



DURHAM CATHEDRAL

THE SHRINE OF ST CUTHBERT

Sung Eucharist
on
The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Louis Vierne: Messe solennelle

Sunday 10 March 2024
10.00 a.m.

Welcome to Durham Cathedral

*Inspired by our saints, Cuthbert and Bede,
the mission of Durham Cathedral
is to offer everyone the opportunity
to encounter God and know God's love in Jesus Christ.*

Junior Church

Junior Church gathers in the South Transept (front of the church on the right). If you are new to the Cathedral or a visitor, your child is welcome to join us. Please take your child to the South Transept and complete a consent form with one of the leaders. You can then take a seat in the service and collect your child afterwards from the South Transept. Children stay in church for the start of our worship and then go through to the Chapter House for story-telling and craft activities and then re-join the service at the distribution of Communion when they receive a blessing.

Refreshments after the Service

Refreshments are served after this service in the Galilee Chapel at the back of the Cathedral where we are joined by worshippers arriving to attend Matins at 11.30 a.m. Do join us there.

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The Gathering

Voluntary Lamento (from Pièces de fantasie)

Louis Vierne

Please stand at the entrance of the ministers, and face the West end of the Cathedral

Introit

The Lent Prose

Choir Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us :
 for we have sinned against thee.

All **Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us :**
 for we have sinned against thee.

Cantor Sins oft committed now we lay before thee;
 with true contrition, now no more we veil them :
 grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

All **Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us :**
 for we have sinned against thee.

Hymn All ye who seek a comfort sure
 In trouble and distress,
 Whatever sorrow vex the mind,
 Or guilt the soul oppress.

Jesus, who gave himself for you
 Upon the cross to die,
 Opens to you his sacred heart;
 O to that heart draw nigh.

Ye hear how kindly he invites;
 Ye hear his words so blest —
 ‘All ye that labour come to me,
 And I will give you rest.’

O Jesus, joy of saints on high
 Thou hope of sinners here,
 Attracted by those loving words
 To thee I lift my prayer.

Wash thou my wounds in that dear blood
Which forth from thee doth flow;
New grace, new hope inspire, a new
And better heart bestow.

18th century Latin tr Edward Caswall ST BERNARD, *Adapted from a melody in*
Tochter Sion Cologne 1741

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

All **Amen.**

The Greeting *The Very Reverend Dr Philip Plyming*

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

The President welcomes the people and introduces the service

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon 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 is kept

All **Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

President The almighty and merciful God
 grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,
 time for amendment of life,
 and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

During the Kyrie which follows, Junior Church collects a cross from the Altar and processes to the Chapter House

Kyrie eleison

sung by the Choir

Kyrie eleison.	<i>Lord, have mercy upon us.</i>
Christe eleison.	<i>Christ, have mercy upon us.</i>
Kyrie eleison.	<i>Lord, have mercy upon us.</i>

The Collect

President Let us pray.

Silence is kept

President Merciful Lord,
 absolve your people from their offences,
 that through your bountiful goodness
 we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins
 which by our frailty we have committed;
 grant this, heavenly Father,
 for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please sit

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Numbers 21: 4-9

A reading from the Book of Numbers

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

All For the word of the Lord
thanks be to God.

Please stand and turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it is processed into the Nave

The Gospel

John 3: 14-21

Choir Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

All



Choir The Lord is a great God,
O that today you would listen to his voice.
Harden not your hearts.

All



Deacon

The Lord be with you

All

and also with you.

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



Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please sit after the Preacher's prayer

Sermon

The Reverend Canon Michael Hampel

Please stand as the President approaches the Altar to say the Creed

The Creed

All

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

President In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ
let us pray to the Father.

Please kneel or sit

After each petition:

All Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

At the end:

President God our Father, in your love and goodness
you have taught us to come close to you in penitence
with prayer, fasting and generosity;
accept our Lenten discipline,
and when we fall by our weakness,
raise us up by your unfailing mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace

President Lord Jesus Christ,
who said to your apostles,
'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you':
look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church
and grant it the peace and unity of your kingdom.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

If you wish, please exchange a sign of peace with those near to you

Hymn And now, O Father, mindful of the love
That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
And having with us him that pleads above,
We here present, we here spread forth to thee
That only offering perfect in thine eyes,
The one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
And only look on us as found in him;
Look not on our misusings of thy grace,
Our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
For lo, between our sins and their reward
We set the Passion of thy Son, our Lord.

And so we come: O draw us to thy feet,
Most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
And by this food, so awful and so sweet,
Deliver us from every touch of ill:
In thine own service make us glad and free,
And grant us never more to part from thee.

William Bright

UNDE ET MEMORES, W.H. Monk

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

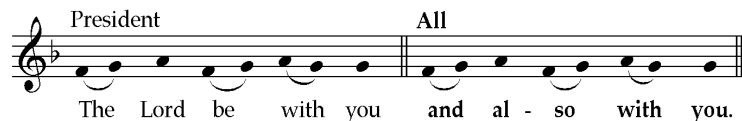
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

God of mercy and compassion,
your Word calls us home to faith and love,
accept all we offer you this day;
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer C



President It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days
 you lead us into the desert of repentance
 that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline
 we may grow in grace
 and learn to be your people once again.
 Through fasting, prayer and acts of service
 you bring us back to your generous heart.
 Through study of your holy word
 you open our eyes to your presence in the world
 and free our hands to welcome others
 into the radiant splendour of your love.
 As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast
 with joyful hearts and minds
 we bless you for your mercy
 and join with saints and angels
 for ever praising you and saying:

Choir	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
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President	All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.
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Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,
and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
we receiving these gifts of your creation,
this bread and this wine,
according to your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,
in remembrance of his death and passion,
may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
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.

In the same way,
after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Deacon Jesus Christ is Lord:
All Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.

President Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father,
in remembrance of the precious death and passion,
the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension
of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
we offer you through him
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.
Grant that by his merits and death,
and through faith in his blood,
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins
and all other benefits of his passion.

Although we are unworthy,
through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice,
yet we pray that you will accept this
the duty and service that we owe.
Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences,
and fill us all who share in this holy communion
with your 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 yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

President 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

President 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.**

Giving of Communion

President Jesus is 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 to receive you,
 but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Please sit down and then follow the directions of the vergers to form a line to receive Holy Communion. There is one station at the front of the Nave and one station at the rear. Please hold your hands out so that the clergy may place the host into your hand. After you have received you may receive from the chalice if you wish, or simply return to your seats via the side aisles. Gluten-free wafers are available at both stations.

All those who are members of a Christian church of any denomination are welcome to receive Communion. If this is not part of your tradition or you are not sure, you are nevertheless welcome to receive a blessing at the communion station from the priest there. In this case, you should move forward with the communicants and bow your head as an indication to the priest that you wish to receive a blessing.

Agnus Dei

sung by the Choir

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

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

Junior Church returns to receive Communion or a blessing

Motet

Tantum ergo sacramentum

sung by the Choir

Tantum ergo sacramentum
Veneremur cernui:
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui:
Praestet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

*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 inward vision clear.*

Genitori genitoque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio:
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

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

*St Thomas Aquinas,
translated by John Mason Neale*

Déodat de Séverac

After all have received Holy Communion, please stand as the President approaches the Altar

Prayer after Communion

President Let us pray.

Silence is kept

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour
gave his back to the smiters
and did not hide his face from shame:
give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time
with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

**All Almighty and everlasting God,
you hate nothing that you have made
and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:
create and make in us new and contrite hearts,**

that we, worthily lamenting our sins
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may receive from you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Dismissal

President The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

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.
All Amen.

Choir Go in the peace of Christ.

All 
Thanks be to God.

Hymn Be thou my guardian and my guide,
 And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,
 And hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
 Around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
 Thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin,
 And outward things are strong,
Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
 And save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray,
And feel that I am frail;
That if the tempter cross my way,
Yet he may not prevail.

Isaac Williams

ABRIDGE, Isaac Smith

Voluntary Prélude (from Symphony No. 4)

Louis Vierne

Please join us for refreshments in the Galilee Chapel after the service: everyone is welcome.

Matins is sung in the Quire at 11.30 a.m., and Evensong is sung in the Quire at 3.30 p.m., after which the fourth of our Lent Talks will be given by The Right Reverend Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop of Newcastle.

At 5.15 p.m. today, a recital of music for organ and clarinet is given by Joseph Beech and Simon Lee in aid of Durham Cathedral Choir Association. The recital is unticketed and there is a retiring collection.

The Canon Pastor is presiding and preaching at Holy Trinity Wingate and All Saints Wheatley Hill this morning and the Minor Canon is presiding and preaching at St Nicholas with Christ Church, Dunston.

Daily services this week

*At 8.30 a.m., **Morning Prayer** (live-streamed) is said in the Feretory from Monday to Saturday.*

*At 12.30 p.m., **Holy Communion** is celebrated each weekday in the North Transept (in the Feretory on Tuesday). These services are not live-streamed.*

*At 5.30 p.m., **Evening Prayer** is said in the Quire on Monday and **Evensong** is sung in the Quire from Tuesday to Thursday (live-streamed Monday to Thursday). Special arrangements in place for St Cuthbert on Friday and Saturday. See over.*

Compline is said on Monday at 8.45 p.m. (live-streamed only).

*Next Sunday—The Fifth Sunday of Lent: **Holy Communion** (BCP) is celebrated at 8.00 a.m., the **Sung Eucharist** is celebrated at 10.00 a.m., **Matins** is sung in the Quire at 11.30 a.m., and **Evensong** is sung in the Quire at 3.30 p.m., which is followed by the fifth in our series of Lent Talks (see overleaf for details).*

Student Evensong

Students are welcome to attend Evensong any time but we extend a particular welcome to students at Evensong on Tuesdays. After the service we will offer food and drink with a chance to engage with each other and with the cathedral clergy in a variety of locations and occasionally with other activities too. Evensong on Tuesday starts at 5.30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes. Food will be served in the Prior's Hall at 6.15 p.m. and people will be free to go any time. For those who want to stay, especially those who are preparing for Baptism and/or Confirmation, at 7.15 p.m. we will offer a short study session in the Solarium on a key area of Christian faith.

Celebrating St Cuthbert 2024

We are looking forward to celebrating St Cuthbert, our patron saint whose shrine church this is. We will sing a special service of Evensong with a Procession to the Shrine on **Friday 15 March at 6.00 p.m.** The service is sung by Durham Cathedral Choir and the preacher is the Dean of Durham, the Very Reverend Dr Philip Plyming. We very much hope you will be with us on this special day which epitomises so much of what Durham Cathedral stands for. Please bring guests with you too. All congregational seating is unreserved. The service will last about one hour and drinks will be served in the Cloisters afterwards. On **Saturday 16 March**, during the day, there will be family activities in the Cathedral on the theme of St Cuthbert. There will also be a pilgrimage from St Mary's and St Cuthbert's Church, Chester-le-Street, starting at 10.00 a.m. Pilgrims may prefer to join the pilgrimage from Finchale Priory at 1.15 p.m. You can get to Chester-le-Street by train or Finchale Priory by bus from Durham County Hall which will leave County Hall at 12.30 p.m. (Cars may be parked at County Hall free of charge that day.) The bus to Finchale costs £6 and can be booked here:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/finchale-camino-annual-pilgrimage-2024-tickets-803085509377

And, at 4.00 p.m., there will be a celebration of the Eucharist in honour of St Cuthbert sung by Durham Cathedral Choir and Newcastle Cathedral Choir at which the preacher is the new Dean of Newcastle, the Very Reverend Lee Batson. You are welcome to attend and sit in the congregation. Seats are free for all and you don't need to tell us if you are coming.

Lent Talks 2024: The Practice of Prayer

This Lent, you are warmly invited to Durham Cathedral as we host a series of talks around the theme of the practice of prayer. Each talk will be given by an expert in their field who will explore a different aspect of prayer, concluding with a short time of prayer on that theme.

The talks will connect a biblical passage or theme with both contemporary culture and the practice of prayer. The talks will be accessible to those exploring faith as well as those who are more experienced in prayer. All are welcome.

18 February: *Looking in the Mirror: Prayer and Self-Reflection*

The Very Reverend Dr Philip Plyming, Dean of Durham

25 February: *Loving It: Prayer and Desire*

Canon Dr Jocelyn Bryan, Lecturer in Psychology and Christian Ministry

3 March: *Wising Up: Prayer and Study*

The Reverend Canon Professor Simon Oliver,

Van Mildert Professor of Divinity

10 March: *Denying our Bodies?: Prayer and Lifestyle*

The Right Reverend Dr Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop of Newcastle

17 March (Passion Sunday): *Owning Up: Prayer and Penitence*

The Venerable Bob Cooper, Archdeacon of Sunderland

24 March (Palm Sunday): *Keeping Quiet: Prayer and Silence*

The Right Reverend Sarah Clark, Bishop of Jarrow

Where and when: 4.30 p.m. — 5.00 p.m., the Quire, Durham Cathedral (entry via the main door). The talks will follow on from Evensong which starts at 3.30 p.m.; however, all are welcome whether or not you attend Evensong. The talks are free and no tickets are required.

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