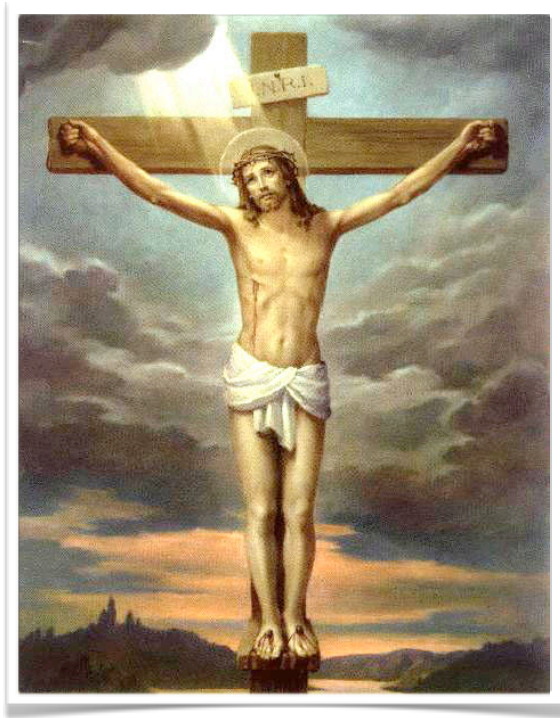


## ST THOMAS BECKET ANGLICAN CHURCH

“A welcoming, active and inclusive church, growing in our relationship with God and the wider community.”



**29 MARCH 2013, GOOD FRIDAY**

*Liturgy of the Word & Recognition of the Cross at 10:30am*

Welcome, especially if you are visiting. As the service begins in silence, please maintain the prayerful and solemn atmosphere. Please also make sure you switch your mobile phone off or to silent mode. Thank you.

## The Service begins in Silence.

### Collect for Good Friday

Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of wicked men and to suffer death upon the Cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Old Testament Reading      Isaiah 52:12-53

For you shall not go out in haste, and you shall not go in flight; for the Lord will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rearguard. See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him — so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals — so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

### Psalm 22:1-22

*Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me, and are so far from my salvation, from the words of my distress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; and by night also, but I find no rest. **R**
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forebears trusted in you; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; they put their trust in you and were not confounded. **R**
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, **R**
- 8 'He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him deliver him, if he delights in him.'
- 9 But it is you that took me out of the womb and laid me safe upon my mother's breast. **R**
- 10 On you was I cast ever since I was born; you are my God even from my mother's womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near at hand and there is none to help. **R**
- 12 Mighty oxen come around me; fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.
- 13 They gape upon me with their mouths, as it were a ramping and a roaring lion. **R**
- 14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart has become like wax melting in the depths of my body.
- 15 My mouth is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue cleaves to my gums; you have laid me in the dust of death. **R**

- 16 For the hounds are all about me, the pack of evildoers close in on me; they pierce  
my hands and my feet.
- 17 I can count all my bones; they stand staring and looking upon me.
- 18 They divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing. **R**
- 19 Be not far from me, O Lord; you are my strength; hasten to help me.
- 20 Deliver my soul from the sword, my poor life from the power of the dog.
- 21 Save me from the lion's mouth, from the horns of wild oxen. You have answered me! **R**
- 22 I will tell of your name to my people; in the midst of the congregation will I praise you.

**New Testament Reading      Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9**

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathise with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

**Hymn 112**

**My Song is Love Unknown**

Passion Gospel

Sermon

Fr Matthew Jones

**Hymn 123**

**There is a Green Hill**

*The Cross is brought to the foot of the altar.*

**Hymn 127**

**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**

Recognition of the Cross

Prayers of Intercession

The Our Father

*Please use whatever language you are comfortable with.*

**Hymn 126**

**Were You There When They Crucified My Lord**

*The minister says:*

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved mankind: grant that by faith in Him who suffered on the Cross, we may triumph in the power of His victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Service ends in Silence**



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