ST MARY DE CASTRO: SUNG MASS ON SUNDAY 6 APRIL THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (PASSION SUNDAY)

WELCOME

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all visitors to St Mary's. If you are a baptized member of the Church of England, or of any other Church that subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, you are very welcome to receive communion this morning. If you do not wish to take communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

THE PREPARATION

The organ will start to play from five minutes before the start of the service. During this time the following prayers may help members of the congregation with their preparation.

Collect for Purity: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of my heart by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that I may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Faith is not a matter of human minds climbing up toward the divine, but of welcoming the gracious manifestation that God has given of himself.

from The Assurance of Things Hoped For by Fr Avery Dulles SJ

INTROIT HYMN

At the entry of the Altar Party all STAND and sing the Introit Hymn. If you are able, please remain standing until the first reading.

NEH 84

- IT is a thing most wonderful, Almost too wonderful to be, That God's own Son should come from heaven, 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.
- 3. But even could I see him die,I could but see a little partOf that great love, which, like a fire,Is always burning in his heart.

- 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.

THE GREETING

All Amen.

Priest The Lord be with you **All** and with thy spirit.

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

Priest My brothers and sisters,
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ
in word and sacrament, let us call to mind
and confess our sins.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against thee and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life to the glory of thy name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Priest Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,

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

All Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (SUNG)

All Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. (Lord, have mercy.)
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. (Christ, have mercy.)
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. (Lord, have mercy.)

THE COLLECT

Priest Let us pray.

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ hast 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 thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

SIT

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 43. 16-21)

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM (SUNG)

Psalm 126

When the Lord turned again the cap- | tivity of | Sion : then were we | like unto | them that | dream.

Then was our mouth | filled with | laughter : and our | tongue | with | joy.

Then said they a- | mong the | heathen: 'The Lord hath | done great | things for | them.'

Yea, the Lord hath done great things for | us al- | ready : where- | of | we re- | joice.

Turn our cap- | tivi-ty, O | Lord : as the | rivers | in the | south.

They that | sow in | tears : shall | reap | in | joy.

† He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth | forth good | seed : shall doubtless come again with joy, and | bring his | sheaves | with him.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians (Philippians 3. 4b-14)

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

STAND

NEH 92

- THERE is a green hill far away,
 Without a city wall,
 Where the dear Lord was crucified
 Who died to save us all.
- We may not know, we cannot tell,
 What pains he had to bear,
 But we believe it was for us
 He hung and suffered there.
- He died that we might be forgiven,
 He died to make us good;
 That we might go at last to heaven,
 Saved by his precious blood.

- There was no other good enoughTo pay the price of sin;He only could unlock the gateOf heaven, and let us in.
- O, dearly, dearly has he loved,
 And we must love him too,
 And trust in his redeeming blood,
 And try his works to do.

THE GOSPEL

Priest The Lord be with you All and with thy spirit.

Priest Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (John 12. 1-8)

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not aways have me.'

Priest This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SIT

A homily may be preached.

THE NICENE CREED (SUNG)

STAND

Priest I believe in one God,

All the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

and of all things

visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven, (Genuflect or bow)
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man, (Stand)

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was burièd, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

KNEEL OR SIT

Priest Let us pray.

After each intention the following responses may be used:

Lord, in thy mercy

All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

Priest Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of thy Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

STAND

This, or another suitable preface to the peace is said:

Priest Since we are justified by faith,

we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

who has given us access to his grace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and with thy spirit.

Priest Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

THE OFFERTORY

During the Offertory Hymn, the gifts of the people are gathered and presented in the Collection.

NEH 86

 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? 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!

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- 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 for his death
 They thirst and cry.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.

As each element is received the following may be said:

Priest Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation:
through thy goodness we have this bread to set before thee,
which earth hath given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Priest Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation:
through thy goodness we have this wine to set before thee,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever.

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

All May the Lord accept this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, for our good and the good of all his Church.

The priest says the Prayer over the Gifts, to which all reply: **Amen.**

REMAIN STANDING

The Sursum Corda

Priest The Lord be with you and with thy spirit.
Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

The Preface

Priest It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee,
O Lord, holy Father,
almighty, everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord.

A Proper Preface may be used when appropriate. The priest then concludes with:

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee and singing:

All (Sung) Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

KNEEL OR SIT

The priest recites the Eucharistic prayer. A bell signals the elevation of the consecrated bread and wine, at which all may make the sign of the cross.

After the elevation of the consecrated wine, the following acclamation is said:

Priest Christ is the bread of life.

All When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim thy death, Lord Jesus, until thou comest in glory.

The priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding with:

by whom and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father almighty, world without end.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG)

Priest As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

All 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

Priest We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI (SUNG)

All O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,

that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,

that takest away the sins of the world,

grant us thy peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

The priest invites the people to communion:

Priest Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof,

but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

Communion is administered in both kinds (bread and wine). If you do not wish to receive wine from the common cup, please leave the altar rail immediately after you have consumed the bread. Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer into the consecrated wine) is not permitted.

Words of distribution are used to which the communicant replies: **Amen.**

During the giving of communion the choir will sing the following hymn. Members of the congregation are invited to join in if they wish.

HO&N 520

- MY Lord, what love is this, That pays so dearly, That I, the guilty one, May go free!
 - Amazing love, O what sacrifice, The Son of God, given for me. My debt he pays, and my death he dies, That I might live, That I might live.
- And so they watched him die, Despised, rejected; But O, the blood he shed Flowed for me!
- And now this love of Christ Shall flow like rivers; Come, wash your guilt away, Live again!

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

KNEEL OR SIT

Priest Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, who hast taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for thee: give us the will to be the servant of others as thou wast the servant of all, who gavest up thy life and didst die for us, yet livest and reignest, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Priest Almighty God,

All we thank thee for feeding us with the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer thee our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of thy Spirit to live and work to thy praise and glory. Amen.

POST COMMUNION HYMN

STAND

NEH 83

- GLORY be to Jesus,
 Who, in bitter pains,
 Poured for me the life-blood
 From his sacred veins.
- 2. 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 torment
 Doth the world redeem.
- 4. Abel's blood for vengeance Pleaded to the skies; 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 ye then your voices;
 Swell the mighty flood;
 Louder still and louder
 Praise the precious Blood.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest The Lord be with you All and with thy spirit.

All Amen.

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

THE ANGELUS (SUNG)

Priest The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary

All and she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Priest Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee:

blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

All Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us sinners,

now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Priest Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

All Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary...

Priest (Genuflect or bow) And the Word was made flesh:

All and dwelt among us. (Stand)

Hail Mary...

Priest Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,

All that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Priest Pour forth thy grace into our hearts, we beseech thee, O Lord, that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his ♣ Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.