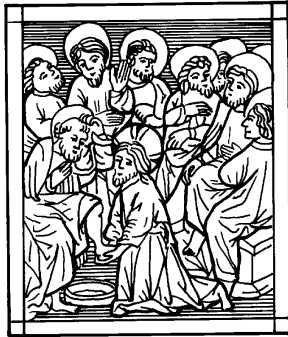




PALM SUNDAY, 16 March, at 7:00 AM, 8:45 AM, and 11:00 AM: The Liturgy of the Palms, the Passion Narrative, and Holy Eucharist. At 8:45 AM the children will join in the triumphant palm procession around the church, as we re-enact the jubilant entry of Jesus into the Holy City of Jerusalem. The children will proceed to Children's Chapel, where they will participate in a moving tableaux re-enactment of the events of Holy Week. This day is also called Passion Sunday, because our joy is turned to sorrow as the Gospel recounts our Lord's suffering and death.

PLEASE NOTE that 7:00 AM is the time of our early service on both Palm Sunday (16 March) and Easter Day (23 March). If you usually attend the 7:30 AM service on Sundays, please remember this earlier starting time.

PLEASE NOTE that 9:00 AM mass will begin at 8:45 AM on Palm Sunday only.



MAUNDY THURSDAY (20 March) takes its name from the Latin mandatum, for new commandment, which Jesus gave on that night: "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 13). Holy Communion will be at 10:00 AM and 7:30 PM. The liturgy on this day recalls the Last Supper of Jesus with the disciples and the institution of the sacrament of Holy Communion. At the evening service, which begins the Paschal Triduum, we will commemorate his humble act of service in washing the disciples' feet. At the conclusion of the 7:30 Eucharist, the Blessed Sacrament is taken to the Altar of Repose in the Sarah Oster Chapel, where an all-night prayer vigil will be maintained. As the choir sings Psalm 22, the Stripping of the Altars in the church takes place in darkness and leaves the sanctuaries empty and bare, symbolizing the desertion of Jesus by his followers. This practice began as a way to prepare the altars for Easter. The washing of the altar is also for this purpose. The service concludes with the Biblical account of our Lord's betrayal and arrest.

GOOD FRIDAY worship begins with Stations of the Cross at 7:30 AM (on Main Street). The Mass of the Pre-Sanctified will be at 10:00 AM, when we receive the Sacrament previously consecrated on Maundy Thursday.



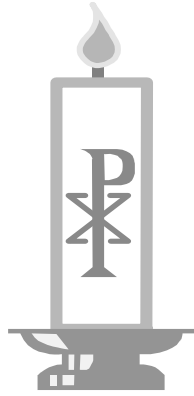
From 12:00 noon 'til 3:00 PM the traditional Three Hour Service will include the Good Friday Liturgy with singing of the passion and meditations by the parish clergy, Mass of the pre-Sanctified, and Veneration of the Cross. You are encouraged to come at noon and remain for the entire three hours at the foot of the cross.

There are four postures that Christians use when they are praying. The first three are well known to Anglicans. They are standing, sitting, and kneeling. The fourth, prostration, is less well known because it is used so infrequently. Prostration is literally lying down full length, face down on the floor. It is the most penitential posture for prayer. At a service for ordination the ordinand often prostrates himself during the litany. The other time that prostration is customary is on Good Friday. On that day, as the clergy enter, they will prostrate themselves before the altar on this most penitential of all days of the year. The congregation kneels while the clergy prostrate.

The Good Friday liturgy dates back to the Fourth Century, when the pilgrim Egeria made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem and encountered this liturgy which centered around the actual locations of the passion, death, and resurrection of our Lord. One aspect of this early Good Friday liturgy was the veneration of the true cross, which had been discovered earlier in the century by St. Helena, mother of the Emperor Constantine. The cross was brought out for worshipers to venerate. Each worshiper was given the opportunity to come forward to the cross to make acts of devotion at the foot of the cross. The veneration of the cross in our Good Friday liturgy is based upon this ancient practice. As was done in the Fourth Century, and has been done ever since in various portions of Christendom, worshipers at the Church of the Redeemer will be given the opportunity during this portion of the liturgy to come forward and make acts of devotion at the foot of our representation of the cross of Christ.

Sacramental confessions will be heard from 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

Confessions:	3:30 - 4:00 (High Altar)	Fr. Robinson	4:00 - 4:30 (High Altar)	Fr. Scalisi
	3:30 - 4:00 (Chapel)	Fr. Marsden	4:00 - 4:30 (Chapel)	Fr. Saunders

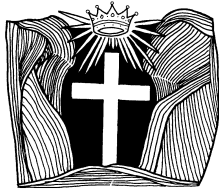


THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER is the most significant liturgy of the entire year. Just as the Jewish Passover recalls the Exodus from Egypt and entry into the Promised Land, so our Great Vigil recalls our deliverance through baptism from the old life of sin and the entrance into the promised land of the Kingdom of God through the resurrection of Christ. The Great Vigil celebration dates back to New Testament times and was clearly central to the life of the early Christian Church.

As we re-live this ancient liturgy, we remember the experience of the millions of faithful Christians who have gone before us. In vigil, like them, we listen to scriptural reading and instruction. After this preparation, like them, we bless water and baptize converts to the faith, listening to their profession of faith in the form of the Apostles' Creed and renewing our own baptismal covenant. Finally, like them, we participate in the first celebration of the Easter Eucharist as we proclaim the Resurrection shout, "Alleluia! Christ is risen!"

The Great Vigil of Easter begins in darkness, and the light slowly engulfs the congregation. Old Testament prophecies, New Testament baptismal liturgy, and the Holy Eucharist, all point us toward the Light of the World.

In the Great Vigil of Easter we celebrate the major events of our Old and New Testament heritage, the passover of the Hebrews from bondage to freedom, the passover of our Lord from death to life, and our passover from sin and death to life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Don't miss this highlight of the church year.



The Great Vigil of Easter begins at 8:00 PM on Saturday, 22 March, with the lighting of the Paschal Candle. It is important to be prompt for this Vigil, which enables all to capture the significance of the darkness being made light. Because this is our primary and most important liturgy, we urge all of our parishioners to join us in celebrating the Great Vigil of Easter and Holy Eucharist on Saturday night.

An Agape feast will follow in Gillespie Hall. Please join us!

EASTER DAY FESTIVAL EUCHARISTS ARE AT 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, and 11:00 AM.

BRING A BELL of some sort if you attend either the Easter Eve Vigil at 8:00 PM or the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM services on Easter Day. At those services, we all will ring out the joyous Easter proclamation at the time of the singing of the GLORIA. If you don't have a bell, bring a ring of keys to jingle.



AN EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPE for your gift in thanksgiving for the Resurrection of our Lord is included with the pledge envelopes. For those who do not have pledge envelopes, Easter offering envelopes are available in the narthex. This special offering is a major item of our income for operating expenses. Thank you for your generosity.

NURSERY CARE IS PROVIDED

for each of the following services:

Palm Sunday - 8:45 AM & 11:00 AM

Easter Day - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM