



## **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022**

**11.00am**

**The Fifth Sunday in Lent:  
Passion Sunday**

*Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast. We respectfully ask you to wear a face covering when inside the building during the service, especially when singing the hymns. Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens.*



# **INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION**

Baptised members of Christian churches are welcome to join in this Eucharist.

It is the Lord's table and this invitation is given in his name.

The Eucharist will be celebrated and distributed in accordance with Covid precautions as laid down by the Church of Ireland.

Seating is by alternate rows. Please keep 0.5m social distance at all times and continue wearing your face covering until you return to your seat.

If you wish to receive communion, please move to the Quire Steps when directed by the cathedral wardens. Those seated on the North (left) side of the Nave will move first, then those seated on the South (right) side afterwards.

When you approach the clergy you will receive the wafer bread, which you should consume immediately. There are tables on the north and south aisles where you will receive the wine in individual cups. Please approach the table on the side on which you are seated. Empty cups should be placed in the basin provided.

Please indicate if you require a gluten-free wafer, or if you require Communion to be brought to your seat.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, please indicate by crossing your arms across your chest.

## **Post-service Refreshments**

Once you are guided by the cathedral wardens, you may wish to collect a coffee or tea from the West End of the Cathedral.

**PLEASE DO NOT CONGREGATE AROUND THE SERVING TABLES.**

Thank you.

*Please do not make video recordings or take photographs during the service*

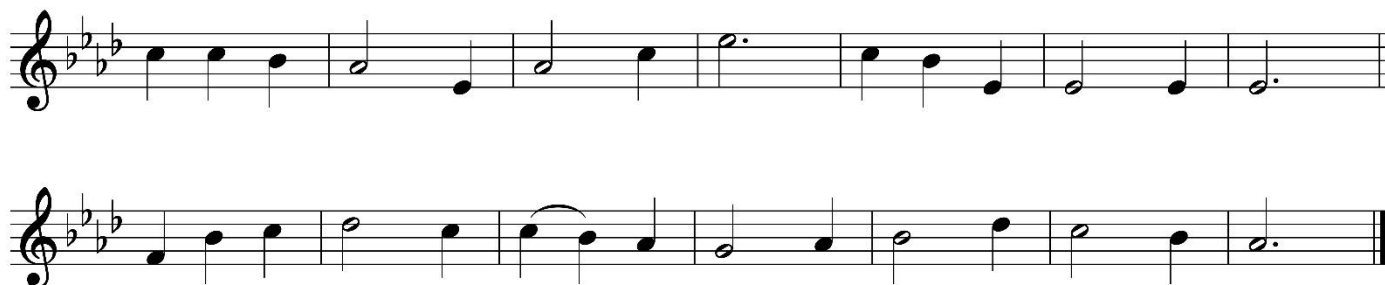
**Organ Prelude:** Fantasy on 'Aus der Tiefe', Op. 72, no. 2 *Kenneth Leighton*  
(1929-88)



**THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**



Please stand to sing **HYMN 108\***:



**Praise to the Holiest in the height,  
and in the depth be praise;  
in all his words most wonderful,  
most sure in all his ways.**

**O loving wisdom of our God!  
When all was sin and shame,  
a second Adam to the fight  
and to the rescue came.**

**O generous love! that he who smote  
in Man, for man, the foe,  
the double agony in Man,  
for man, should undergo;**

**and in the garden secretly,  
and on the cross on high,  
should teach his brethren, and inspire  
to suffer and to die.**

*Words: John Henry Newman (1801-90) from 'The Dream of Gerontius'  
Tune NEH 439 (1): GERONTIUS, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-76)*

Please sit as the Dean welcomes the congregation

Please stand for **THE GREETING**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Jesus said: 'For their sake I consecrate myself, that they too may be consecrated by the truth.' *John 17:19*

## **PENITENCE**

Hear these commandments which God has given to his people, and take them to heart:

I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD: YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER GODS BUT ME.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind and with all your strength. *Matthew 22:37*

YOU SHALL NOT MAKE FOR YOURSELF ANY IDOL.

God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth. *John 4:24*

YOU SHALL NOT DISHONOUR THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD.

You shall worship him with reverence and awe. *Hebrews 12:28*

REMEMBER THE LORD'S DAY, AND KEEP IT HOLY.

Christ is risen from the dead: set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth. *Colossians 3:1, 2*

**Lord, have mercy on us, and write these your laws in our hearts.**

HONOUR YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER.

Live as servants of God, honour all people, love your brothers and sisters in Christ. *1 Peter 2:16*

YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT MURDER.

Be reconciled to your brother and sister: overcome evil with good. *Matthew 5:24, Romans 13:21*

YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY.

Know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit. *1 Corinthians 6:19*

YOU SHALL NOT STEAL.

Be honest in all that you do and care for those in need. *Ephesians 4:28*

YOU SHALL NOT BE A FALSE WITNESS.

Let everyone speak the truth. *Ephesians 4: 25*

YOU SHALL NOT COVET ANYTHING WHICH BELONGS TO YOUR NEIGHBOUR.

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus: It is more blessed to give than to receive. Love your neighbour as yourself, for love is the fulfilling of the law. *Acts 20:35, Romans 13:9, 10*

**Lord, have mercy on us, and write all these your laws in our hearts.**

*Please kneel or sit whilst the choir sings the* **KYRIE:**

Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy.*

Christe eleison.

*Christ, have mercy.*

Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy.*

*Setting: Missa Brevis, Sir Lennox Berkeley (1903-89)*

Almighty God, **our heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may walk in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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 our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE LENT COLLECT**

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.**



### **PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD**



*Please sit for the* **EPISTLE READING:** Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain seated as the choir sings* **PSALM 126:**

When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion:  
then were we like unto them that dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter:  
and our tongue with joy.

Then said they among the heathen:  
The Lord hath done great things for them.

Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already:  
whereof we rejoice.

Turn our captivity, O Lord:  
as the rivers in the south.

They that sow in tears:  
shall reap in joy.

He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed:  
shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

*Please stand for the* **GLORIA:**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

*Tone IV*

*Please remain standing to sing the* **ACCLAMATION:**

*1st time: Cantor*

*2nd time: All*

*Versé: Cantor*

*Repeat: All*



Praise to you, O Christ.. King of e - ter - nal glo - ry.  
Seek good and not evil, that you may live: and so the Lord, the God of hosts,  
will be with you. *Amos 5:14*

*Please remain standing for* **THE GOSPEL READING:** John 12:1-8

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



Glo - ry to you, Lord, Je - sus 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**SERMON** by the Reverend Canon Mark Niblock, Dean's Vicar

Please stand and face east to say the **NICENE CREED**:

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 by the Holy Spirit of 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.**



## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



*Please kneel or sit*

Let us pray in reverent faith for the Church and the world.

Grant that the Church, anointed with the oil of gladness in the faith of her Lord, may ever honour his majesty and proclaim his saving love. May we so meditate upon Christ's Passion that we may live worthily of the redemption which he brought.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the people of this world with the spirit of generosity, not to count the cost of compassion but to give freely in love to those in greatest need. We pray that those who perform the works of mercy shall be upheld and strengthened. Grant to world leaders the humility to seek the ways of peace.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give grace to us, our families, friends and neighbours, to enter this Passiontide with love for one another and repentance for our sins. Bless all who live or work in this community with the spirit of service and mutual care.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on the poor and neglected, those entrapped by debt or torn apart by conflict, and those seeking refuge in other places. Lead back into the right way those who have fallen into dishonesty and betrayed the trust that was placed in them.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for the faithful departed who have lived with Christ and followed him in death. May they be anointed with the precious ointment of eternal life. May we so live in this world that our lives shall be a preparation for a holy death.

Merciful Father, **accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.



Please stand for **THE PEACE**

Now in union with Christ Jesus you who were once far off have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood; for he is our peace. *Ephesians 2:17*

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

Please remain standing to sing **HYMN 444:**



**Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,  
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,  
wash me with water flowing from thy side.**

**Strength and protection may thy passion be,  
O blessèd Jesu, hear and answer me;  
deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,  
so shall I never, never part from thee.**

**Guard and defend me from the foe malign,  
in death's dread moments make me only thine;  
call me, and bid me come to thee on high,  
where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.**

*Words: 14th-century Latin tr. Anon.  
Tune ICH 418(ii): ST AGNES James Langran (1835-1909)*



**CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE**



Please remain standing

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life, and the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

**THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us,  
**therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

The Lord\_\_\_ is here. His spi - rit is with\_\_\_ us.

Lift\_\_\_\_\_ up your\_\_\_ hearts.\_\_\_\_ We lift them to\_\_\_ the Lord.\_\_\_\_

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.\_\_\_\_

Father, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

Through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who, for the redemption of the world, humbled himself to death on the cross; that, being lifted up from the earth, he might draw all people to himself:

And so with all your people, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

*The choir sings the* **SANCTUS** *and* **BENEDICTUS**:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.

Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Lord God of Hosts.*

*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.*

*Setting: Missa Brevis, Sir Lennox Berkeley (1903-89)*

Blessed are you, Father, the creator and sustainer of all things; you made us in your own image, male and female you created us; even when we turned away from you, you never ceased to care for us, but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin, giving your only begotten Son to become man and suffer death on the cross to redeem us;

he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice 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:

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, 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 when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for 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.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son commanded: **we remember his passion and death, we celebrate his resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

**Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him:**

**Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Please kneel or sit*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**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**

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Remember that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Please remain seated whilst the choir sings the* **AGNUS DEI:**

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 sins of the world, have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

*Setting: Missa Brevis, Sir Lennox Berkeley (1903-89)*

## THE COMMUNION

*Please observe the guidance of the Church Wardens and follow the directions as printed at the beginning of this order of service*

**Organ music:** Aus der Tiefe rufe ich C.P.E. Bach (1714-88)

*During communion the choir sings the **ANTHEM:***

Alone to sacrifice thou goest, Lord,  
Giving thyself to Death whom thou hast slain.  
For us thy wretched folk is any word?  
Who know that for our sins this is thy pain?

For they are ours, O Lord, our deeds,  
Why must thou suffer torture for our sin?  
Let our hearts suffer in thy Passion, Lord,  
That very suffering may thy mercy win.

This is the night of tears, the three days' space,  
Sorrow abiding of the eventide,  
Until the day break with the risen Christ,  
And hearts that sorrowed shall be satisfied.

So may our hearts share in thine anguish, Lord,  
That they may sharers of thy glory be;  
Heavy with weeping may the three days pass,  
To win the laughter of thine Easter Day.

*Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142) tr. Helen Waddell (1889-1965)*

*Music: Kenneth Leighton (1929-88)*

## THE GREAT SILENCE

*When all have received communion, the presiding minister, other ministers and people keep silence for reflection*



**GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE**



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of hope, in this eucharist we have tasted the promise of your heavenly banquet and the richness of eternal life. May we who bear witness to the death of your Son, also proclaim the glory of his resurrection, for he is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

Please stand to sing **HYMN 225\***:



**In the cross of Christ I glory,  
towering o'er the wrecks of time;  
all the light of sacred story  
gathers round its head sublime.**

**Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,  
by the cross are sanctified;  
peace is there that knows no measure,  
joys that through all time abide.**

*Words: John Bowring (1792-1872) based on Galatians 6:14  
Tune NEH 179: GOTT WILL'S MACHEN J.L. Steiner (1688-1761) pub. Zurich (1735)*

### **THE BLESSING**

Christ draw you to himself and grant that you find in his cross a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Organ Postlude: Allegro Vivace (5e Symphonie) Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)**

**Holy Week Services from Monday 11th April to Easter Day  
listed overleaf.**

*Please remain in your place until the Churchwardens direct you to move  
Thank you*

## **BELFAST CATHEDRAL HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2022**

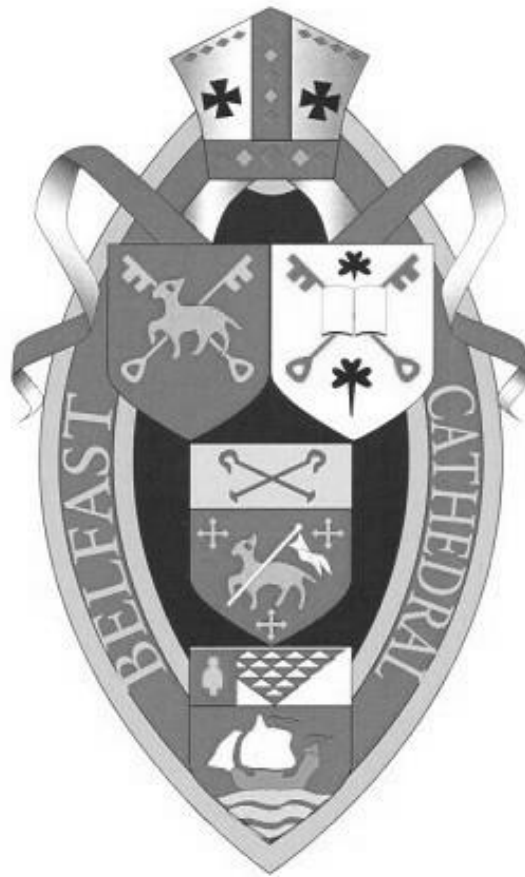
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>1pm Lunchtime Reflective Service</b> Chapel of Unity, followed by coffee / tea
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>1pm Lunchtime Reflective Service</b> Chapel of Unity, followed by coffee / tea
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>1pm Lunchtime Holy Communion</b> Chapel of Unity, followed by coffee / tea
<b>Maundy Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>7.30pm Choral Eucharist with a Washing of Feet, followed by the Stripping of the Altar in preparation for Good Friday</b>
<b>Good Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>12 noon to 3.00pm Three Hour Service reflecting on The Seven Words from the Cross. <i>Preacher: The Rt Revd George Davison Bishop of Connor</i></b>  <b>7.30pm A Service for Good Friday evening with the Cathedral Choir, including “The Reproaches”</b>
<b>Holy Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b><u>8.00pm</u> Choral Vigil Service with the Lighting of the Easter Flame and First Communion of Easter</b>
<b>EASTER SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>11.00am Festival Choral Eucharist for Easter Morning</b>  <b>3.30pm Festival Choral Evensong for Easter Day</b>

As you leave, please remember to make your Free Will Offering contribution to support the ongoing work and life of Belfast Cathedral, or give via online banking to:

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## NOTICES



Please avail of refreshments, following the directions at the beginning of this order of service. We are appealing for volunteers to assist with providing refreshments on rotation, please consider signing up for this if you are able.

Please join us this afternoon at 3.30pm for Choral Evensong:

*Desmond Ratcliffe Reflection on the Passion Chorale*

*Ayleward Preces and Responses*

Psalm 18, vv 1-6 (chant by Goss)

*Walmisley Evening Service in D minor*

*Stainer God so loved the world*

*Finzi Prelude*

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022: Palm Sunday**

11.00am Choral Eucharist

with the reading of the Passion according to St Luke

No 3.30pm Service

**5-6pm Palm Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> April**

**At Belfast Cathedral**

**A Concert Performance of Philip Wilby's St Matthew Passion  
("An English Passion")**

Featuring Belfast Cathedral Choir  
and the Belfast Cathedral Children's Choir.

Tickets £10 (Under 16s free)

To purchase tickets, go on-line to

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Full Details at: [www.belfastcathedral.org/events](http://www.belfastcathedral.org/events)

### **Lent Black Santa Appeal**

On the Wednesdays of Lent the Dean has been donning the Black Santa mantle and standing at the cathedral steps between noon and 3.00pm in aid of the Ukraine Refugee crisis.

Over has been £46,000 raised to date.

Please donate in person, or on-line at [www.belfastblacksanta.org](http://www.belfastblacksanta.org)