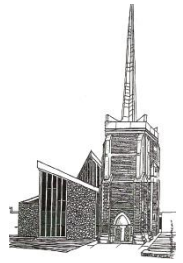


All Saints, Clifton

HOLY SATURDAY

20th April 2019



THE EASTER LITURGY

**The Light - The New Fire and the
Easter Proclamation**

The Word - Readings and Address

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

The First Mass of Easter

Mass Setting: NEH 541

**Welcome on this most Holy Night as we celebrate Christ's rising from the
darkness of death to give eternal light and life to all who look in faith to His
saving glory.**

Please take a candle and gather outside church around the fire.

Words in bold type are to be said or sung by all.

Hymns from New English Hymnal.

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

The Easter fire kindled, the celebrant introduces the Liturgy:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, on this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites her children throughout the world to come together in vigil and prayer. This is the Passover of the Lord. We remember his death and resurrection by hearing his word and celebrating his mysteries confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever in God.

The fire is blessed.

Let us pray. Eternal God who made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of your one true light: set us aflame with the + fire of your love, and bring us to the radiance of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*The celebrant cuts a cross into the Easter candle. He traces **ALPHA** above the cross, **OMEGA** below and **the numerals of the current year** between the arms of the cross.*

He says: Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and power, through every age and for ever.

Amen.

*The celebrant inserts five nails or incense grains into the candle, representing **the wounds of Christ**.*

He says: By his holy and glorious wounds may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

Amen.

The celebrant now lights the candle from the new fire, saying:

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

*The deacon raises the Candle and sings,
All genuflect and reply:*

The light of Christ
Thanks be to God

Preceded by the thurifer, the Deacon bearing the candle leads the procession into the atrium to the south east door. The choir follows the clergy party, and the people follow the choir.

The procession pauses, the candle is raised, all genuflect.

The Deacon sings: The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

All candles are lit. The procession leads into church and up the centre aisle to the Sanctuary step. The candle is raised, all genuflect.

The Deacon sings: The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The people enter their pews and remain standing.

*The Easter candle is set on its stand. Candle and book are censed and the Deacon sings the **EASTER PROCLAMATION - THE EXSULTET**, joyfully announcing the beginning of Eastertide.*

THE READINGS

After the Easter Proclamation, the people sit down for the readings, the candles remain lit. The celebrant introduces the vigil:

As we await the risen Christ, let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history recalling how he saved his people in ages past and in the fullness of time sent his Son to be our Redeemer; and let us pray that through this Easter celebration, God may bring to perfection in each of us the saving work he has begun,

FIRST READING The Creation

Genesis 1.1-5,26-end

Silence follows for reflection

Responsorial Psalm 104

R: Send forth your spirit O Lord and renew the face of the earth

After a pause this collect is sung

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

Amen.

SECOND READING

The Exodus

Exodus 14.10 – 15.1a

Silence follows for reflection

Responsorial Canticle based on *Exodus 14*

R: *I will sing to the Lord glorious his triumph!*

After a pause this collect is sung

Let us pray. Lord God our redeemer; who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery: free us from the tyranny of sin and death and, by the leading of your Spirit, bring us to our promised land: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THIRD READING

Call to Heed God's Word

Isaiah 55.1-11

Silence follows for reflection

Responsorial Canticle based on *Isaiah 12*

R: *I will praise you Lord; you have rescued me.*

After a pause this collect is sung

Let us pray. Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

*Bells now ring as an organ fanfare introduces the **Gloria in excelsis** and the lights go on*

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE MASS

Let us pray. Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

EPISTLE READING

Romans 6.3-14

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

ALLELUIAS

The first Alleluias of Eastertide are sung, each repeated after the priest

GRADUAL HYMN 119

GOSPEL

Luke 24 1-12

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not

here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened

Extinguish candles

SHORT ADDRESS The Venerable Michael Johnson, Archdeacon of Bristol

THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY

The Easter celebrations are intimately connected with baptism, which first unites us with the risen Christ. In joyful celebration the Litany of the Saints is sung as the people's candles are relit and the Easter candle (preceded by the thurifer) leads the procession to the font. During the Procession the People light their candles from the candles on the front and back pews;

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy
Holy Mary, Mother of God
Saint Michael
Holy angels of God
Saint John the Baptist
Saint Joseph
Saint Peter and Paul
Saint Andrew
Saint John
Saint Mary Magdalene
All holy men and women

**Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy
pray for us
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Lord, be merciful
From all evil
From every sin
From everlasting death
By your coming as man
By your death and rising to new life
By your gift of the Holy Spirit
Be merciful to us sinners
By your grace bless this font
where your children will be reborn
Jesus, Son of the living God
Christ, hear us
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer

Lord, save your people
Lord, save your people
Lord, save your people
Lord, save your people
Lord, save your people
Lord, save your people
Lord, save your people
Lord, hear our prayer

Lord, hear our prayer
Lord, hear our prayer
Christ, hear us
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer

*The celebrant introduces the **Renewal of Baptismal Vows***

As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead we remember that through the paschal mystery we have died and been buried with him in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life within the family of his Church. Now that we have completed our observance of Lent, we renew the promises made at our baptism, affirming our allegiance to Christ, and our rejection of all that is evil.

Therefore, I ask these questions:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

I come to Christ.

*The celebrant introduces the **Blessing of Baptismal Water**, saying*

Praise God who made heaven and earth, **who keeps his promise for ever.**
Almighty, God whose Son Jesus Christ was baptized in the river Jordan: we thank you for the gift of water to cleanse us and revive us; we thank you that through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the Promised Land. We thank you that through the deep waters of death you brought your Son, and raised him to life in triumph. Bless this water, that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and in his resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin. Send you Holy Spirit upon them, bring them to new birth in the household of faith, and raise them with Christ to full and eternal life. For all might, majesty, authority and power are yours, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The celebrant now introduces the **Profession of Faith***

Let us now proclaim the Christian faith into which we were baptized and in which we live and grow.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son, Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all those who have been baptized in your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The celebrant signs himself with the blessed water, a symbol of spiritual renewal, and then sprinkles those nearby. The following psalm of triumph is sung, the celebrant continuing to sprinkle the people as the clergy party return to the sanctuary

PSALM 114

Tonus Peregrinus

When Israel *came* / out of / Egypt * and the house of Jacob from a- / mong the / strange / people,

Judah / was his / sanctuary * and / Israel / his do- / minion.

The sea *saw* / that, and / fled : Jor-/dan was / driven / back.

The mountains / skipped like / rams *: and the little / hills like / young / sheep.

What aileth thee, O *thou* / sea . that thou / fleddest * and thou Jordan, that / thou wast / driven / back?

Ye mountains, that ye / skipped like / rams * and ye little / hills, like / young / sheep?

Tremble, thou earth, at *the* / presence .of the / Lord * at the / presence . of the / God of / Jacob;

Who turned the hard rock into *a* / standing /water * and the flint-stone / into .a / springing / well.

Glory be to the Father *and* / to the / Son * and / to the / Holy / Spirit

As it was in the beginning, is now *and* / ever / shall be * world without out / end A- / – – / men.

THE PEACE

The celebrant says

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, Peace be with you. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

Alleluia! The peace of the risen Christ be always with you

and also with you. Alleluia!

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace, greeting one another with
Christ is risen.*

He is risen indeed.

Extinguish candles

THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN 116

At the end of the offertory:

Pray my brothers and sisters, that this our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father.

May the Lord receive the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and for the good of all his church.

This prayer over the gifts follows

Lord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise. As we are fed with the bread of heaven may we know your resurrection power; through Christ our risen Lord.

Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Remain standing for the Easter Preface

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The congregation now kneel and the prayer continues from Page 10 in the cream Mass book.

THE LORDS PRAYER AND PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

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GIVING OF HOLY COMMUNION

The priest says the invitation to Communion:

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Communicant members of all other Churches are most welcome to receive.

If you are not receiving communion please come up for a blessing carrying a book.

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Most Glorious Lord of Life - Harris

COMMUNION HYMN 114

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

Amen.

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give
you joy as you share the Easter faith.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

Amen.

And may almighty God bless you, the Father, ✠and the Son, and the Holy
Spirit.

Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

THANKSGIVING HYMN 345

ORGAN *Incantation pour un jour saint - Langlais*

HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

**Easter Greetings as we go forth renewed and rejoicing, to live out our
Christian faith**