleep? Get up and pray not to be put to the test.'**

He was still speaking when a number of men appeared, and at the head of them the man called Judas, one of the Twelve, who went up to Jesus to kiss him. Jesus said, **'Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?'** His followers, seeing what was happening, said, **'Lord, shall we use our swords?'** And one of them struck out at the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. But at this Jesus spoke, **'Leave off! That will do!'** And touching the man's ear he healed him.

Then Jesus spoke to the chief priests and captains of the Temple guard and elders who had come for him. He said, **'Am I a brigand that you had to set out with swords and clubs? When I was among you in the Temple day after day you never moved to lay hands on me. But this is your hour; this is the reign of darkness.'**

They seized him then and led him away, and they took him to the high priest's house. Peter followed at a distance. They had lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and Peter sat down among them, and as he was sitting there by the blaze a servant-girl saw him, peered at him, and said, **'This person was with him too.'** But he denied it, saying, **'Woman, I do not know him.'** Shortly afterwards, someone else saw him and said, **'You are another of them.'** But Peter replied, **'I am not, my friend.'** About an hour later another man insisted saying, **'This fellow was certainly with him. Why, he is a Galilean.'** Peter

said, 'My friend, I do not know what you are talking about.' At that instant, while he was still speaking, the cock crew, and the Lord turned and looked straight at Peter, and Peter remembered what the Lord had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will have disowned me three times.' And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Meanwhile the men who guarded Jesus were mocking and beating him. They blindfolded him and questioned him, saying, 'Play the prophet! Who hit you then?' And they continued heaping insults on him.

When day broke there was a meeting of the elders of the people, attended by the chief priests and scribes. He was brought before their council, and they said to him, 'If you are the Christ, tell us, tell us, tell us!' He replied, 'If I tell you, you will not believe me, and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the Power of God.' Then they all said, 'So you are the Son of God, then?' He answered, 'It is you who say I am.' They said, 'What need of witnesses have we now?' We have heard it for ourselves, from his own lips.' The whole assembly then rose, and they brought him before Pilate.

They began their accusation by saying, 'We found this man inciting our people to revolt. Opposing payment of tribute to Caesar and claiming to be Christ, a King!' Pilate put to him this question, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' He replied, 'It is you who say it'. Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd, 'I find no case against this man.' But they persisted, 'He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea. It has come all the way from Galilee, where he started, down to here.' When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed him over to Herod who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him; moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Then Herod, together with his guards, treated him with contempt and made fun of him; he put a rich cloak on him and sent him back to Pilate. And though Herod and Pilate had been enemies before, they were reconciled that same day.

Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. He said, 'You brought this man before me as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, so I shall have him flogged and then let him go.' But as one man they howled, 'Away with him! Give us Barabbas!' (This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder).

Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back. 'Crucify him! Crucify him!' And for the third time he spoke to them, 'Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and then let him go.' But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified. And their shouts were growing louder.

Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they pleased.

As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too, who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children. For the days will surely come when people will say, "Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!" Then they will begin to say to the mountains, "Fall on us!"; to the hills, "Cover us!" For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?' Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed.

When they reached the place called The Skull, they crucified him there and the two criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.' Then they cast lots to share out his clothing.

The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him, saying, 'He saved others: let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him, saying, 'Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all? You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.'

It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said, 'Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.' With these words he breathed his last.

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said, 'This was a great and good man.' And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts.

All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

Then a member of the council arrived, an upright and virtuous man named Joseph. He had not consented to what the others had planned and carried out. He came from Arimathaea, a Jewish town, and he lived in the hope of seeing the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. He then took it down, wrapped it in a shroud and put him in a tomb which was hewn in stone in which no one had yet been laid. It was Preparation Day and the sabbath was imminent.

Meanwhile the women who had come from Galilee with Jesus were following behind. They took note of the tomb and of the position of the body.

Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. And on the sabbath day they rested, as the Law required.

HOMILY *The Archbishop*

PROFESSION OF FAITH *all join in saying*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS *as a collection is taken and the gifts of bread, wine and water are carried forward, all join in singing*



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| <p>1 My song is love unknown, My Saviour's love to me, Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be. O, who am I, That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh, and die?</p> | <p>5 They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful he To suffering goes, That he his foes From thence might free.</p> |
| <p>2 He came from his blest throne, Salvation to bestow: But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know. But O, my friend, My friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend!</p> | <p>6 In life, no house, no home, My Lord on earth might have; In death, no friendly tomb, But what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heav'n was his home; But mine the tomb Wherein he lay.</p> |
| <p>3 Sometimes they strew his way, And his sweet praises sing; Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King. Then 'Crucify!' Is all their breath, And of his death They thirst and cry.</p> | <p>7 Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine; Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like thine! This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.</p> |
| <p>4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight. Sweet injuries! Yet they at these Themselves displease, And 'gainst him rise.</p> | |

The Archbishop incenses the gifts; the thurifer incenses the Celebrants and then the people, who stand.

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

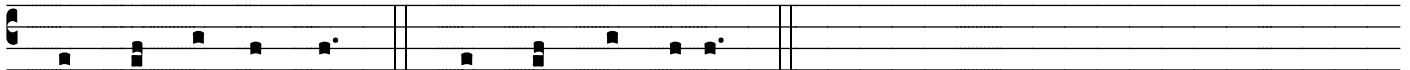
**R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

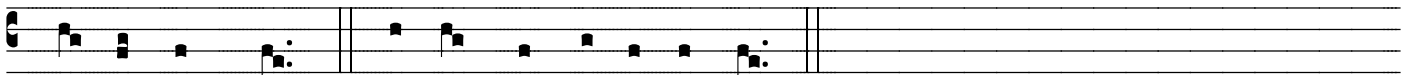
Through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son, O Lord,
may our reconciliation with you be near at hand,
so that, though we do not merit it by our own deeds,
yet by this sacrifice made once for all,
we may feel already the effects of your mercy.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

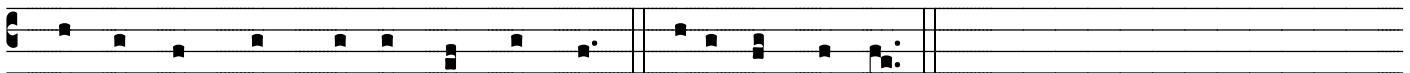
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER



The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

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

For, though innocent, he suffered willingly for sinners
and accepted unjust condemnation to save the guilty.
His Death has washed away our sins,
and his Resurrection has purchased our justification.

And so, with all the Angels,
we praise you, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

All join in singing

S anctus, * Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Ple-ni sunt caeli et terra
glo-ri-a tu-a. Hosanna in excelsis. Be-nedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna
in excelsis.

The Archbishop says

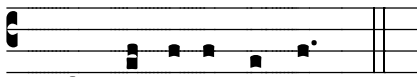
You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall,
so that they may become for us
the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

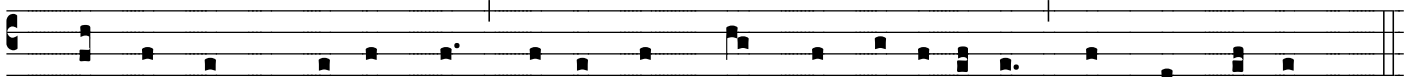
At the time he was betrayed
and entered willingly into his Passion,
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take this, all of you, and eat of it,
for this is my body,
which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took the chalice
and, once more giving thanks,
he gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take this, all of you, and drink from it,
for this is the chalice of my blood,
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which will be poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in memory of me.

The Archbishop sings



The mystery of faith.



Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

The Archbishop says

Therefore, as we celebrate
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,
we offer you, Lord,
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,
giving thanks that you have held us worthy
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

A concelebrant says

Remember, Lord, your Church,
spread throughout the world,
and bring her to the fullness of charity,
together with Francis our Pope and Malcolm, our Bishop
and all the clergy.

Another concelebrant continues

Remember also our brothers and sisters
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection,
and all who have died in your mercy:
welcome them into the light of your face.
Have mercy on us all, we pray,
that with the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,
with the blessed Apostles,
and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages,
we may merit to be co-heirs to eternal life,
and may praise and glorify you
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All join in singing

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A -gnus De-i, * qui tol-lis peccata mundi : mise-re-re no-bis.



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Agnus De-i, * qui tol-lis peccata mundi : dona nobis pacem.

All kneel and the Archbishop says
Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
R. Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Those who are not Roman Catholic, or do not wish to receive communion, are welcome to come forward in spiritual communion. Crossing your arms across your chest will indicate to the priest or eucharistic minister that you would welcome his or her words of spiritual communion.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON *the Choir sings*

Pater, si non potest hic calix transire,
nisi bibam illum: fiat voluntas tua.

*Father, if this chalice cannot pass without
my drinking it, your will be done.*

V. Deus, Deus meus, quare me
dereliquisti?
Longe a salute mea verba rugitus mei.

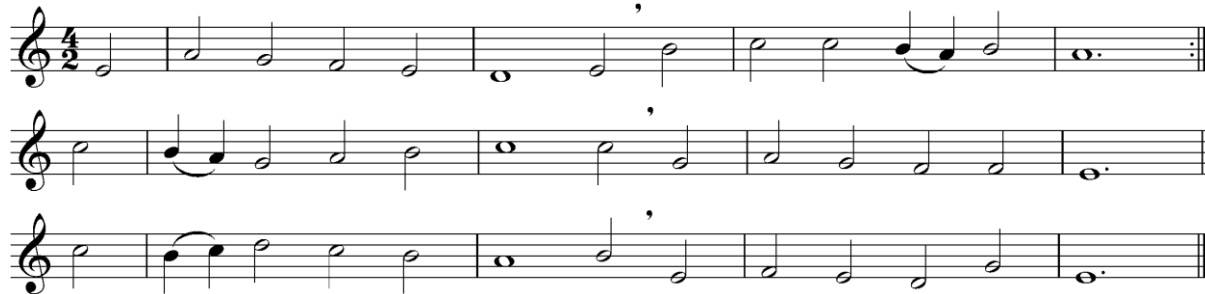
*V. My God, my God, why have you
forsaken me? My words of sin have
drawn me far from salvation.*

COMMUNION MOTET *the Choir sings*

Salvator mundi, salva nos, qui per
crucem et sanguine redemisti nos:
auxiliare nobis, te deprecamur,
Deus noster.

*O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross
and precious blood hast redeemed us,
save us and help us we beseech thee.*

COMMUNION HYMN *all stand and join in singing*



1 O sacred head, sore wounded,
Defiled and put to scorn;
O kingly head surrounded
With mocking crown of thorn:
What sorrow mars thy grandeur?
Can death thy bloom deflower?
O countenance whose splendour
The hosts of heaven adore!

3 In thy most bitter passion
My heart to share doth cry,
With thee for my salvation
Upon the cross to die.
Ah, keep my heart thus moved
To stand thy cross beneath,
To mourn thee, well-beloved,
Yet thank thee for thy death.

2 Thy beauty, long-desirèd,
Hath vanished from our sight;
Thy power is all expirèd,
And quenched the light of light.
Ah me! for whom thou diest,
Hide not so far thy grace:
Show me, O Love most highest,
The brightness of thy face.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished with these sacred gifts,
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,
that, just as through the death of your Son
you have brought us to hope for what we believe,
so by his Resurrection
you may lead us to where you call.
Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ
did not hesitate to be delivered
into the hands of the wicked
and submit to the agony of the Cross.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

BLESSING *the Archbishop says*

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ
did not hesitate to be delivered into the hands of the wicked
and submit to the agony of the Cross.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.

R. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

R. Thanks be to God.

The Ministers and Choir recess in silence.

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