

**GOOD FRIDAY, HOLY SATURDAY &
EASTER SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL**

March 30

5:30 p.m. **Stations of the Cross** - Join us for a guided walk in Cummings Chapel.

7 p.m. **Stations of the Cross: A Service of Music (Le Chemin de la Croix)** by Marcel Dupré played on the organ by Tim Tuller and narrated by Hayley Tuller.

March 31

9 a.m. **Holy Saturday: Jesus in the Tomb**
Solemn Prayers in the cathedral led by Dean Moorehead

9:15 a.m. Sanctuary Guild prepares the cathedral for the Easter Feast

APRIL 1

EASTER DAY: THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

6 a.m. **THE GREAT VIGIL** - The first celebration of Easter - This service (circa 150 A.D.) begins in darkness where a fire is kindled. We read passages from the prophetic hopes and expectations of a Messiah. As the sun rises, we baptize and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. Bring your noisemakers for The Great Noise!

7:30 a.m. **Easter Celebration Breakfast** to break the Lenten Fast.

9 a.m. **Festal Eucharist and Flowering of the Cross** in the Cathedral*
Incense will not be used at this service. Bring cut flowers to decorate the cross.

10:15 a.m. **Easter Egg Hunt** for children 7 & under in Cathedral Park on Church Street.

11:15 a.m. **Festal Eucharist in the Cathedral***
Incense will be used at this service.

**Nursery available.*

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

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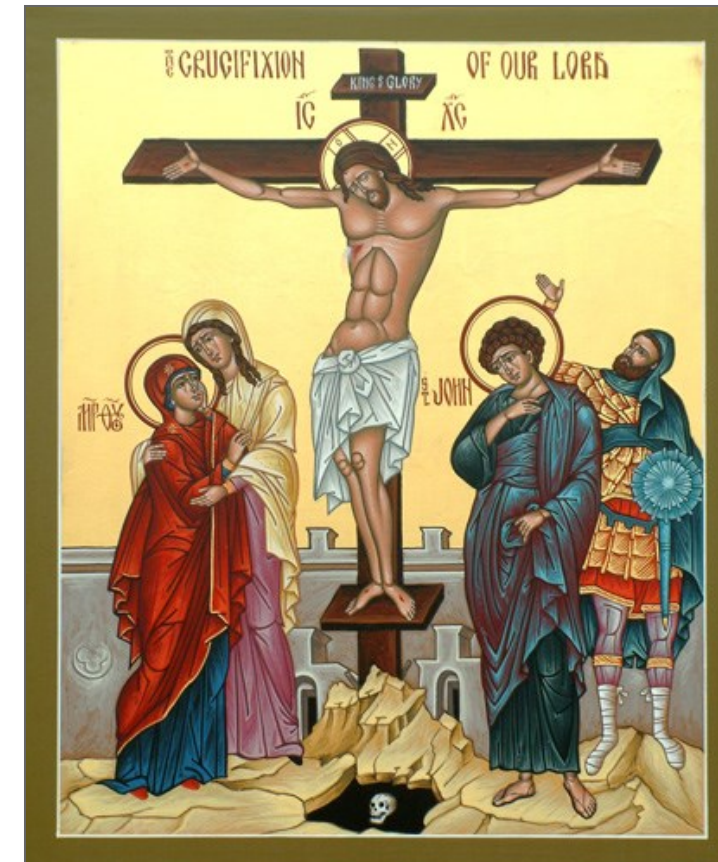
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CATHEDRAL CLERGY

The Very Reverend Katherine B. Moorehead, Dean
The Reverend Canon Allen LaMontagne, Sub-dean
The Reverend Raja Zabaneh, Chaplain to the Cathedral Residences
The Reverend Louis A. Towson, Priest Associate
The Reverend Bennett B. Clance, Deacon, Prison Ministries
Timothy Tuller, Canon for Music

**THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST
GOOD FRIDAY**



**MARCH 30, 2018
TWELVE O'CLOCK UNTIL
THREE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON**

**ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL
THE VERY REVEREND KATE MOOREHEAD, DEAN
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA**

The Seven Last Words of Christ

*Please turn off all cell phones and pagers.
All gather in silence. Those attending this service are free to come and go as needed.*

The following response is said after the ministers enter in silence. Please stand as able.

Celebrant Blessed be our God.
People For ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.
All Christ, have mercy.
Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

All 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.

All are seated for the readings.

I “Father forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” Luke 23:32-38

Lector: A Reading from Luke

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

Homily The Rev. Canon Allen LaMontagne, Sub-dean

A Period of silence for reflection follows the homily.

Music Is it nothing to you? Frederick A. Gore Ouseley

Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? Behold and see, if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me, wherewith the Lord hath afflicted me in the day of his fierce anger.

A Period of silence for reflection follows the music.

For those who persecute Christians
For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others
That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Silence

Leader

Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us commit ourselves to our God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence

Leader

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Closing Prayer

Leader

and

People

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners ever lasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Tolling of the Bell

At three o'clock the bell is tolled thirty-three times. This is to signify that the 33 years of Christ's life ended at three o'clock with his death on the cross. The tolling of the bell ends the service. All may leave in silence or remain for silent prayer and meditation.

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The labyrinth is available for meditative walking in Taliaferro Hall until 6 p.m.

We will walk the Stations of the Cross today at 5:30 p.m. in Cummings Chapel.

At 7 p.m., Canon for Music Timothy Tuller will play Marcel Dupré's masterwork, "The Stations of the Cross," which was conceived in the form of an improvisation at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Brussels, February 13, 1931. During the concert the fourteen stanzas of "Le Chemin de la Croix" by the French poet Paul Claudel will be read by Hayley Tuller. Each stanza is followed by Dupré's musical interpretation for the organ. The entire composition and its recurring musical themes represent various characters and emotions of the Via Dolorosa, especially Christ and the Virgin Mary.

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lasting life. We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

All kneel.

Leader Let us pray for the holy catholic church of Christ throughout the world;
For all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve
For our Dean, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese
For all Christians in this community
For those about to be baptized Sunday morning
That God will confirm us all in faith, increase his love in us, and preserve us in peace.

Silence

Leader Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Leader Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them;
For Donald Trump, the President of the United States
For the Congress and the Supreme Court
For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations
For all who serve the common good
That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence

Leader Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Leader Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;
For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed
For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled
For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish
For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair
For the sorrowful and bereaved
For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger
That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence

Leader Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Leader Let us pray for all who do not know the love of God;
For those who have never heard the word of salvation
For those who have lost their faith
For those hardened by sin or indifference
For the contemptuous and the scornful

II "Woman, here is your son." "Here is your mother."

John 19:25b-27

Lector: A Reading from John

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Homily

Owene Courtney, Cathedral Lay Minister

A Period of silence for reflection follows the homily.

Music

In the departure of the Lord

John Bull

In the departure of the Lord, of mortal body's vital breath, There lies a mystery worth record, which he did show us here on earth: Who doth prepare to die each hour must follow Christ our Saviour.

A Period of silence for reflection follows the music.

III "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Matthew 27:45-54

Lector: A Reading from Matthew

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

Homily

The Rev. Raja Zabaneh, Chaplain to the Cathedral Residences

A Period of silence for reflection follows the homily.

Music

O crux ave

G.P. da Palestrina

O cross, our one reliance, hail! So may thy power with us prevail to give new virtue to the saint, and pardon to the penitent.

A Period of silence for reflection follows the music.

IV “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Luke 23:39-43

Lector: A Reading from Luke

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Homily

The Rev. Gregg Kaufman

A Period of silence for reflection follows the homily.

Music

Mélodie
Dr. Cynthia Miller, cello

Jules Massenet

A Period of silence for reflection follows the music.

V “I am thirsty.”

John 19:28-29

Lector: A Reading from John

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), “I am thirsty.” A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.

Homily

The Rev. Beth Tjoflat

A Period of silence for reflection follows the homily.

Music

Largo
Dr. Cynthia Miller, cello

Antonio Vivaldi

A Period of silence for reflection follows the music.

VI “It is finished.”

John 19:30-37

Lector: A Reading from John

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. Instead, one of the sol-

diers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out. (He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth.) These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, “None of his bones shall be broken.” And again another passage of scripture says, “They will look on the one whom they have pierced.”

Homily

The Rev. Canon Dr. J. Allison DeFoor

A Period of silence for reflection follows the homily.

Music

He was despised (from Messiah)

G. F. Handel

He was despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. He gave his back to the smiters, and His cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: He hid not His face from shame and spitting.

Zobaniris Torres, contralto

A Period of silence for reflection follows the music.

VII “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

Luke 23:44-49

Lector: A Reading from Luke

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, “Certainly this man was innocent.” And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Homily

The Rev. John Rogers

A Period of silence for reflection follows the homily.

Music

Were you there?
Michael Miller, baritone

Traditional Spiritual

A Period of silence for reflection follows the music.

Solemn Prayers

All stand.

Leader

Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of ever-