



*17th April 2025*

*The Evening Mass of  
the Last Supper*

*Holy (Maundy) Thursday*

# WELCOME to St Thomas the Apostle Church, Hanwell for our Parish Mass.



*We hope you enjoy your time with us. The hymns are in the green New English Hymnal Books.*

*The Mass Setting for this Service is by John Merbecke.)*

*Please do take this service booklet away with you for your own prayers & reflections this week.*

Please **Stand** (if you are able) as the Choir and Altar party enter.

**First Hymn: 272 All for Jesus!**

## The Gathering & Greeting

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

**All: Amen**

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

**All: And also with you.**

## Invitation to Confession

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.

## Prayers of Penitence

Have mercy on us, O God, in your great goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion blot out our offences.

Lord, have mercy. **All: Lord have mercy.**

Against you only have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy. **All: 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. **All: Lord have mercy.**

May the Father ✠ forgive you by the death of his Son and strengthen you to live in the power of the Spirit all your days.

**All: Amen**

During the singing of the Gloria, the Clarion Bells are rung.

**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.**

*The Clarion bells are stopped. No bells are rung again until the Gloria on Easter Morning*

**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

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

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.

**All: Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

**The Old Testament Reading: Exodus 12. 1-4, 11-14.** *(Reading is read by Fade Solanke-Mitterer)*

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand;

and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

*All stay Seated and Say antiphonally verses from Psalm 116. 1, 10-end. (Dilexi, quoniam) (Left side of Nave Odd verses, Right side Even. All say the Gloria Patri)*

1. I am well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer; I believed, and therefore will I speak, but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.
10. What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?
11. I will receive the cup of salvation : and call up on the Name of the Lord.
12. I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.
13. Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant : I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.
14. I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call up on the Name of the Lord.
15. I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen**

**The New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 11. 23-26.** *(Reading is read by Doug Neale)*

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

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

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

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

The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **St. John 13. 1-15.**

**All: ✠✠✠ Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**The Sermon or Homily** *is given*

**The Washing of Feet**

*The priest washes the feet of some members of the congregation.*

*During The Washing of feet* **Hymn 273** **And now, of Father, mindful of the Love.** *is sung*

*The Washing of Feet ends with this 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.

**All: Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

**Please Kneel or Sit for the Prayers of Intercession.** *(Led by Steve Purcell)*

### **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. **All: And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. *All may exchange a sign of peace.*

**Offertory Hymn: 294 Just as I am, without one plea.**

### **Preparation of the Table**

At the Eucharist we are 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.

**All: 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.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of the universe, you create the fruit of the vine.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up unto to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: It is meet and right so to do.**

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:

**All: 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.**

*Congregation Kneel or Sit.*

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. ✠

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. ✠

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary, Virgin Mother of God, S. Thomas the Apostle and our Patron, and all the Saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **All: Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Servant King has taught us:

**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.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The priest breaks the consecrated bread, and says:*

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup.

**All: We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

### The Agnus Dei

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us Thy 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.

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*The Priest, Altar Party, Choir and the People all receive communion.*

*If you are baptised and receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to receive communion here.*

*You are welcome to receive a blessing instead of communion.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.*

## Prayers after Communion

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.

**All: Amen.**

## The Conclusion

### The Stripping of the Sanctuary

*The Priest exchanges the Chasuble for the Cope and the procession begins.*

*The procession of the Blessed Sacrament includes the Priest, Altar party and those who are observing 'The Watch', moves to the Altar of Repose in the Lady Chapel.*

**Hymn 268 Of the glorious body telling. (vv. 1-4) (Pange Lingua)**

*is sung for the procession to the Altar of Repose (Kneel for last 2 verses).*

*When the hymn is finished the people and choir **Sit to Sing Hymn 515 - Psalm 22** while the Altar party strip the Altar and the Sanctuary.*

*Those observing The 'first' Watch remain in the Lady Chapel.*

When the disciples had sung a hymn they went out to the Mount of Olives. Jesus prayed to the Father, 'If it is possible, take this cup of suffering from me.' He said to his disciples, 'How is it that you were not able to keep watch with me for one hour? The hour has come for the Son of Man to be handed over to the power of sinners.'

Christ was obedient unto death. Go in his peace.

***All please leave in silence, or move quietly to the  
Altar of Repose for: 'The Watch'***

*The 'first' Watch finishes at midnight with Compline.*

*'The Watch' resumes at 7am on Good Friday until 2pm when the Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday begins.*

# **HOLY WEEK & EASTER AT ST. THOMAS**

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**SUNDAY 6TH APRIL : 6:30PM - PASSIONTIDE DEVOTIONAL  
MUSIC, HYMNS AND READINGS TO PREPARE FOR EASTER**

**PALM SUNDAY 13TH APRIL : 10AM - PARISH FAMILY MASS  
WITH PROCESSION OF PALMS FROM ELTHORNE PARK BANDSTAND**

**3PM - 5.30PM: EASTER EGG PAINTING & CREATING THE EASTER GARDEN  
IN THE CHURCH HALL**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 17TH APRIL : 7:30PM - MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER  
WITH FOOT WASHING & NIGHT WATCH**

**GOOD FRIDAY 18TH APRIL : 2PM - SOLEMN MASS  
WITH PROCLAMATION OF THE CROSS**

**EASTER SUNDAY 20TH APRIL : 10AM - PARISH FAMILY MASS  
WITH EASTER EGG HUNT IN THE CHURCH GARDENS**

## Services This Week

### Solemn Mass on Good Friday at 2pm

Readings: Isaiah 52. 13 – end of Chapter 53, Responsorial - Psalm 31, Hebrews 4. 14-16, 5. 7-9  
The Passion Narrative of S. John 18. 1 – End of Chapter 19.  
Readers: David Gilbert & Caroline Lumb | Intercessor: Stephen Brooks.  
Chalice Administration: Stephen Brooks.

### Sunday 13th April 2025: Parish Family Mass on Easter Sunday

Readings: Acts 10. 34-43, The Easter Anthems, 1 Corinthians 15. 19-26, S. John 20. 1-18.  
Readers & Intercessors: Members of the Junior Church.  
Chalice Administration: Stephen Brooks & Eileen Sinclair.



**Parish prayers – The Wider Church:** especially; Bishop George Dawson-Ahmoah & the **Churches of Nkoranza, Ghana;** Pfr. Jens Oehme & the people of the **Lütherkirche, Hartau in Chemnitz, Germany;** Revd. Canon Clement Francis M.P.S. (Emeritus) and for the people of **Christ the King, Hillsborough, Carriacou, Grenada. The Church of England & Wider Anglican Communion:** for Wisdom and Discernment for all in the appointment of the next Spiritual Head of the Church of England, and all other spiritual and ministerial roles it embodies. **This Diocese:** especially; **+Sarah**, Bishop of London, **+Lusa**, Bishop of Willesden, **Catherine**, The Archdeacon of Northolt. **The Cathedral Church of S. Paul the Apostle:** the London Diocesan mother church - for all who work and worship there. **Our Church:** especially Revd. Julia Palmer and her family. Our Wardens and PCC members. For our Church Family. For the continued flourishing of our Junior Church and Youth Groups and for their leaders. For our Eco Church & Hall Refurbishment Groups and all other ministries and activities of our Parish. May we continue to grow as a community in grace and minister to all in truth and love. **The World:** especially The Holy Land, Palestine, Gaza, the Middle East, Myanmar, Syria, Sudan, DR Congo and Ukraine. **Those preparing for Confirmation or Baptism:** especially Samuel Winter as he prepares to be confirmed at The Cathedral Church of S. Paul's on Holy Saturday at 6pm, and the Khanegy Family who are being baptised on Easter Sunday morning during our Parish Mass. **For a flourishing of neighbourly loving and community in our Parish, in Hanwell and beyond:** especially in our uniformed organisations and the community groups who make use of the Church Hall. In our local schools of Oaklands Primary, St. Marks Primary & Elthorne High School, and for all who live and work in our Parish. **Those who are housebound, in Hospital or Care Homes and for all who are sick or in any need:** especially; John Ball, John Brake, Nigel & Davina Brooks, Bryn, Ivan Carter, Noel Chardon, Sarah Chapman, Elaine Cole, Patrick Dennerly, Daphne Dorival, Leo & Estriana Douglas, Merfyn Edwards, Darren Hancock, Michael Harrison, Rachael Harrison, Brian Hunt, June, Ian King, Rufus Mansley & Family, Alison Montgomery, Thomas Morley, Jesse Osbourne & Family, Jody Osbourne, Owen, Ann Ross, Sarah, Julia Schumman, Colin Spooner and John Tozer. **The Recently Departed and Those whose years mind falls at this time:** especially; Anna Bean, Jeff Bries, Francis Alan Caird, John Clarke, John Eliot, Dorothy Mavis Freeth Peter Gilbert, Eileen Gilbert, Walter Gilbert, Ellen Hutcheson, Brenda Eliza Noel, John Britto Noel, Richard John Francis Tiddy, and June Tiddy.

