



## **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

**11.00am**

**The Sixth Sunday in Lent:  
Palm Sunday**

*Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast. We respectfully ask you to wear a face covering when singing the hymns. Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens.*



## **GUIDANCE WITH THE EASING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS**

With the easing of Covid restrictions, but a need for continued caution, we are making some changes as follows:

While moving through the cathedral and making your way for communion, we ask you to continue to wear face coverings.

However while seated or standing in your seat, you may wish to remove your face covering. We encourage you to join in singing. However, please continue to leave a seat vacant between family groups. Rows are currently at 0.75m apart.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION**

Baptised members of Christian churches are welcome to join in this Eucharist.

It is the Lord's table and this invitation is given in his name.

The Eucharist will be celebrated and distributed in both kinds in accordance with Covid precautions as laid down by the Church of Ireland.

If you wish to receive communion, please move to the Quire Steps when directed by the cathedral wardens. Those seated on the North (left) side of the Nave will move first, then those seated on the South (right) side afterwards.

The wine will be in individual cups. When you approach the clergy you will receive the wafer bread, which you should consume immediately. There are tables on the north and south aisles where you will receive the wine. Please approach the table on the side on which you are seated. Empty cups should be placed in the basin provided.

Please indicate if you require a gluten-free wafer, or if you require Communion to be brought to your seat.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, please indicate by crossing your arms across your chest.

### **Post-service Refreshments**

Once you are guided by the cathedral wardens, you may wish to collect a coffee or tea from the West End of the Cathedral.

**PLEASE DO NOT CONGREGATE AROUND THE SERVING TABLES.**

*Please do not make video recordings or take photographs during the service*

**Organ Prelude:** Chorale Prelude on 'Rockingham' Sir Charles Parry (1848-1918)



**THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS**



*Please be seated as the Dean welcomes the congregation*

*Please stand for* **THE GREETING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD**

"Hosanna to the Son of David, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." Behold your king comes to you, O Zion, meek and lowly, riding on a donkey. Ride on in the cause of truth and for the sake of justice. Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever; and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre. You have loved righteousness and hated evil. Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above all others. **Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**THE GOSPEL OF PALM SUNDAY:** Luke 19:28-40

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it." ' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'



## THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE



Please stand to sing **HYMN 217\***:



*All glory laud and honour  
to thee Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.*

**Thou art the King of Israel,  
thou David's royal Son,  
who in the Lord's name comest,  
the King and blessed one:**

**The people of the Hebrews  
with palms to meet thee went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems  
before thee we present:**

**Thou didst accept their praises;  
accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest,  
thou good and gracious King.**

*Words: St Theodulf of Orleans (d. 821) tr. John Mason Neale (1818-66) based on Matthew 21:8-9  
Tune NEH 509: ST THEODULPH (VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN) Melody by Melchior Teschner (1584-1635)  
harmony chiefly by William Henry Monk (1823-89) (second half of Refrain from J.S. Bach)*

### **PENITENCE**

Please kneel or sit whilst the choir sings the **KYRIE**:

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep thy laws.

*Setting: Communion Service in C and F, Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

Almighty God, **our heavenly Father**, we have sinned in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone. **We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may walk in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty and everlasting God, who, in your tender love towards the human race, sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: Grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE LENT COLLECT**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



### **THE LITURGY OF THE PASSION**



*Please sit for the* **EPISTLE READING:** Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain seated as the choir sings* **PSALM 118 VI-2, 19-29:**

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious:

because his mercy endureth for ever.

Let Israel now confess, that he is gracious:

and that his mercy endureth for ever.

Open me the gates of righteousness:

that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord:

the righteous shall enter into it.

I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me:

and art become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders refused:

is become the head-stone in the corner.

This is the Lord's doing:

and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made:

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Help me now, O Lord:

O Lord, send us now prosperity.

Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:

we have wished you good luck, ye that are of the house of the Lord.

God is the Lord who hath shewed us light:

bind the sacrifice with cords, yea, even unto the horns of the altar.

Thou art my God, and I will thank thee:

thou art my God, and I will praise thee.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious:

and his mercy endureth for ever.

*Please stand for the* **GLORIA:**

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.

*Tone VI*

*Please remain standing to sing the* **ACCLAMATION:**

*1st time: Cantor*

*2nd time: All*

*Versé: Cantor*

*Repeat: All*



Christ humbled himself, and became obedient to the point of death on a cross: therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name. *Philippians 2:8-9*

*Please be seated for the reading of the **ST LUKE PASSION** and stand when indicated to do so: Luke 22:14-23:56*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.' Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, 'Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.' Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!' Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

'Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.' And he said to him, 'Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!' Jesus said, 'I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.'

He said to them, 'When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?' They said, 'No, not a thing.' He said to them, 'But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, "And he was counted among the lawless";

and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled.' They said, 'Lord, look, here are two swords.' He replied, 'It is enough.'

He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them, 'Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.' Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, 'Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.' Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them, 'Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.'

While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him, 'Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?' When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, 'Lord, should we strike with the sword?' Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, 'No more of this!' And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!'

Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, 'This man also was with him.' But he denied it, saying, 'Woman, I do not know him.' A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, 'You also are one of them.' But Peter said, 'Man, I am not!' Then about an hour later yet another kept insisting, 'Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.' But Peter said, 'Man, I do not know what you are talking about!' At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, 'Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?' They kept heaping many other insults on him.



When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said, 'If you are the Messiah, tell us.' He replied, 'If I tell you, you will not believe; 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.' All of them asked, 'Are you, then, the Son of God?' He said to them, 'You say that I am.' Then they said, 'What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!'

Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, 'We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.' Then Pilate asked him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' He answered, 'You say so.' Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, 'I find no basis for an accusation against this man.' But they were insistent and said, 'He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.'

When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, 'You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.'

Then they all shouted out together, 'Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!' (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, 'Crucify, crucify him!' A third time he said to them, 'Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.' But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed.

So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

Please stand

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, "Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed." Then they will begin to say to the mountains, "Fall on us"; and to the hills, "Cover us." For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?'

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, 'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.' Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, 'Certainly this man was innocent.'

And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance, watching these things.

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Please be seated for a period of silent reflection*

*Please stand and face east to say the **NICENE CREED**:*

We believe in one God, **the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



*Please kneel or sit*

Let us stand with Christ in his suffering and offer our prayers in his holy name:

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death, and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may grow a rich union in Christ, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, and for those seeking election in these weeks, that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground, and all places of violent warfare, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation at home or in nursing home, and all facing serious illness, that they may find support and encouragement, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those weighed down by hardship, exhaustion, or grief, who feel that God is far from them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That we, with those who have died in faith, may find mercy in the day of Christ, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

**Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.**

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

*Please stand for* **THE PEACE**

Being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Romans 5:1, 2*

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

*Please remain standing to sing* **HYMN 243\*:**



**The royal banners forward go,  
the cross shines forth in mystic glow;  
where he in flesh, our flesh who made,  
our sentence bore, our ransom paid.**

**His feet and hands outstretching there,  
he willed the piercing nails to bear;  
for us, and our redemption's sake  
a victim of himself to make.**

**There whilst he hung, his sacred side  
by soldier's spear was opened wide,  
to cleanse us in the precious flood  
of water mingled with his blood.**



**To thee, eternal Three in One,  
let homage meet by all be done:  
as by the cross thou dost restore,  
so rule and guide us evermore.  
Amen.**

*Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (530-609) tr. John Mason Neale (1818-66)  
Tune NEH 512: GONFALON ROYAL Percy C. Buck (1871-1947)*



## **CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE**

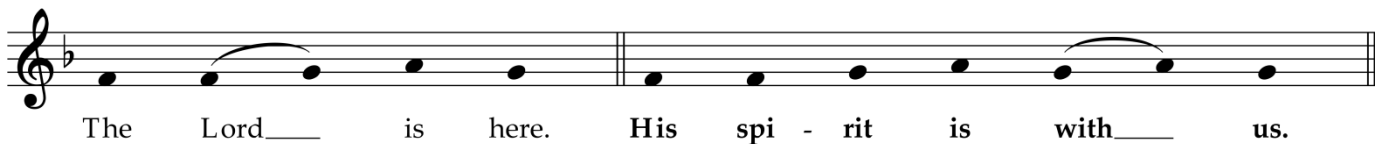


*Please remain standing*

Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ our risen high priest; make yourself known in the breaking of bread. **Amen.**

### **THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us,  
**therefore let us celebrate the feast.**



Father, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

Through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who, for the redemption of the world, humbled himself to death on the cross; that, being lifted up from the earth, he might draw all people to himself:

And so with all your people, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

*The choir sings the* **SANCTUS and BENEDICTUS:**

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.

*Setting: Communion Service in C and F, Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

Blessed are you, Father, the creator and sustainer of all things; you made us in your own image, male and female you created us; even when we turned away from you, you never ceased to care for us, but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin, giving your only begotten Son to become man and suffer death on the cross to redeem us; he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world: he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again:

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, 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 when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for 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.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son commanded: **we remember his passion and death, we celebrate his resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

**Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him:**

**Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Please kneel or sit*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**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 bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God, who has taken away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

*Please remain seated whilst the choir sings the* **AGNUS DEI:**

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

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

*Setting: Communion Service in C and F, Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

## **THE COMMUNION**

*Please observe the guidance of the Church Wardens and follow the directions as printed at the beginning of this order of service*

**Organ music:** Hosanna Filio David (from 12 Chorale Preludes on Gregorian Chant Themes, Op. 8) *Jeanne Marie-Madeleine Demessieux (1921-68)*

*During communion the Cathedral Choir sings the* **ANTHEM:**

Lift up your heads, O ye gates,

and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors,

and the King of Glory shall come in!

Who is this King of Glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates,

and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors,

and the King of Glory shall come in!

Who is this King of Glory?

The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.

*Words: Psalm 24:7-10 (from Messiah)*

*Music: George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)*



## THE GREAT SILENCE

*When all have received communion, the presiding minister, other ministers and people keep silence for reflection*



## GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

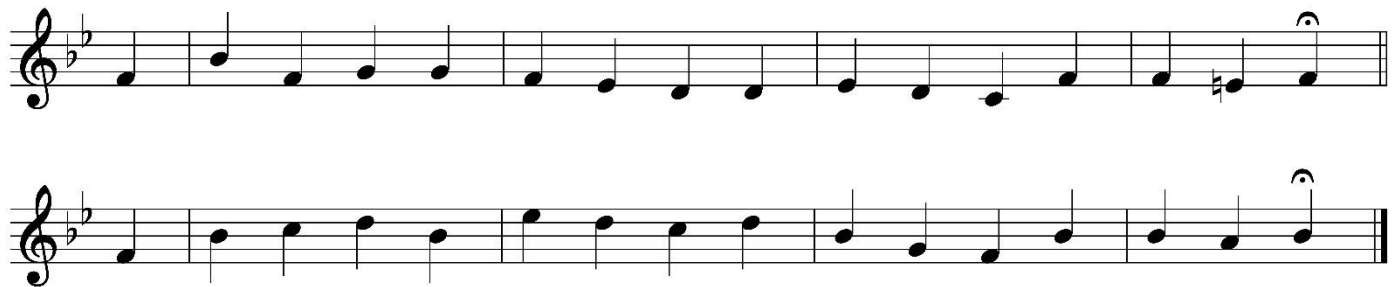


### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation. Give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Almighty God, **we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

*Please stand to sing* **HYMN 238\*:**



**Ride on, ride on in majesty,  
hark, all the tribes, 'Hosanna' cry!  
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road  
with palms and scattered garments strowed.**

**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.**

*Words: Henry H. Milam (1791-1868) based on Matthew 21:8-9; Zechariah 9:9*

*Tune NEH 511: WINCHESTER NEW Melody adapted from Musikalisches Hand-Buch (Hamburg, 1690) by William Henry Havergal (1793-1870)*

## THE BLESSING

May Christ draw us to himself and grant that we find in his cross a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Organ Postlude:** Matheus-Final *Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)*

*Please do take your Palm Sunday cross home with you and please remain in your place until the Churchwardens direct you to move.*

*Thank you.*



## NOTICES



Please avail of refreshments, following the directions at the beginning of this order of service. We are appealing for volunteers to assist with providing refreshments on rotation, please consider signing up for this if you are able.

This evening at 5.00pm:

### **A Concert Performance of Philip Wilby's St Matthew Passion ("An English Passion")**

Featuring Belfast Cathedral Choir  
and the Belfast Cathedral Children's Choir.

Tickets £10 (Under 16s free)

To purchase tickets, go on-line to

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/belfast-cathedral-43076508483>

Full Details at: [www.belfastcathedral.org/events](http://www.belfastcathedral.org/events)

As you leave, please remember to make your Free Will Offering contribution to support the ongoing work and life of Belfast Cathedral, or give via online banking to:

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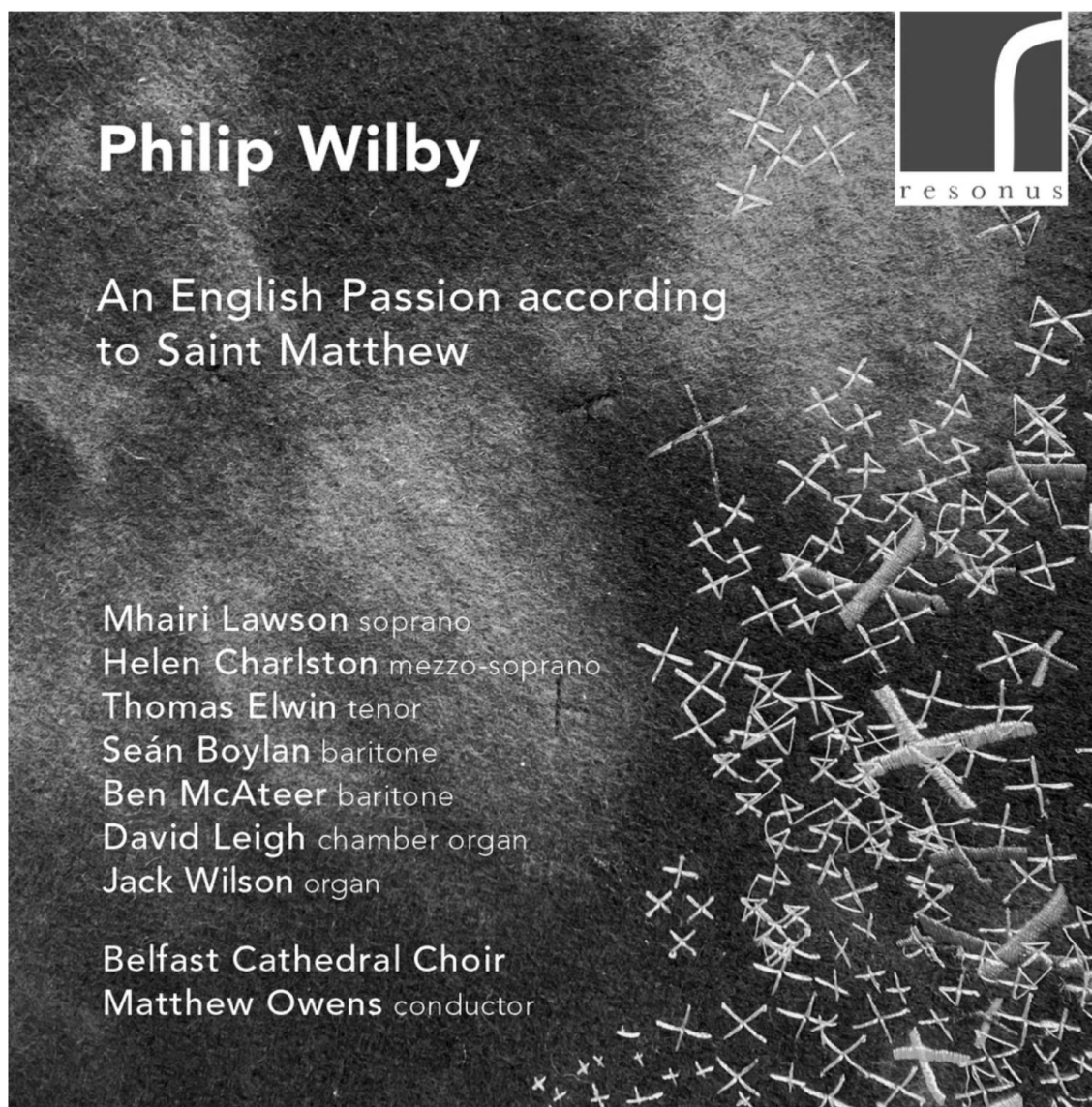
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### **Lent Black Santa Appeal**

On the Wednesdays of Lent the Dean is donning the Black Santa mantle and standing at the cathedral steps between noon and 3.00pm in aid of the situation in Ukraine. Over £50,000 raised to date. Please consider contributing to this as part of your Lenten preparation.

# NEW RELEASE FROM BELFAST CATHEDRAL CHOIR



Following Belfast Cathedral Choir's highly acclaimed debut release on Resonus Classics, the choir is proud to present its second release for the label, the world premiere recording of Philip Wilby's powerful and accessible setting of the *St Matthew Passion* alongside two other first recordings of recent works by the composer.

**For sale after services during April at the special price of £10**

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## **BELFAST CATHEDRAL HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2022**

<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>1pm Lunchtime Reflective Service</b> <b>Chapel of Unity, followed by coffee</b>
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>1pm Lunchtime Reflective Service</b> <b>Chapel of Unity, followed by coffee</b>
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>1pm Lunchtime Holy Communion</b> <b>Chapel of Unity, followed by coffee</b>  <b>5.30pm Choral Evensong with</b> <i><b>Lamentationes Jeremiae prophetae (I)</b></i> <b>by Thomas Tallis</b>
<b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>7.30pm Choral Eucharist with a</b> <b>Washing of Feet, followed by the</b> <b>Stripping of the Altar in preparation</b> <b>for Good Friday</b>
<b>Good Friday</b> <b>15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>12 noon to 3.00pm</b> <b>Three Hour Service reflecting on</b> <b>The Seven Words from the Cross.</b> <i><b>Guest Preacher: The Rt Revd George</b></i> <i><b>Davison, Bishop of Connor</b></i>  <b>7.30pm</b> <b>A Service for Good Friday evening</b> <b>with the Cathedral Choir, including</b> <b>the “Popule meus” Reproaches by</b> <b>Tomás Luis de Victoria</b>
<b>Holy Saturday</b> <b>16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b><u>8.00pm</u></b> <b>Choral Vigil Service</b> <b>with the Lighting of the Easter Flame</b> <b>and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows</b>
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> <b>17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>11.00am</b> <b>Festival Choral Eucharist</b> <b>for Easter Morning</b>  <b>3.30pm</b> <b>Festival Choral Evensong</b> <b>for Easter Day</b>