



Christ Church  
Cathedral  
Ottawa

## Monday in Holy Week

March 30<sup>th</sup> | 2026

12.05 pm | Sung Eucharist | Iona

*St. Anne's Mass | James MacMillan*

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### Welcome

This weekday service offers an opportunity to pause and be still in God's presence.

Please turn off or set mobile devices to silent mode.

*Our diocese was founded on the homeland of the Anishinaabe Algonquins.*

*May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

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# Gathering

*Please gather in the choir stalls and wait in silence for the service to begin.*

## Opening Responses

We meet in the name of God, creator of the universe, source of true humanity, mother and father of us all. **Amen.**

We meet in the name of Jesus, Word made flesh, saviour of fallen humanity, lover of all. **Amen.**

We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life, midwife of new humanity, inspirer of all. **Amen.**

Come then, eternal God,  
**be present here, befriend us here, renew us here.**

## Kyrie

*Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

## Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,  
**Creator, forgive.**

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own,  
**Creator, forgive.**

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth,  
**Creator, forgive.**

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,  
**Creator, forgive.**

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee,  
**Creator, forgive.**

The lust which dishonours the bodies of human beings,  
**Creator, forgive.**

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God,  
**Creator, forgive.**

*Silence.*

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. **Amen.**

## Collect of the Day

Holy and immortal God, you bring us into being and hold our lives in your heart. May the fragrance of your love, made known to us in Christ, draw us closer to you and unite us with Christ. **Amen.**

## Proclaiming

### Reading | *Isaiah 42:1-9*

A reading from the book of Isaiah.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm | 36:5-11

*Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save both mortals and beasts, O Lord. How priceless is your love, O God! Your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings. They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, and your favour to those who are true of heart. Let not the foot of the proud come near me, nor the hand of the wicked push me aside.*

*Silence.*

## Gospel | John 12:1-11

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Silence.*

# Prayers

Let us pray.

The crippled and the blind came to Jesus in the temple and he healed them. So let us pray for those who are crippled by disease or anxiety;

*Silence.*

Let us pray for those who are crippled by a system...

*Silence.*

Let us pray for those who are blind to beauty, love and peace...

*Silence.*

Let us pray for those who are blind to what they must do now or do next...

*Silence.*

Let us pray for the church in places where it has the possibility of healing the wounds of the nations...

*Silence.*

Let us pray for ourselves, that we may discern a clear vision of your kingdom; and that we may steadily walk your path, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

# Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## Offertory Hymn | *Go to dark Gethsemane*

***Go to dark Gethsemane, ye that feel the tempter's power.  
Your Redeemer's conflict see; watch with him one bitter hour;  
turn not from his griefs away; learn of Jesus Christ to pray.***

***Follow to the judgement-hall; view the Lord of life arraigned.  
O the wormwood and the gall! O the grief his soul sustained!  
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.***

***Calvary's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet,  
mark that miracle of time – God's own sacrifice complete.  
'It is finished,' hear him cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die.***



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## Celebrating

### Prayer Over the Gifts

Ruler of all creation, your Son was anointed with costly oil in preparation for death and the grave. Receive all we offer you this day for the sake of him who died that we might live, Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### 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 God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, for you made us, and before us, you made the world we inhabit, and before the world, you made the eternal home in which, through Christ, we have a place.

All that is spectacular, all that is plain, have their origin in you; all that is lovely, all who are loving, point to you as their fulfilment.

And grateful as we are for the world we know and the universe beyond our knowing, we particularly praise you, whom eternity cannot contain, for coming to earth and entering time in Jesus.

For his life which informs our living; for his compassion which changes our hearts; for his clear speaking which contradicts our harmless generalities; for his disturbing presence, his innocent suffering, his fearless dying, his rising to life breathing forgiveness, we praise you and worship him.

Here too our gratitude rises for the promise of the Holy Spirit, who even yet, even now, confronts us with your claims and attracts us to your goodness.

Therefore we gladly join our voices to the song of the Church on earth and in heaven:  
*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

And now, lest we believe that our praise alone fulfills your purpose, we fall silent and remember him who came because words weren't enough. Setting our wisdom, our will, our words aside, emptying our hearts, and bringing nothing in our hands, we yearn for the healing, the holding, the accepting, the forgiving which Christ alone can offer.

*Silence.*

Among friends, gathered round a table, Jesus took bread; and when he had blessed it, he broke it and said, 'Take this and eat it. It is my body, given for you.'

Then later, during the meal, he took a cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he said, 'In this cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Take this, all of you, to remember me.'

Jesus, firstborn of Mary,  
**have mercy on us.**

Jesus, Saviour of the world,  
**have mercy on us.**

Jesus, monarch of heaven,  
**grant us peace.**

Merciful God, send now, in kindness, your Holy Spirit to settle upon this bread and wine and fill them with the fullness of Jesus. And let that same Spirit rest on us, converting us from the patterns of this passing world, until we conform to the shape of him whose food we now share. With full hearts, we give you thanks and praise, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

**hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil; for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread

He who has suffered for our injustices,  
**is now present in this bread.**

He whose body was hung on a cross,  
**is now offered to us in this cup.**

So take this bread and this wine.

**In them God comes to us so that we may come to God.**

## Agnus Dei

## Communion

*All are welcome to come forward. If you wish prayers for healing before receiving Communion, please carry an Order of Service with you; to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest; for a gluten-free wafer, hold out one hand; for a regular wafer, hold out two hands. Please do not dip the bread in the wine.*

**Motet** | *Tief gebückt und voller Reue (BWV 199) | J.S. Bach*

*Tief gebückt und voller Reue Lieg ich, liebster Gott, vor dir. Ich bekenne meine Schuld, Aber habe doch Geduld, Habe doch Geduld mit mir! | Deeply bowed and filled with regret I lie, dearest God, before you. I acknowledge my guilt; but only have patience, have patience yet with me!*

## Sending

## Prayer after Communion

God of our salvation, in this eucharist you have renewed us in your covenant. Help us to follow in the path of him who came to open the eyes of the blind and bring prisoners out of darkness, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In gratitude for this moment, this place, those around us, Christ among us, **we give ourselves to you, our God. Take us out to live as changed people because we have met the risen Christ and cannot be the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So, Lord, may we live to your glory both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.**

## Blessing and Dismissal

The blessing of God, sure, strong and kindly, be around you and within you, now and all the days and nights of your journey home. **Amen.**

Go now, in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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Celebrant | The Reverend Victoria Scott  
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Organist | James Calkin  
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## Holy Week and Easter Services

**Tuesday | Wednesday | March 31<sup>st</sup> | April 1<sup>st</sup>**

12.05 pm | Sung Eucharist

**Maundy Thursday | April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

12.05 pm | Contemplative Prayer

7 pm | Choral Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar

**Good Friday | April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Noon | Solemnity of the Lord's Passion

1 to 3 pm | Cathedral Open for Quiet Meditation

3 pm | Sacred Concert for Good Friday

**Holy Saturday | April 4<sup>th</sup>**

8 pm | A Vigil for Easter

**Easter Day | April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
8.30 am | Holy Eucharist  
10.30 am | Festal Eucharist

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