

St. Cuthbert's - Halsall



PASSION TIDE
SERVICE

SUNDAY, 31st MARCH, at 6-30 p.m.

CHOIR

AND

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

(LEADER: E. J. MORRIS)

(ORGAN: E. R. CARR)

Directed by

GORDON J. P. HUGHES

(Organist and Master of the Choristers)

Rector:

Rev. W. HERBERT BULLOUGH.

The Cross of Christ

*The clergy and choir enter in silence.
The Rector then says*

Behold the Cross displayed, whereon the Saviour of the world did hang. O come ye, let us worship and bow down.

Brethren, we are come together that we may hear again how our Lord and Saviour suffered upon the Cross, and that hearing we may offer our lives anew to Him who died for us.

All kneel
LET US PRAY

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Almighty God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross, Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Assist us mercifully with thy spirit, O Lord, that thinking upon Thy Cross and Passion, we may worship Thee with thankful hearts. Amen.

O Saviour of the world, Who by Thy Cross and precious blood has redeemed us: Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

HYMN No. 214 *Tune: Horsley*
"There is a Green Hill Far Away."

LESSON: Isaiah 53, 3-8.
"The Cross is Foretold."

After each Reading shall be said:

VERSICLE: We adore Thee, O Christ, and we bless Thee.

RESPONSE: Because by Thy Holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world.

HYMN No. 97 (Part 1) *French Carol*
"Sing my Tongue, the Glorious Battle."

LESSON: St. Mark 14, 32-50.
"Jesus is Betrayed."

ANTHEM: "Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy's Sake."
by John Hilton (the elder), 1560-1608.

LESSON: St. Matthew 26, 57-68.
Jesus is tried before the Jewish High Priest.

CHORALE: O Lord, who dares to smite Thee.
from the St. Matthew Passion
by J. S. Bach, 1685-1750.

LESSON: St. Matthew 27, 11-31.
Jesus is tried before the Roman Governor.

CHORALE: Herzliebster Jesu.
by Johann Crüger (1598-1662)

HYMN No. 102 *John Ireland, 1879*
"My Song is Love Unknown."

LESSON: St. Matthew 27, 33-44.
Jesus is Crucified.

CHORALE: "O Haupt Voll Blut Und Wonden"
by H. L. Hassler (1564-1612)
Harmonized by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

LESSON: St. Mark 15, 33-39.
Jesus Dies upon the Cross.

ANTHEM: O Saviour of the World.
by John Goss (1800-1880)

All kneel in silence.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, Who at this evening hour didst rest in the sepulchre, and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to Thy people: make us to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of Thy Passion, that when our bodies lie in the dust, our souls may live with Thee; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

All sit.

LESSON: Philippians 2, 5-11.
Christ Triumphant.

HYMN No. 185 *Tune: Gerontius*
"Praise to the Holiest in the Height."

All kneel.

Lord Jesus, Who on this holy day of Thy Passion didst stretch out Thine arms upon the hard wood of the Cross, that all men might be brought within their saving embrace; draw us unto Thyself with the bands of Thy love, that, being bound unto Thee for ever as Thy faithful servants, we may take up our cross daily and follow Thee, and at length attain to Thine everlasting joy; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

Almighty God, Who hast given Thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of Godly life: give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that His inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of His most holy life: through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thanks be to Thee, my Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which Thou hast won for me,

For all the pains and insults which Thou has borne for me:

A most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother,
May I see Thee more clearly,
Love Thee more dearly,
And follow Thee more nearly,
Day by day. Amen.

To God the Father, Who loved us, and made us accepted in the beloved:
To God the Son, Who loved us, and loosed us from our sins by His own Blood:
To God the Holy Ghost, Who sheddeth the love of God abroad in our hearts:
To the one true God be all love and all glory for time and for eternity. Amen.

HYMN No. 108 *Tune: Rockingham*
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross."

The choir and clergy then go out in silence.

ORCHESTRA.

1st Violins

Miss E. JUNE MORRIS (Leader)
Miss J. BROWN
Mr. ENGEL
Miss C. MORRIS

2nd Violins

Mr. E. BOOTHROYD
Mr. HILDRITH
PETER BARNETT
DAVID BENT

Viola

Miss J. CALLING

Cello

Mr. E. WARDLE

Bass

Miss B. JOHNSTON

Flute

Miss S. REDMOND

Oboe

Mrs. MARSDEN