

ST MARY DE CASTRO: SUNG MASS ON SUNDAY 1 JUNE
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome the Leicester University Chamber Choir to our service this morning.

The choir will lead us in the sung mass.

The setting is Communion Service in E by Harold Darke (1888-1976).

Music Director: Sierra Farquhar-Wulff

Organist: Nicholas Friedersdorff

We would also 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 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.

The Resurrection of Jesus is not just wonderful news or the happy ending of a story, but something that changes our lives completely and forever. **Pope Francis, Easter Monday 2024**

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

INTROIT (CHOIR)

Il bianco e dolce cigno by Jacques Arcadelt (1507-1568)

Il bianco e dolce cigno
cantando more, ed io
piangendo giung' al fin del viver mio.
Stran' e diversa sorte,
ch'ei more sconsolato
ed io moro beato.
Morte che nel morire
m'empie di gioia tutto e di desire.
Se nel morir, altro dolor non sento,
di mille mort' il di sarei contento.

*The white and sweet swan
dies singing, and I,
weeping, reach the end of my life.
Strange and different fate,
that he dies disconsolate
and I die a blessed death,
which in dying fills me
full of joy and desire.
If in dying, were I to feel no other pain,
I would be content to die a thousand deaths a day.*

NEH 134

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| <p>1. THE head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now:
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty victor's brow.</p> | <p>4. To them the cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace is given:
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.</p> |
| <p>2. The highest place that heaven affords
Is his, is his by right,
The King of kings and Lord of lords,
And heaven's eternal light;</p> | <p>5. They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with him above,
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of his love.</p> |
| <p>3. The joy of all who dwell above,
The joy of all below,
To whom he manifests his love,
And grants his name to know.</p> | <p>6. The cross he bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to him;
His people's hope, his people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.</p> |

THE GREETING

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

All Amen.

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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 (CHOIR)

Choir Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

(Lord, have mercy.)

(Christ, have mercy.)

(Lord, have mercy.)

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (CHOIR)

Priest Glory be to God on high,

Choir and in earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ:
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high
✠ in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

THE COLLECT

Priest Let us pray.

O God the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: we beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Spirit to comfort us and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; 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 Acts of the Apostles (Acts 16. 16-34)

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God. This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM (CHOIR)

Psalm 97

The Lord is King, the earth may be | glad there- | of : yea the multitude of the | isles may be | glad there- | of.

Clouds and darkness are | round a- | bout him : righteousness and judgement are the habit- | ation | of his | seat.

There shall go a | fire be- | fore him : and burn up his | ene-mies on | every | side.

His lightnings gave shine | unto the | world : the earth | saw it and | was a- | fraid.

The hills melted like wax at the | presence of the | Lord : at the presence of the | Lord of the | whole | earth.

The heavens have de- | clared his | righteous-ness : and all the | people have | seen his | glory.

Confounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in | vain | gods : worship | him | all ye | gods.

Sion heard of it and rejoiced, and the daughters of | Judah were | glad : because of thy | judgements | O | Lord.

For thou Lord art higher than all that are | in the | earth : thou art exalted | far a- | bove all | gods.

O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the | thing which is | evil : the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints; he shall deliver them from the | hand of | the un- | godly.

There is sprung up a | light for the | righteous : and joyful gladness for | such as | are true- | hearted.

Rejoice in the | Lord ye | righteous : and give thanks for a re- | membrance | of his | holiness.

SECOND READING

A reading from the book of Revelation (Revelation 22. 12-14, 16, 17, 20-end)

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

STAND

NEH 332

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| 1. | ALL hail the power of Jesu's name;
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
To crown him Lord of all. | 4. | Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all. |
| 2. | Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him Lord of all. | 5. | Let every tribe and every tongue
To him their hearts enthrall,
Lift high the universal song,
And crown him Lord of all. |
| 3. | Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call;
The God incarnate, Man divine,
And crown him Lord of all. | | |

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 17. 20-26)

All ✠ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Priest This is the Gospel of the Lord. Alleluia.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ. Alleluia.

*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 buried,
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 The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said, 'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

[John 20: 19,20]

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 130

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| 1. | HAIL the day that sees him rise Alleluya!
Glorious to his native skies; Alleluya!
Christ, awhile to mortals given, Alleluya!
Enters now the highest heaven! Alleluya! | 5. | Still for us he intercedes; Alleluya!
His prevailing death he pleads; Alleluya!
Near himself prepares our place, Alleluya!
Harbinger of human race. Alleluya! |
| 2. | There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluya!
Lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluya!
Christ hath vanquished death and sin; Alleluya!
Take the King of glory in. Alleluya! | 6. | Lord, though parted from our sight, Alleluya!
Far above yon azure height, Alleluya!
Grant our hearts may thither rise, Alleluya!
Seeking thee beyond the skies. Alleluya! |
| 3. | See! the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluya!
Yet he loves the earth he leaves: Alleluya!
Though returning to his throne, Alleluya!
Still he calls mankind his own. Alleluya! | 7. | There we shall with thee remain, Alleluya!
Partners of thine endless reign; Alleluya!
There thy face unclouded see, Alleluya!
Find our heaven of heavens in thee. Alleluya! |
| 4. | See! he lifts his hands above; Alleluya!
See! he shows the prints of love: Alleluya!
Hark! his gracious lips bestow Alleluya!
Blessings on his Church below. Alleluya! | | |

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.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

REMAIN STANDING

The Sursum Corda

Priest The Lord be with you

All 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:

Choir 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 Jesus Christ is Lord.

All Lord, by thy cross and resurrection thou hast set us free. Thou art the Saviour of the world.

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 (CHOIR)

Choir 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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 shouldst 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 Road Home by Stephen Paulus (1949-2014)

Tell me, where is the road
I can call my own
That I left, that I lost
So long ago
All these years I have
wandered
Oh, when will I know
There's a way, there's a road
That will lead me home

After wind, after rain
When the dark is done
As I wake from a dream
In the gold of day
Through the air there's a
calling
From far away
There's a voice I can hear
That will lead me home

Rise up, follow me
Come away, is the call
With the love in your heart
As the only song
There is no such beauty
As where you belong
Rise up, follow me
I will lead you home

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

KNEEL OR SIT

Priest Let us pray.

Eternal God, giver of love and power, whose Son Jesus Christ hath sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: so confirm us in this mission that our lives may show forth the good news which we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

HO&N 75

1. BLESSÈD assurance, Jesus is mine:
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God;
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Saviour all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Saviour all the day long.*

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Saviour am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

THE DISMISSAL

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

Priest The blessing of God almighty,
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
All Amen.

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All In the name of Christ. Amen.

REGINA COELI (SUNG)

All Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia!
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia!
As he promised hath arisen, alleluia!
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia!

Priest Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
All For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Priest Let us pray
O God, who by the resurrection of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
hast vouchsafed to give joy to the whole world:
grant, we beseech thee,
that assisted by the prayers of his Mother, the Virgin Mary,
we may obtain the joys of everlasting life:
through the same Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Prelude in B-flat major BWV 560 by J S Bach (1685-1750)