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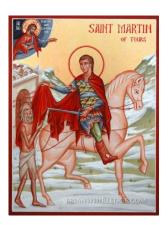
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> S Martin's Day November 11th 2025



19.00 THE PARISH MASS

We welcome Fr Thomas Cotterill SSC as our preacher this evening.

Opening Hymn 745 + 2verses

To God be the glory! Great things he has done So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, Who yielded his life an atonement for sin And opened the life-gate that all might go in. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear his voice; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice.

O come to the Father through Jesus his Son And give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, To every believer the promise of God! For every offender who truly believes That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *R*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son: But purer and higher and greater will be Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see. *R*

The Church is surrounded by storm clouds today, And many have wandered down heresy's way; But firmly we hold to the faith we received And know its in Jesus that we have believed. *R*

And so we acclaim him our King and our Lord Who here, on the throne of his altar adored, Has shared his new life so that we all might live And go out to others his love now to give. *R*

- V: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ¥ and of the Holy Spirit.
- R: Amen.
- V: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- R: And with your spirit.

The Celebrant introduces the celebration.

- V: Lord have mercy.
- R Lord have mercy.
- V: Christ have mercy.
- R Christ have mercy.
- V: Lord have mercy.
- R Lord have mercy.
- V: May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.
- R Amen.

The Gloria

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.

To him be glory for ever.

To him be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen.

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father.

Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father.

To him be glory for ever.

To him be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen.

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit.

To him be glory for ever.

To him be glory for ever.

Alleluia, amen.

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen,

Alleluia, amen.

The Collect

O God, who are glorified in the Bishop Saint Martin both by his life and death, make new, we pray, the wonders of your grace in our hearts, that neither death nor life may separate us from your love.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

Amen

First Reading (Ref Is 61:1-3a)

'The Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.'

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor;
he has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
to grant to those who mourn in Sion —
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,

the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit.

V. The Word of the Lord.R Thanks be to God.

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Responsorial Psalm

R. I will sing for ever of your mercies, O Lord.

I will sing for ever of your mercies, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your fidelity. I have declared your mercy is established for ever; your fidelity stands firm as the heavens. *R*

'With my chosen one I have made a covenant; I have sworn to David my servant: I will establish your descendants for ever, and set up your throne through all ages.' *R*

'I have found my servant David, and with my holy oil anointed him. My hand shall always be with him, and my arm shall make him strong.' **R**

'My mercy and my faithfulness shall be with him; by my name his might shall be exalted. He will call out to me, "You are my father, my God, the rock of my salvation". ' R

Second Reading (Ref: 1 Thess. 2: 2b – 8)

"We were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves."

A reading from the first letter of S Paul to the Thessalonians

Brothers and Sisters: we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the midst of much conflict. For our appeal does not spring from error or impurity or any attempt to deceive, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts. For we never came with words of flattery, as you know, nor with a pretext for greed—God is witness. Nor did we seek glory from people, whether from you or from others, though we could have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children. So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

- V. The Word of the Lord
- R. Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

Halle, halle, halleluia! Halle, halle, halleluia! Halle, halle, halleluia! Halle, halle, halleluia! (X3)

Gospel (Ref: Matt 25: 34-40)

'As you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

- V. The Lord be with you
- R. And with your spirit.
- V A reading ₩ from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Matthew

R Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." Then the righteous will answer him, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?" And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it to me."

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Halle, halle, halleluia! Halle, halle, halleluia! Halle, halle, halleluia! Halle, halle, halleluia!

Please sit for the Address and then stand for the Creed and Prayer of the Faithful

The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I 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 adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

The Prayer of the Faithful

Let us pray to the Lord. V. R. Lord, hear our prayer

Those in Need:

Fr Keith, Pete Boyes, Diane Burrell, Valerie Clarke, Elle Deveson, Denise Edmunds, Emily Glass, Sue Korth, Maureen Lawrence, Pete Mac, Jen and Jez McAteer,

Jo Rees-Davies, Terry Roberts, Chris Swetman, Julie Swetman, Dorothy Valder, Alex, Amy, Christine, John, Rachel, Ray, Rita, Timothy,

The Recent Departed:

Year's Mind:

(11) Olga Assenmacher, William Moulsell, Victor Paine, Anthony Keeley

Offertory Hymn

Sing we of the great St Martin On this festal day Who in everlasting glory Lives and reigns for aye.

R Martin lowly, Saint most holy Pray for us thy children

Mighty deeds of noble daring Had Saint Martin done, Ere he stood before his Master, And the Crown had won. **R**

See him in his youth so tender; Holy child was he' Nought of pride or cruel boasting, All humility. **R**

Soldier he, with fond compassion, To the beggar spoke; Drew his sword, and rent asunder, Gave him half his cloak *R*

Christ the riven garment wearing, Crowned his charity: "What thou didst to this poor mortal, Thou hast done to Me" *R*

Mighty stood he in the battle, Valiant in the fight; Trusting not in sword or armour But in Jesu's might. *R*

He the robbers met unflinching, With a strength divine; Good Saint Martin quell'd their fury By the Sacred Sign. **R**

Then, by prayer, and fast, and vigil, In monastic cell, Martin, filled with grace and virtue, Wore his mitre well. *R*

Wondrous words had Martin spoken, Kindly deeds had done, So the sinful, faint, and falt'ring, To the cross he won. **R**

When at last his Saviour call'd him To receive his crown, Then the soldier Saint, rejoicing, Laid his long life down. *R*

Now he stands amid the Angels, Round about the Throne, With the ever Blessed Mother, Pleading for his own. *R*

In the love of God the Father And of God the Son, In the grace of God the Spirit, Ever Three in One. *R*

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty

Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

The Prayer over the Gifts

- V. The Lord be with youR. And with your spirit.
- V. Lift up your hearts
- R We lift them up to the Lord
- V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- R It is right and just.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty

And we lift our hearts before you as a token of our love,

Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy

Gracious Father, gracious Father, Blessèd is the one who comes to us in your name. And we lift our hearts before you as we give you thanks and praise. Hosanna in the highest.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The mystery of faith.

Risen Jesus, Risen Jesus, by your dying you destroyed our death, O Jesus. And we lift our hearts before you as we wait for your return. Risen Jesus, Risen Jesus!

The Eucharistic Prayer

Amen. Amen, Alleluia! Amen, Amen, Alleluia! And we lift our hearts before you as we give you thanks and praise. Amen, Amen, Alleluia!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father. who art in heaven **Our Father** who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, hallowed be thy name; hallowed be thy name; hallowed be thy name thy will be done thy Kingdom come, thy will be done thy kingdom come, upon the earth as it is in heaven. upon the earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive, forgive those as we forgive, forgive those who trespass against us, who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. but deliver us from evil.

The Priest continues alone:-

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For thine is the Kingdom,
for ever

Amen

Amen

- V: Lord Jesus Christ,
 who said to your Apostles:
 Peace, I leave you, my peace I give you,
 look not on our sins,
 but on the faith of your Church,
 and graciously grant her peace and unity
 in accordance with your will.
 Who live and reign for ever and ever.
- R: Amen.
- V: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- R And with your spirit.
- V: Let us offer one another the sign of peace.

The Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God and source of life:

Jesus, loving bearer of our sins:

R HEAR OUR PRAYER HAVE MERCY; HEAR OUR PRAYER HAVE MERCY; GIVE US YOUR PEACE.

Jesus, Son of God and Son of Man: Jesus, true redeemer of the world: **R**

Jesus Christ, our Way, our Truth, our Life: Jesus Christ, our living Cornerstone: *R*

Jesus, Lord of life and Lord of light: Jesus, here in form of bread and wine: **R**

V: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Please be guided to Communion by the Stewards

Communion Hymns

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me lie in pastures green. He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone.

And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness, And He anoints my head with oil, And my cup, it overflows with joy, I feast on His pure delights. *R*

And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one, For You are with me, and Your rod and staff Are the comfort I need to know. *R* (twice)

Be Still, For The Presence Of The Lord, The Holy One, Is Here Come Bow Before Him Now With Reverence And Fear In Him No Sin Is Found We Stand On Holy Ground Be Still, For The Presence Of The Lord, The Holy One, Is Here

Be Still, For The Glory Of The Lord Is Shining All Around He Burns With Holy Fire, With Splendour He Is Crowned How Awesome Is The Sight Our Radiant King Of Light Be Still, For The Glory Of The Lord Is Shining All Around

Be Still, For The Power Of The Lord Is Moving In This Place He Comes To Cleanse And Heal, To Minister His Grace No Work Too Hard For Him, In Faith Receive From Him Be Still, For The Power Of The Lord Is Moving In This Place.

Silence will be kept after Communion.

The Post Communion Prayer

Post Communion Hymn 268

How Lovely On The Mountains Are The Feet Of Him Who Brings Good News, Good News Proclaiming Peace, Announcing News And Happiness Our God Reigns, Our God Reigns Our God Reigns, Our God Reigns Our God Reigns, Our God Reigns

You Watchmen Lift Your Voices Joyfully As One Shout For Your King, Your King See Eye To Eye The Lord Restoring Zion Our God Reigns, Our God Reigns *R*

Waste Places Of Jerusalem Break Forth With Joy We Are Redeemed, Redeemed The Lord Has Saved And Comforted His People Our God Reigns, Our God Reigns *R*

Ends Of The Earth, See The Salvation Of Your God Jesus Is Lord, Is Lord
Before The Nations He Has Bared His Holy Arm
Our God Reigns, Our God Reigns *R*

V: The Lord be with youR And with your spirit.

And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, and the Son, ♣ and the Holy Spirit come down upon you and remain with you always.

R: Amen

V: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R: Thanks be to God.