

In the **Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for the Diocese of Salisbury—the Church of England.

In the **Anglican Church of Canada**, we pray for our Primate, the Most Rev Linda Nicholls; for our Provincial Metropolitan and Diocesan Archbishop, the Most Rev Anne Germond; for the Deanery of Sudbury-Manitoulin, and our Archdeacon, the Ven Glen Miller, and for our parish of the Church of the Ascension and our Incumbent, the Rev Jeff Hooper.

In the **Diocese of Algoma**, we pray for the Eucharistic Assistants of the Diocese, whose ministry is to share in the distribution of the most precious Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ **We pray, also**, for the Rev Beverly Van der Jagt and her ordination to the presbyterate on April 22 (D.v.).

**We pray for** reconciliation with the Indigenous Peoples of this land: Merciful God, be with us as we seek to heal old wounds and find joy again in our relationships. Replace all hearts of stone with hearts of flesh; give us gifts of honesty and openness, and fill us with your healing power and grace.

**We pray for** the following people for God’s healing and strength during the coming week, especially – Tamara, Marshall, Kay, Dave Fowler, Annette, Barbara, Claudette, Gerry, Mary Rose, Sarah, Jaqueline, Colin, Catherine, George, David, Dan & Marc, Gary, Lucette, Estelle, Richard, Maggie, Carol, Marjorie Morton, Rob Caines, Vince, Chris, Connie Lee, David Caines, Trischa, Ed, Lori, John P, Ivan, Audrey and her friends, companions, and neighbours at L’Arche, James, Darryl Keen, Heather, John, Sonia, Nancy, Victoria P, Mark, Craig, Dana, Nancy Turner, Rick, Carol, and Debbie.

**We pray for** those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes: Laurent Constantineau, Sybil Crawford, Marlene Moulton, Betty Bonas, and Daryl Keen; may they always feel God's presence in their lives.

**We pray for** those who have died, and for all who are bereaved, and especially for the Fleming family, for the Van der Jagt family, and for the Ranta family: *Grant, O Lord, to all who are bereaved the spirit of faith and courage, that they may have strength to meet the days to come with steadfastness and patience; not sorrowing as those without hope, but in thankful remembrance of your great goodness, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. Almighty God, Father of mercies and giver of comfort, deal graciously, we pray, with all who mourn; that casting all their care on you, they may know the consolation of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

In our **parish**, we pray for wardens, board members, and lay leaders; we pray for parents, grandparents, and godparents, for spouses and siblings, for children and dependents, for all families and friends; and especially we pray for those with whom we are hurt, angry, or at cross-purposes; that by Christ’s example, and through His grace, all hearts may be turned to your purpose, O Lord.



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“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, and to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.” (Lk 4.18-19) Archbishop Anne’s Motto for 2023

**Welcome to our worship!** *Please know the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized with water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of Communion.*

### **Maudy Thursday**

#### **Holy Eucharist**

Sunday morning 10.00 am  
*live-streamed on Facebook*  
*@ascensionsudbury*

Liturgy, BAS, pp. 185—215

(readings are per *Revised Common Lectionary*, NRSVA translation)

**Opening Hymn** 190; *Go To Dark...*  
**Gathering** BAS, p. 304  
**Collect of the Day** BAS, p. 304  
**First Reading** Exodus 12. 1-14  
**Psalm 116** vv 1, 10-17 BAS, pp. 864-5  
**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 11. 23-26  
**Holy Gospel** St John 13.1-17, 31b-35  
**Sermon**  
**Washing of the Feet** BAS, p. 305  
**Contemplative Hymn** 500; *Sister Let Me Be...*  
**Prayers, Confession,**  
**Absolution, Peace** BAS, pp. 190-2  
**Offertory Hymn** 66; *And Now O Father...*  
**Prayer over Gifts** BAS, p. 306  
**Eucharistic Prayer #3** BAS, pp. 198-200; 221  
**The Lord’s Prayer** BAS, p. 211  
**Breaking of the Bread** #7; BAS, p. 213  
**Communion Hymn** 50; *Now My Tongue...*  
**Prayer after Communion** BAS, p. 307  
**Stripping of the Lord’s Table**  
**Contemplative Psalm** Ps. 22; pp. 728-30  
**Silent Recession out from Sanctuary**

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**Collect for Maundy Thursday:** O God, your Son Jesus Christ has left to us this meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and blood. May we who celebrate this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**First Reading** (*Exodus 12. 1-14*)

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

**Psalm 116, vv 1, 10-17** (*BAS, pp. 864-5*) **Refrain: I will lift up the cup of salvation**

**Second Reading** (*1 Corinthians 11. 23-26*)

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Holy Gospel** (*St John 13.1-17, 31b-35*)

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord - and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

**Prayer over the Gifts:** Father, we spread this table to remember the loving sacrifice of Jesus Christ, your Son. Accept all we offer you this day. Bind us together in his love and in the love he has commanded us to bring to one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Prayer after Communion:** Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment, to love one another as he loved them. Write this commandment in our hearts; give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.