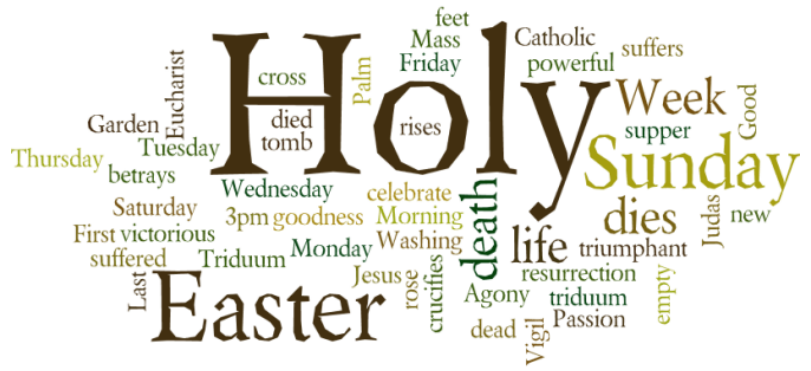


# Saint Hilda's Church

## Maundy Thursday

### 9th April 2020



Although we are unable to meet together during the Coronavirus 'lockdown', we can still devote personal time during Holy Week to reflect on the ultimate sacrifice Our Lord made when he died on the cross for us.

#### Reading 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, 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.

Please, remember in your prayers all those who are sick, or alone or anyone suffering from the coronavirus. We pray also for all the Key workers helping others during this time of crisis. We pray today for all who work for the NHS and those on our prayer list - Fred Oliver, Paul Cohen, Christine & Raymond Murray, Jean Williams, Marlene Burns, Doreen Hyland, Frank & Jimmy Kirkham, Denis Fairhurst, Howard Carr, Irene Healy, Helen Dearden, Heather Bleakley, Rose Pryor, , James Barns, Kay & Roger Thomas, Peggy Smith, Brian Phillips, Robert Dalton, Doreen Warburton, Derek Miles, Hilary & Stuart Graham, Beryl & Alan Coates, Reverend Deborah, Jimmy Lamb, Derek and Beryl Hughes.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

#### Gospel Reading

John 13.1-15

Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it round his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped round him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterwards you will understand." Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not 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, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean." When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.

#### An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

