

St. Thomas'

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The First Sunday in Lent Sunday 6th March 2022 • 8.45 am

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

The Gift of Lent

Lent begins with a necessary reminder: you are dust and to dust you shall return.

In Ash Wednesday, we speak these difficult words so that we might resist the influential fictions that our daily lives impress upon us. The fiction that we are in control. That we can fix ourselves. That we were designed first and foremost to love and care for ourselves.

Jesus tells us that the Law and the Prophets can be distilled into these two commands: Love God and Love Your Neighbour. Throughout history, the story of humanity has been an insistent turning away from these invitations and toward ourselves.

What seems at first an awful loss — remember that you are dust — becomes a gift. Lent offers us the gift of our mortality. The gift of our limitation. We are invited to find the end of ourselves and, in so doing, to find the endlessness of Christ. Lent turns us inside-out for the sake of others.

Lent invites you into a life of inside-out generosity. As we journey through the wilderness to Jerusalem let us learn how giving is at the very heart of the gospel.

Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper in **The Book of Common Prayer** (refer page numbers).

The hymns can be found in the **English Hymnal**.

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

Order of Service

The Gathering

Voluntary

'Aus der tiefe rufe ich'
(Out of the depths I call, Lord, to You.)

C. P. E. Bach (1714 - 1788)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship.

All **STAND**

The Trisagion All sing

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

Call to Worship

ΑII

We begin to journey with Jesus facing our own weaknesses and temptations. seeking the Spirit as our guide and companion along the way.

All join in singing the hymn at the procession.

Hymn at the Procession | #73

Forty days and forty nights

Tune: AUS DER TIEFE

Prayers of Penitence & Absolution

The presbyter invites the people to confess their sins.

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Silence.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.

Amen.

All sing.

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy upon us. Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us

From the liturgy of the Russian Orthodox Church

Presbyter Almighty God,

who forgives all who truly repent,

have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collects for the Day | Page 447 & Page 445

Read by the Presbyter

Old Testament Reading | Page 448

A reading from the Book of Genesis 3. I - 6

At the conclusion of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Sung by the cantors to a chant by Felton

Psalm 91 verses 1, 2, 9 - 16 • Qui habitat

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

- I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold: my God, in him will I trust.
- ⁹ For thou, Lord, art my hope: thou hast set thine house of defence very high.
- There shall no evil happen unto thee: neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
- For he shall give his angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways.
- They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.
- Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.
- Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.
- ¹⁵ He shall call upon me, and I will hear him: yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.
- ¹⁶ With long life will I satisfy him: and shew him my salvation.

All STAND. 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

Please be **SEATED**.

The Epistle | Page 448

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians 6. I - 10

At the conclusion of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

All **STAND** and join in singing the gradual hymn.

Gradual Hymn | # 369

Tune: ABRIDGE

Be thou my Guardian and my Guide

The Gospel of Christ | Page 449

All Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ King of endless glory.

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

The Gospeller The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

St. Matthew 4. I - II

All Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

All sing In the Cross, in the Cross

be my glory ever,

till my ransomed soul shall find

rest beyond the river.

Words: Frances Crosby (1820 - 1915)

Tune: NEAR THE CROSS William Doane (1832 - 1915)

Remain **STANDING** for the Creed, all reciting together.

The Nicene Creed | Page 354

Please be **SEATED**.

Song

Sung by the children of the Sunday school

Sermon

The Revd Avinash Rangayya

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All STAND.

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace.

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the Cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour.

At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral. Thank you for your generosity. All join in singing the hymn.

Preparation of the Table

Hymn at the Offertory | #89

Soul of Jesus, make me whole verses 1, 2, 3 and 7

Tune: HOLLINGSIDE

Misere Domine is Latin for, "Lord have mercy."

Please be **SEATED**.

Lent Prose

Refrain (all) Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:

For we have sinned against Thee.

Cantor To thee, Redeemer, on Thy throne of glory:

Lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:

Listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

arr. John Scott (1956 - 2015)

The Prayers of the People

Kneel as able or remain seated.

Intercessor The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are

bowed down. (Psalm 145:14)

God of love hear the cry of those who yearn for love; fractured families, broken homes neglected, unwanted,

alone. God of love,

All hear our prayer.

God of justice hear the cry of those who yearn for justice; persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill treated, broken.

God of justice hear our prayer.

God of peace hear the cry of those who yearn for peace; in battle zones and broken states, frightened, fearful, anxious. We expecially pray for peace between Ukraine and Russia.

God of peace

hear our prayer.

God of healing hear the cry of those who yearn for healing; physical and spiritual hurting, weakened, depressed

God of healing

hear our prayer.

God of mercy hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy; convicted, in need of your grace, contrite, humble, bowed down, God of mercy

hear our prayer.

I love the Lord, for He heard my voice; He heard my cry for mercy. Because He turned His ear to me, I will call on Him as long as I live.

Presbyter

May you know, the peace of God, the love of God, the justice of God, the healing and mercy of God this day and all days.

Amen.

The Consecration | Page 363

The Communion | Page 368

Communicants are requested to leave space on either side of them when they receive Communion.

During the adminstration of Communion, the cantors sing

Steal away, steal away, Steal away to Jesus! Steal away, steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, He calls me, He calls me by the thunder; the trumpet sounds within my soul; I ain't got long to stay here. Green trees are bending, poor sinners stand a trembling; the trumpet sounds within my soul; I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, He calls me, He calls me by the lightning; the trumpet sounds within my soul; I ain't got long to stay here.

African-American Spiritual

All **STAND** and say.

We thank you Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples.

Amen.

The Blessing
The Presbyter

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; And the blessing of God almighty, † the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

All join in singing the hymn at the closing.

Hymn at the Closing

All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give; I will ever love and trust Him, In His presence daily live.

I surrender all, I surrender all. All to Thee, my blessèd Saviour, I surrender all.

- ² All to Jesus I surrender, Humbly at His feet I bow, Worldy pleasures all forsaken, Take me, Jesus, take me now.
- ³ All to Jesus I surrender, Make me, Saviour, wholly Thine; May Thy Holy Spirit fill me, May I know Thy power divine.
 - ⁴ All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee; Fill me with Thy love and power, Let Thy blessing fall on me.

Words: Judson W. Van De Venter (1855 - 1939)

Tune: SURRENDER Winfield Weeden (1855–1939)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ, Amen.

Postlude

State Anthem of Ukraine

Mykhailo Mykhailovych Verbytsky (1815 - 1870)

Prayer Requests & Announcements

Your prayers are requested for

- † the people of Ukraine; for lasting peace. Pray for relief agencies, world leaders and the United Nations.
- † in the Diocese, Hume Memoria Church, Byculla and the Revd Shamuvel Mhaske .
- † the Church of North India's Diocese of Nagpur and the Rt Revd. Andrew Rathod.
- † the Church of South India's Diocese of Tirunelveli and the Rt Revd A. Barnabas.
- † in the Anglican Communion, the Church in Korea and the Most Revd Peter Lee.

Birthdays

May God bless you abundantly.

Ann Iype (6), Renuka David (10), Rohit Millns (11), Prabha Alexander (12)

In accordance with the Cathedral practice of bare altars during the Lenten season, all contributions for flowers during Lent will be named in the leaflet and honoured at Easter. You may consider contributing, as a family, towards Easter lillies.

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Lent 2022

† Midweek Eucharist	Lady Chapel	Wednesdays	7.30 am
† Lenten talk series	Online	Wednesdays	7.00 pm
† Bible study Sermon on the Mount	Online	Fridays	7.00 pm



Bible Study on the Sermon on the Mount

Friday 11th March 2022 @ 7 pm Zoom ID 2292392476 Password 123456

Speaker Deacon Paul George

Journey to Jerusalem: Lent Talk Series

First talk Wednesday 9th March 2022 @ 7pm

Speaker Robert Clements

Topic Jesus' Passion and Ours: To love

justice itself

Robert (Bobby) Clements is a well-known newspaper

columnist and founder of BobsBanter.com Zoom ID 2292392476 • Password 123456



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to reflect on the prayers and readings and as a reminder of your visit.

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