



The Parish and Ward Church
of St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate
EC2M 3TL



The Last Supper, Dieric Bouts c1415-75, Sint Pieterskerk, Leuven

Choral Mass
upon **Maundy Thursday**
28 March 2024 at 1.10 pm

The Revd David Armstrong, Rector

Iestyn Evans, Director of Music

020 7588 3388 church@botolph.org.uk www.botolph.org.uk

St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate - a place of calm, sanctuary and God's love in the City

**Welcome to St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate
for our Choral Mass with Maundy Ceremonies**

A bell is rung. Stand as the Choir and priest enter

Processional Hymn: NEH 302 (verses 1-3)

O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray
That all thy Church might be for ever one,
Grant us at every Eucharist to say
With longing heart and soul, 'Thy will be done.'
Oh, may we all one Bread, one Body be,
One through this Sacrament of unity.

For all thy Church, O Lord, we intercede;
Make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
Draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
By drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace:
Thus may we all one Bread, one Body be,
One through this Sacrament of unity.

We pray thee too for wanderers from thy fold;
O bring them back, good Shepherd of the sheep,
Back to the faith which saints believed of old,
Back to the Church which still that faith doth keep:
Soon may we all one Bread, one Body be,
One through this Sacrament of unity.

The Greeting

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

All Amen.

Priest The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

Prayer of Preparation

Priest Almighty God,

**All unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts
of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify
thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Act of Penance

Kneel (or sit)

Priest 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.

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against thee and against our fellow men, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve thee in newness of life to the glory of thy name. Amen.**

Priest 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.**

Stand

Gloria in excelsis *is sung by the Choir*

Mass for four voices—William Byrd 1543–1623

English translation:

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly
King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesus Christ: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy
upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art the Most High,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Silence is kept.

Priest God our Father, who hast invited us to share in the supper
which thy Son hath given to his Church that it may proclaim
his death until he comes: may he nourish us by his presence,
and unite us in his love; who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

First Lesson: Exodus 12: 1-4, 11-14

At the end:

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: NEH 90 (verses 3, 4)

Before the Gospel reading all sing:

In thy most bitter passion my heart to share doth cry,
With thee for my salvation upon the Cross to die.
Ah, keep my heart thus movèd to stand thy Cross beneath,
To mourn thee, well-beloved, yet thank thee for thy death.

Priest The Lord be with you

All And with thy spirit.

Priest Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Gospel: S John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

At the end:

Priest This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

After the Gospel reading all sing:

My days are few, O fail not, with thine immortal power,
To hold me that I quail not in death's most fearful hour:
That I may fight befriended, and see in my last strife
To me thine arms extended upon the Cross of life.

The Sermon is omitted.

Prayers of Intercession

Kneel (or sit)

Priest In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the Saviour of the world.

Father, on this, the day he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service. Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

On this day, he prayed for his disciples to be one.
We pray for the unity of your Church. Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

On this day, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message. We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

On this day, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved. We hold before you for your blessing and support all who are ill in body mind or spirit, all those who have asked for our prayers, those whom we know need our prayers, and all those whose needs are known only onto you, O Lord. Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

On this day, he reminded his disciples that if the world hated them, it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

On this day, he accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom.

We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord,

and let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace

and rise in glory.

Heavenly Father, your Son our Saviour teaches us that blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Pour your comfort on all who grieve any loss this day.

Rejoicing in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Botolph our patron, and all the saints, we make our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All accept these prayers for the sake of thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Rite of Washing of Feet, also known as the Mandatum

Remain seated

The Gospel has just reminded us that Jesus took a bowl of water and a towel, and in humility washed the feet of his disciples: this act of humility and service is re-enacted now by the priest and two members of the congregation. Jesus said to his disciples 'I have now given you an example; you should love one another as I have loved you. As I have washed your feet, so you must wash one another's feet.' The Latin mandatum (= commission, charge, order) gives us the word Maundy.

During the Washing of Feet the Choir sing:

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsulemus et in ipso iucundemur.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum,
et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

*Where charity and love are, there is God.
The love of Christ has gathered us together into one:
let us rejoice and be glad in him.
Let us fear and love the living God,
and with a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.*

Liber Usualis

At the end of the Washing of Feet:

Priest Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ taught us that what we do for the least of our brethren, we do also for him; give us the will to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, yet liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Stand

The Peace

Priest 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 with thy spirit.

Priest and people exchange a sign of peace. Please respect other congregation members who may feel more vulnerable than you and may not yet feel able to shake hands.

Remain standing to sing the Offertory Hymn

During the singing of the hymn a collection will be taken up for our Lent Appeal (see back cover). If you are a UK taxpayer please use a Gift Aid envelope. We are also able to accept contactless payments – if you prefer to donate by this method please use one of the devices at the front or the back of church or the QR code on the back cover of this service sheet.

Offertory Hymn: NEH 94

We sing the praise of him who died,
Of him who died upon the Cross;
The sinner's hope let men deride,
For this we count the world but loss.

Inscribed upon the Cross we see
In shining letters, 'God is Love';
He bears our sins upon the Tree;
He brings us mercy from above.

The Cross! it takes our guilt away;
It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day.
And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.

It makes the coward spirit brave,
And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
It takes its terror from the grave,
And gilds the bed of death with light;

The balm of life, the cure of woe,
The measure and the pledge of love,
The sinner's refuge here below,
The angels' theme in heaven above.

Preparation of the Table

Remain standing

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Priest 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.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The priest takes the bread.

Priest Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation: through thy goodness
we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human
hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The priest takes the wine.

Priest Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation: through thy goodness
we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human
hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

Priest It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord.

For he is thy living Word; through him thou hast created all things from the beginning, and fashioned us in thine own image.

Through him thou didst redeem us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman, to die upon the cross, and to rise again for us.

Through him thou hast made us a people for thine own possession, exalting him to thy right hand on high, and sending forth through him thy holy and life-giving Spirit.

And now we give thee thanks because, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; and on the night before he suffered, sitting at table with his disciples, he instituted these holy mysteries, that we, redeemed by his death and restored to life by his resurrection, might be partakers of his divine nature.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and singing:

Sanctus, and Benedictus qui venit are sung by the Choir
Plainchant (Mass XVIII)

English translation:

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.

Kneel or sit

Priest Hear us, O Father, through Christ thy Son our Lord; through him accept our sacrifice of praise; and grant that by the power of thy Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us his body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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.

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to thee, he gave it to them, saying: Drink ye all of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of his saving passion, his resurrection from the dead, and his glorious ascension into heaven, and we look for the coming of his kingdom. We pray thee to accept this our duty and service, and grant that we may so eat and drink these holy things in the presence of thy divine majesty, that we may be filled with thy grace and heavenly blessing.

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 unto thee, O Father almighty, world without end.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour 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.

Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Priest We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei *is sung by the Choir*

Plainchant (Mass XVIII)

English translation:

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

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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

Giving of Communion

The priest says this invitation to communion

Priest Behold 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 that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

All We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

The priest and people receive communion. Communicant members of all Christian traditions are invited to receive Holy Communion.

*Words of distribution are used and the communicant replies **Amen**.*

All other members of the congregation are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing—please hold this book as a sign.

Anthem during Communion:

Vere languores nostros ipse tulit et dolores nostros ipse portavit,
cuius livore sanati sumus.

Dulce lignum, dulce clavos, dulcia ferens pondera,
quae sola fuistis digna sustinere regem coelorum et Dominum.

*Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows:
and with his stripes we are healed.*

*O sweet wood, O sweet nails, that bore this sweet burden,
which alone were worthy to support the King of heaven and Lord.*

*Isaiah 53: 4, 5; remainder based on lines from Tomás Luis de Victoria 1548–1611
Pange lingua gloriosi, S Venantius Fortunatus*

If after the singing of the Anthem the distribution of Communion is not completed, NEH 95 will be sung as required:

When I survey the wondrous Cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

His dying crimson like a robe,
Spreads o'er his body on the Tree;
Then am I dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Prayers after Communion

Kneel (or sit)

Silence is kept.

Priest Lord Jesus Christ, we thank thee that in this wonderful sacrament thou hast given us a memorial of thy passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruits of thy redemption; for thou livest and reignest, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Priest Almighty God,

All we thank thee for feeding us with the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer thee our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of thy Spirit to live and work to thy praise and glory. Amen.

The Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose

Remain kneeling (or sitting).

The priest dons the humeral veil and censes the Blessed Sacrament, which is then carried solemnly in procession to the Altar of Repose where the Watch will be kept.

During the Procession all sing:

Hymn: NEH 268 (verses 1-4)

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.

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

Given 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.
Word-made-Flesh, by word he maketh
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.

If the procession has not reached the Altar of Repose by the end of the fourth verse, the first verse of the hymn is repeated.

When the procession reaches the Altar of Repose, the Sacrament is placed on the Altar. The priest and ministers genuflect and return to the sanctuary to commence

The Stripping of the Altars

Remain kneeling (or sitting)

While the Ministers remove the linens and ornaments from the Altars and Sanctuary, Psalm 22 (verses 1-21) is sung

(At whatever point the Stripping is completed, the Psalm will break off at the verse being sung, and the Antiphon will be repeated.)

You are invited to sing the words in bold type with the Choir.

*Antiphon: They part my garments among them:
and cast lots upon my vesture.*

- 1 My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou for-sak-en-me:
**and art so far from my health and from the words
of my-complaint?**
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest *not*:
and in the night-season also *I* take-no rest.
- 3 **And thou continuest ho-ly:
O thou worship of Is-ra-el.**

- 4 Our fathers hoped in *thee*:
they trusted in thee, and thou didst *de-li-ver* them.
- 5 They called upon thee, and were *hol-pen*:
they put their trust in thee, and were not *con-found-ed*.**
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no *man*:
a very scorn of men, and the outcast of *the* peo-ple.
- 7 All they that see me laugh me to *scorn*:
they shoot out their lips, and shake their-*hëads*, saying,**
- 8 He trusted in God that he would *de-liv-er-him*:
let him deliver him, if he *will* have him.
- 9 But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb:
thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mo-*ther's*
breasts.**
- 10 I have been left unto thee ever since I was *born*:
thou art my God, even from *my* mo-*ther's* womb.
- 11 O go not from me, for trouble is hard at *hand*:
and there is none *to* help me.**
- 12 Many oxen are come *a-bout* me:
fat bulls of Basan close me in *on* ev-*ry* side.
- 13 They gape upon me with their *mouths*:
as it were a ramping and a roar-*ing* li-on.**
- 14 I am poured out like water, | and all my bones are out of *joint*:
my heart also in the midst of my body is even *like* melt-*ing* wax.
- 15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, |
and my tongue cleaveth to my *gums*:
and thou shalt bring me into *the* dust-*of* death.**
- 16 For many dogs are come *a-bout* me:
and the council of the wicked layeth siege *a-gainst* me.
- 17 They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my *bones*:
they stand staring and looking *up-on* me.**
- 18 They part my garments *a-mong* them:
and cast lots upon *my* ves-*ture*.
- 19 But be not thou far from me, O *Lord*:
thou art my succour, haste thee *to* help me.**
- 20 Deliver my soul from the *sword*:
my darling from the pow-*er* of-*the* dog.
- 21 Save me from the lion's *mouth*:
thou hast heard me also from among the horns of *the* un-*i*-corns.**

22 I will declare thy Name unto my *bre*-thren:
in the midst of the congregation will *I* praise thee.

**23 O praise the Lord, ye that *fear* him:
magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, |
and fear him, all ye seed of Is-*ra*-el.**

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the *poor*:
he hath not hid his face from him, |
but when he called unto him *he* heard him.

**25 My praise is of thee in the great congre-*ga*-tion:
my vows will I perform in the sight of them *that* fear him.**

26 The poor shall eat and be *sa*-tis-*fi*-ed:
they that seek after the Lord shall praise him;
your heart shall live *for* ever.

**27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves,
and be turned unto the *Lord*:
and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship *be*-fore him.**

28 For the kingdom is the *Lord*'s:
and he is the Governor among *the* peo-ple.

**29 All such as be fat upon *earth*:
have eaten *and* wor-shipped.**

30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel *be*-fore him:
and no man hath quickened *his* own soul.

**31 My seed shall serve him:
they shall be counted unto the Lord for a *ge*-*ne*-*ra*-tion.**

32 They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his *ri*gh-*te*ous-*ness*:
unto a people that shall be born, whom *the* Lord-*hath* made.

At whatever point the Stripping is completed, the Psalm will break off at the verse being sung, and the Antiphon will be repeated:

Antiphon: ***They part my garments among them:
and cast lots upon my vesture.***

After this the Choir and Ministers leave quickly and in disorder, just as the disciples forsook Jesus and fled.

As many of the congregation as are able are invited to keep the Watch at the Altar of Repose.

*The church will remain open until 3.00pm,
and after this St Botolph's will be closed until Easter Tuesday.*

Details of services at St Paul's Cathedral and in other City churches for the remainder of the Triduum and Easter can be found at

<https://www.stpauls.co.uk>

<http://www.london-city-churches.org.uk/cityevents.html>

Information about Holy Week services at our partner churches St Francis at the Engine Room and St Mary's Cable Street is posted on our website.

The clergy and staff of St Botolph's Church wish you a blessed Holy Week and a happy Easter when it comes.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES & NOTICES

Church opening and service times

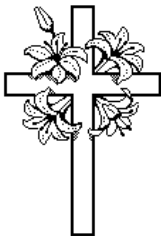
The church is open for public worship and private prayer every Monday [not Bank Holidays] to Friday 7.30 am to 5.30 pm, continuing to maintain God's physical presence in the City of London. Our normal service pattern is:

Tuesdays - Said Masses at 8.10 am and 12.10 pm

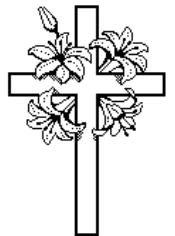
Wednesdays - Choral Mass with sermon at 1.10 pm

Thursdays - Said Mass at 12.10 pm

Choral services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel (accessible from the church website www.botolph.org.uk).



Services in Easter Week



Fr David is away during Easter Week and we are grateful as ever for the assistance of our visiting clergy.

Tuesday 2 April - Tuesday in Easter Week

Said Mass at 8.10 am *celebrated by Fr Toby Thomas*

Said Mass with Easter Ceremonies at 12.10 pm
celebrated by Fr Brian Lewis

Wednesday 3 April - Wednesday in Easter Week

Choral Mass at 1.10 pm *celebrated by Fr Brian Lewis*

Mass in G *Casali*

Regina caeli *Soriano*

Sortie in E flat *Lefébure-Wély*

Thursday 4 April - Thursday in Easter Week

Said Mass at 12.10 pm *celebrated by Fr Brian Lewis*

St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate

LENT APPEAL 2024

All collections and alms given during Lent will go to support our partner church in Tottenham Hale N17



Donations and alms in Lent will once again go towards the support of our Priest Missioner, Fr Andrew Williams, in his role as Vicar at **St Francis at the Engine Room**, our partner church in North London. is the first purpose-built church in the Diocese of London for 40 years, and St Botolph's has been in partnership with the new church since its founding.

Please give as generously as you are able at this time:

- **Cash donations** (outside service times) may be placed in the alms boxes, or handed to a member of staff at any time.
- If you are a UK taxpayer please complete a **Gift Aid envelope** so we can claim back a further 25% from HMRC.
- **Card/contactless donations** can be made at any time via the device on the table at the back of church, **or this QR code**, and can be Gift Aided.



**Thank you in advance
for your support!**

