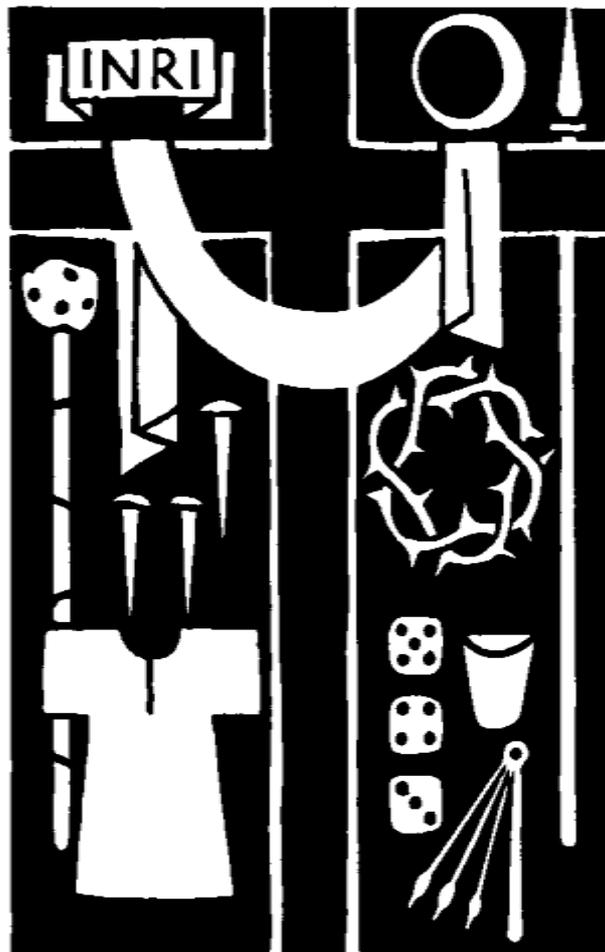


The Parish Church of St. George the Martyr,
Waterlooville



The Liturgy of Good Friday

(Please do not take this booklet away with you)

The ministers enter in silence.

The congregation are invited to kneel or sit for a period of silent prayer.

The priest prays the Opening Prayer

Almighty Father,
look with mercy on this your family
for which the Lord Jesus Christ
was content to be betrayed
and given up into the hands of wicked men
and to suffer death upon the cross;
who is alive and glorified
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

FirstReading: A reading from the prophet Isaiah (52:12-53)

The Lord says: See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him, so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals, so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate. Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their face he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken,

struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 22 (tune 354)

My God, My God, to you I cry,
O why have you forsaken me?
Why are you far from giving help,
and from my agonizing plea?
All day, my God, I cry in vain;
by night, yet no relief I gain.

But still you are the Holy One;
on Israel's praise you are enthroned.
Our fathers put their trust in you;

you saved them when to you they groaned.
To you they cried, and rescue came;
They trusted and were free from shame.

Reproached of men, by all despised,
a worm, and not a man am I.
All they who see me laugh in scorn;
they shake their heads and taunting, cry:
He trusts the Lord! Let him defend
and save him, if he is his friend.

You brought me safely from the womb,
gave faith when on my mother's breast,
since birth entrusted to your care.
You've been my God, in you I rest.
Be not far off for grief is near;
no other helper will appear.

Second Reading: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (10:12-22)

Christ offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, then “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Hymn: 95

We remain standing or sit for the Passion Gospel

The Homily

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE CROSS

The choir sing an anthem as the cross is brought forward

Those who wish to venerate the cross are then invited forward.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The response to the words ‘Lord, hear us’ is ‘Lord, graciously hear us.’

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The altar is covered with a fair linen cloth and the elements consecrated on Maundy Thursday are placed on the altar in silence.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom in the words our Saviour gave 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.

Priest: 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**

Communion is received in one kind only

Hymn: 83

A brief period of silence is kept.

*The service concludes with the following prayer (No blessing or
dismissal is added)*

Priest: Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your
Son, Jesus Christ, delivered and saved humankind. Grant that by faith
in him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of his
victory. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The ministers depart in silence.

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