

*After a few minutes' adoration, there will be the Taizé chant:*



*After a period of silent prayer, the priests and servers leave.*

***This marks the end of tonight's liturgy.***

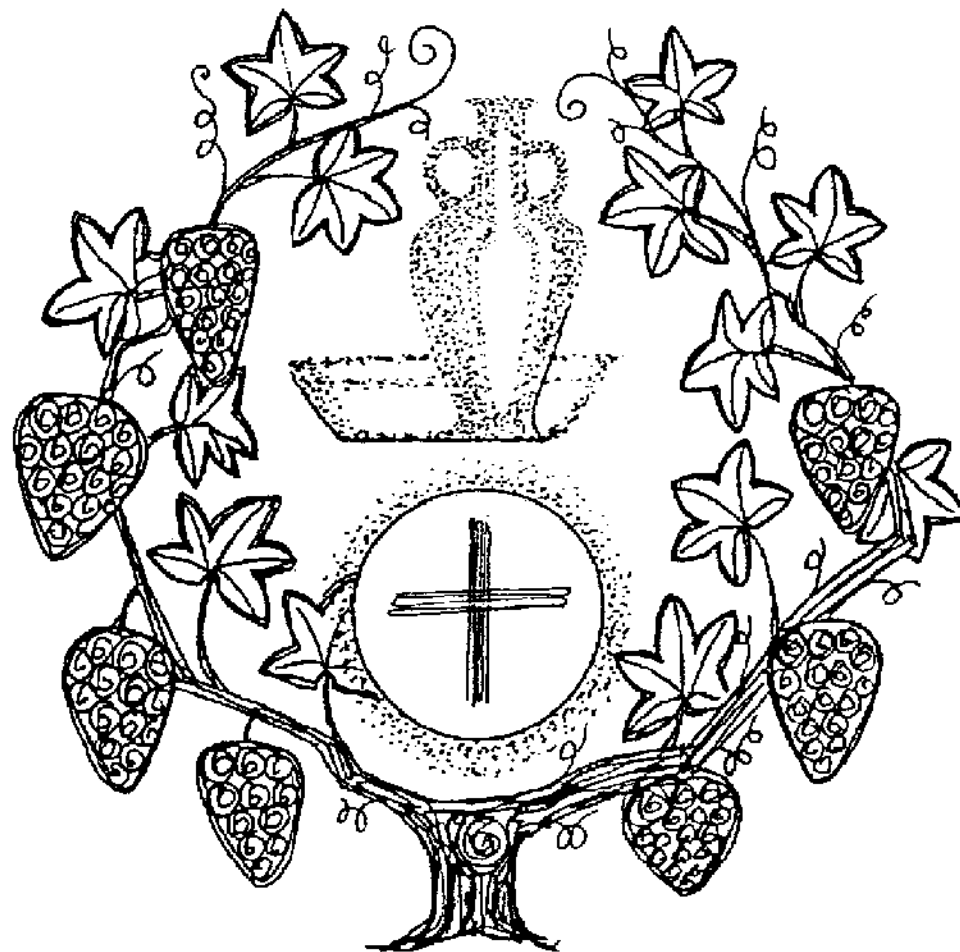
*Those who are able continue in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament until 10.30pm.*

***During this period, please enter and leave the Hall  
by the side door, in silence.***



St Monica's Church, Palmers Green

## **EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**



**Thursday 28th March 2024**

**8pm**

*This evening's celebration is the start of the three-day celebration of the Lord's  
Passion, Death and Resurrection.  
The Tabernacle is empty and holy water has been removed.*

### Entrance Hymn

Love Divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down, Fix in us thy humble dwelling, All thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, Pure unbounded love thou art; Visit us with thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.	Come, almighty to deliver, Let us all thy grace receive; Suddenly return, and never, Never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve thee as thy hosts above, Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, Glory in thy perfect love.
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Finish then thy new creation  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee.  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Charles Wesley



### Reception of the Oils

*The Holy Oils, blessed by Cardinal Vincent at the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, are received by the parish community.*

*The **Oil of the Sick** is brought in by a medical person.*

*The **Oil of Catechumens** is brought in by the RCIA adults who are going to be Baptised at the Easter Vigil Mass Saturday at 8pm.*

***Sacred Chrism** is brought in by candidates for Confirmation.*

*We greet each oil with the refrain*

**Thanks be to God! Thanks be to God!**

**Gloria Refrain Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus  
bonae voluntatis.**

Of the glorious body telling,  
O my tongue, its mysteries sing,  
And the blood, all price excelling,  
Which the world's eternal King,  
In a noble womb once dwelling,  
Shed for this world's ransoming.

Giv'n for us, for us descending,  
Of a virgin to proceed,  
Man with man in converse blending,  
Scattered he the gospel seed,  
Till his sojourn drew to ending,  
Which he closed in wondrous deed.

At the last great supper lying  
Circled by his brethren's band,  
Meekly with the law complying,  
First he finished its command,  
Then, immortal food supplying,  
Gave himself by his own hand.

Word-made-flesh, by word he maketh  
very Bread his very flesh to be;  
Man in wine Christ's blood partaketh:  
And if senses fail to see,  
Faith alone the true heart waketh  
To behold the mystery.

Therefore we, before him bending,  
This great sacrament revere:  
Types and shadows have their ending,  
For the newer rite is here;  
Faith, our outward sense befriending,  
Makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give and blessing  
To the Father and the Son,  
Honour, might and praise addressing,  
While eternal ages run;  
Ever too his love confessing,  
Who, from both, with both is one. *St Thomas Aquinas*

He'll not let my soul be lost  
His promises shall last  
Bought by Him at such a cost  
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died  
Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied  
He will hold me fast  
Raised with Him to endless life  
He will hold me fast  
Till our faith is turned to sight  
When he comes at last

Keith & Kristyn Getty and Selah

*A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.*

By this shall all mankind know you are my disciples,  
If you have love one for another.

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If you have love one for another.

Anonymous, based on John 13:34-35

Silence is kept after the Communion hymn

### **Prayer after Communion**

### **Procession to the Altar of Repose**

*Preparations are made for the Blessed Sacrament to be taken to the Altar of Repose. We all kneel.*

*Please follow the priests, servers and choir to the Large Hall for the end of the service, all praying together at the Altar of Repose.*

*The choir will sing the first verse of the processional hymn.*

## **LITURGY of the WORD**

### **First Reading**

Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14

*Instructions concerning the Passover Meal.*

### **Psalm Response**

**Our blessing cup, is a communion, with the blood of Christ;  
and the bread we break, it is a sharing, in the body of the Lord.**

### **Second Reading**

I Corinthians 11: 23-26

*Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup,  
you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.*

### **Gospel Acclamation stand**

**Praise to you, O Christ our Saviour,  
Word of the Father calling us to life;  
Son of God who leads us to freedom:  
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **Gospel**

John 13: 1-15

*Now he showed how perfect his love was.*

### **Homily**

### **The Mandatum**

*The priest washes feet, recalling Christ's 'mandate' at the Last Supper.*

Brother, sister, let me serve you;  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow,  
till we've seen this journey through.

We are pilgrims on a journey,  
and companions on the road;  
we are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.

When we sing to God in heaven,  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.

I will hold the Christ light for you  
in the night time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.

Brother, sister, let me serve you;  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

Richard Gillard

**Refrain: Ubi caritas et amor. Ubi caritas, deus ibi est.**

*God is love and where true love is, God himself is there. (Taizé)*

### **Prayer of the Faithful**

## **LITURGY of the EUCHARIST**

### **Preparation of the Gifts**

*Bread and wine are brought up for those who will receive Communion tonight and for Communion on Good Friday.*

*Bread of life, truth eternal,  
Broken now to set us free.  
The risen Christ, his saving power,  
Is here in Bread and Wine for me.*

Lord, I know I am not worthy to receive you.  
You speak the words and I am healed.  
Here at your table, Love's mystery:  
One bread, one cup, one family.

Lord by your cross, you reconciled us to the Father.  
We have only to believe.  
Your sacrifice, our victory,  
Now by your blood we are redeemed.

Lord, you gave your people manna in the desert,  
Still you fulfil our every need.

Lord when we hunger, Lord, when we thirst,  
We come to you and we receive the ...

*Joanne Boyce & Mike Stanley*

## **SANCTUS**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Holy Lord,  
Holy Lord, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed, blessed, blessed,  
blessed is he who comes in the name,  
who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

## **Mystery of Faith**

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup.  
When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
We proclaim your death until you come again.**

## **Great Amen**

## **Lord's Prayer**

## **Sign of Peace**

## **Agnus Dei**

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, x2 (dona nobis pacem).

## **Holy Communion**

Those who are not Roman Catholic or do not wish to receive communion  
You are warmly invited to come forward to receive a blessing.  
Please indicate this to the priest by crossing your arm across your chest.

## **Communion Hymn**

When I fear my faith will fail  
Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail  
He will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold  
Through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold  
He must hold me fast

*He will hold me fast  
He will hold me fast  
For my Saviour loves me so  
He will hold me fast*

Those He saves are His delight  
Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in His holy sight  
He will hold me fast