



*St Thomas of  
Canterbury, the  
Parish Church for  
Brentwood*

The Order of Mass

for

Easter Sunday

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026

*These prayers are suitable as preparation for Mass*

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*From the Book of Common Prayer*

Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son Our Lord Jesus Christ, I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Lord, in your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the bread of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with the purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation. May I receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, and its reality and power.

Kind God, may I receive the Body of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born from the womb of the Virgin Mary, and so be received into His mystical body and numbered among His members. Loving Father, as on my earthly pilgrimage I now receive Your beloved Son under the veil of a sacrament, may I one day see him face to face in glory, who lives and reigns with You for ever. Amen.

*St Thomas Aquinas*

*It is our custom to keep a prayerful silence before Mass begins*

*Please STAND when the bell rings. At 08.00, the sacred minister stands before the image of Our Lady to greet her in the words of the Regina Coeli*

**Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia.  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.  
As he promised, hath arisen, alleluia.  
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.**

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.  
**For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia.**

O God, by the Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, you have brought joy to the whole world: grant that, by the help of his mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life; through Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

*At 10.00. The choir sings the introit, This Joyful Eastertide by Charles Wood, before we sing the entrance hymn. During the hymn, the procession will pause while the Easter Garden is blessed.*

## **Processional Hymns**

*NEH 110*



**All Jesus Christ is risen to-day, Alleluya!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluya!  
Who did once, upon the Cross, Alleluya!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluya!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluya!  
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluya!  
Who endured the Cross and grave, Alleluya!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluya!**

**But the pains that he endured Alleluya!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluya!  
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluya!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluya!**

*Words: Lyræ Davidica 1708*

### **Blessing of the Easter Garden**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. To you be glory now and for ever. In your great mercy you have given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Bless ☩ this Easter Garden. May those who venerate it in celebration of his victory be strengthened in faith, know the power of his presence, and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory.

Alleluia! Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God for ever, Alleluia!**

*The Easter Garden is sprinkled with Holy Water and censed. The procession continues to the altar, which is then honoured and censed.*

### **The Gathering**

*We stay STANDING for the gathering, prayers of penitence, Gloria and collect.*

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

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The priest welcomes us and introduces the service.*

## Prayers of Penitence

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

## Absolution

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

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **The Collect**

*The Celebrant introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray':*

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*We SIT for the first readings.*

*Acts 10:34-43*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the

dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The choir sing the verses of the psalm and we join in with the response.*

*Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24*

Murray

This is the day of the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

The image shows a musical staff in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The lyrics are written below the staff.

**R This is the day of the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever. Let Israel now proclaim, 'His mercy endures for ever.' **R**

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous: 'The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!' **R**

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord. **R**

This is the gate of the Lord; whoever is righteous may enter.' I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation. The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. **R**

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

*Colossians 3:1-4*

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians.

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

*We STAND to greet the gospel as the choir leads the acclamation.*

Christopher Walker

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

On the first day of the week the disciples went to the tomb, and they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, Alleluia!

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him, the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly, Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**The Sermon**  
*SIT*

**The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*STAND*

Through the Easter mystery, we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may rise with him to new life. Now that we have completed our Lenten observances, let us renew the promises made in our baptism when we rejected Satan and his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church. And so I ask you all:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

**I reject them.**

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

**I renounce them.**

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

**I repent of them.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

**I turn to Christ.**

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

**I submit to Christ.**

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

**I come to Christ**

God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and forgiven all our sins. May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people are then sprinkled with the Holy Water from the font. It is customary to make the sign of the cross as the water touches us.*

## **The Universal Prayers of Intercession**

***KNEEL***

Jesus, our exalted Lord, has been given all authority. Let us seek his intercession that our prayers may be perfected by his prayer.

Jesus Christ, great high priest, living for ever to intercede for us, pray for the Church, your broken body in the world ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, King of righteousness, enthroned at the right hand of the majesty on high, pray for the world, and make it subject to your gentle rule.

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, Son of Man, drawing humanity into the life of God, pray for your sisters and brothers in need, distress, or sorrow ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus, pioneer of our salvation, bringing us to glory through your death and resurrection, surround with your saints and angels those who have died trusting your promises ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, Lord over all things, ascended far above the heavens and filling the universe, pray for us who receive the gifts you give us for work in your service ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at your feet; for you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### The Offertory

*A collection is taken at this celebration. If you don't have cash or are not part of our planned giving scheme and would like to support the ministry costs of St Thomas' please scan the QR code on the back of the chair in front of you, to be taken to the online donations page where you can easily donate to support the work of St Thomas' and complete the details allowing the reclamation of Gift Aid on your donation. At 10.00, we sing this hymn while the altar is prepared.*

### The Offertory Hymn

NEH 124



Al - le - lu - ya! A - men.

**All** Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,  
Your sweetest notes employ,  
The Paschal victory to hymn  
In strains of holy joy.

How Judah's Lion burst his chains,  
And crushed the serpent's head;  
And brought with him, from death's domains,  
The long-imprisoned dead.

From hell's devouring jaws the prey  
Alone our Leader bore;  
His ransomed hosts pursue their way  
Where he hath gone before.

**Triumphant in his glory now  
His sceptre ruleth all,  
Earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,  
And at his footstool fall.**

**While joyful thus his praise we sing,  
His mercy we implore,  
Into his palace bright to bring  
And keep us evermore.**

**All glory to the Father be,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
While endless ages run. Alleluya! Amen.**

*Words: St Fulbert of Chartres, (d. 1028)*

*Music: H. J. Gauntlett, (1805-76)*

## **The Preparation of the Altar**

*At 08.00 as the celebrant takes the bread and the wine, we pray;*

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

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink. **Blessed be God for ever.**

*At 10.00, after all have been censed, the Priest says;*

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

**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 Church.**

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## The Preface

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter  
to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

*We remain **STANDING** as we say/sing the Sanctus and the Benedictus:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 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**

*We KNEEL after the Sanctus and Benedictus.*

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

*After the consecration, the following acclamation is said/sung:*

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Joseph her spouse, St Thomas of Canterbury and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, 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. **Amen.**

## **COMMUNION RITE**

As our Saviour taught and commanded us, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

*We sing the Agnus Dei:*

**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.**

*The Celebrant invites the people to communion.*

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*Please follow the direction of the celebrant and sidespersons to come forward and receive communion. Those who are confirmed are welcome to make their communion at our celebration today. Otherwise, please come forward for a blessing with your hands crossed across your chest. The response after receiving a blessing is **Amen**.*

## Anthem

The Choir sings – ‘Hallelujah Chorus’ – *Handel*

*After the anthem, we remain SEATED to sing the communion hymn.*

## Communion Hymn

*NEH 113*



**All**      **Love's redeeming work is done;  
Fought the fight, the battle won:  
Lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!  
Lo, he sets in blood no more!**

**Vain the stone, the watch, the seal,  
Christ has burst the gates of hell;  
Death in vain forbids his rise;  
Christ has opened Paradise.**

**Lives again our glorious King;  
Where, O Death, is now thy sting?  
Dying once, he all doth save;  
Where thy victory, O grave?**

**Soar we now where Christ has led,  
Following our exalted Head;  
Made like him, like him we rise;  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.**

**Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!  
Praise to thee by both be given:  
Thee we greet triumphant now;  
Hail, the Resurrection thou!**

*Words: St Fulbert of Chartres, (d. 1028)*

*Music: H. J. Gauntlett, (1805-76)*

### **Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. **Amen.**

*St Alphonsus Liguori*

### **Post Communion**

*We STAND ready for the priest to say/sing the post communion prayer:*

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with 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.**

## **Banns and Notices**

*We SIT while any Banns of Marriage are published, and brief notices are given out. We STAND for the final blessing and dismissal.*

## **Blessing and dismissal**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing,

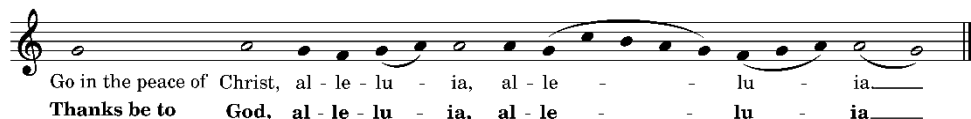
God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Son, who in bursting the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, whom the risen Lord breathed into his disciples, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**



Go in the peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia

**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia**

*At 08.00, the sacred ministers leave in silence.*

*At 10.00, the sacred ministers gather before the image of Our Lady as we greet her in the words of the Regina Coeli*



**Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia.  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.  
As he promised, hath arisen, alleluia.  
Pour for us to him thy prayer, alleluia.**

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

**For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia.**

O God, by the Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, you have brought joy to the whole world: grant that, by the help of his mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life; through Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

*The sacred ministers then leave during the final hymn.*

## Recessional Hymn

NEH 120



**All 1** Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

*Refrain:*

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.*

**2** Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting: [Refrain]

**3** No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;  
Life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife,  
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;  
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above: [Refrain]

*Translator: Richard Birch Hoyle; Author: Edmond Budry (1904)*

Organ voluntary: Arrival of the Queen of Sheba – *George Frideric Handel*  
(1685–1759) (Organist: Alexander Evans)

*A warm invitation is extended to all to stay for refreshments after the 10.00 Sung Mass. Please make your way through into the hall following the directions of the sidespersons.*

## **Private Devotions during Communion or after Mass**

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

*From the Book of Common Prayer*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; [\*particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

*\*This to be said when any that have been prayed for desire to return praise.*

*From the Book of Common Prayer*

Soul of Christ, sanctify me  
body of Christ, save me  
blood of Christ, inebriate me  
water from Christ's side, wash me  
passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesus, hear me  
within thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.

In the hour of my death call me and bid me come unto thee that I may  
praise thee with thy saints and with thy angels forever and ever. Amen

Hail holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope!  
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up  
our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, O most  
gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this our exile,  
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O  
sweet Virgin Mary.

*The Salve Regina*

## Staying in Touch

### **Website and Social Media**

If you have been touched by today's service and would like to find out more about what happens at St Thomas, or are interested in finding out how to arrange a baptism, wedding, or are curious about attending Alpha, this and plenty of other information can be found on our website.

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