

MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 2
7 PM

Love one another as I have loved you



Christ Church
GROSSE POINTE

MAUNDY THURSDAY

HOLY EUCHARIST AND STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Properly, the season of Lent ends this evening, and the period called the “Great Three Days” (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday) begins. So this service marks “the beginning of the end.” From this point, a natural momentum carries us through Good Friday and Holy Saturday to Easter Eve.

This day gets its name from the Latin word *mandatum*, which means “commandment.” This refers to Jesus’ words to his disciples on this night: “A new commandment I give you, that you love one another” (John 13:34). Jesus expressed this commandment of love and this spirit of service by washing his disciples’ feet, an action which, in Jesus’ day, was reserved for the lowest slave in the household.

Tonight, we enter into the drama of Holy Week in a very clear way. Time no longer divides us from Jesus. We do not just remember the Last Supper; we are in the Upper Room with Jesus and his closest friends on the night itself when all these events took place.

The Eucharist tonight is itself a feast in which we give thanks to God for the sacrament of the Holy Communion. Our weekday and Sunday celebrations of the Eucharist are a regular re-living of this last meal spent with friends, and we honor the night in which Jesus gave us this pledge of his continual presence in our midst. For every time we celebrate the Eucharist, Jesus himself is present with us, as fully as he was present in the Upper Room.

After we have received Communion, we carry the consecrated Bread and Wine in solemn procession to the Altar of Repose in Saint Margaret’s Chapel. Then we return to the Sanctuary, where the celebrant, clergy, acolytes and members of the Altar Guild strip the main sanctuary of all ornamentation. When the sanctuary is completely cleared, the celebrant washes the altar table, and the church is left bare for Good Friday. During the stripping of the altar, the congregation kneels as the choir sings words selected from the Lamentations of Jeremiah set by Edward Bairstow.

*O Jesus our brother,
whose feet were caressed
with perfume and a woman’s hair;
you humbly took basin and towel
and washed the feet of your friends.
Wash us also in your tenderness
as we touch each other;
that, embracing your service freely,
we may accept no other bondage;
for you live and love with the Father
and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.*

THE ENTRANCE RITE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Reverend Andrew Van Culin

INTROIT

A NEW COMMANDMENT

William Mundy
(1529-1591)

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord:
that ye love together as I have loved you, that e'en so ye love one another.

John 13:34

The people stand.

HYMN

PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST IN THE HEIGHT

Newman

1 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the
2 O lov - ing wis - dom of our God! When all was
3 O wis - est love! that flesh and blood, which did in
4 and that the high - est gift of grace should flesh and
5 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the

1 depth be praise; in all his words most
2 sin and shame, a sec - ond Ad - am
3 Ad - am fail, should strive a - fresh a -
4 blood re - fine: God's pres - ence and his
5 depth be praise; in all his words most

1 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!
2 to the fight and to the res - cue came.
3 gainst the foe, should strive, and should pre - vail;
4 ve - ry self, and es - sence all - di - vine.
5 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy en - dures for ev - er.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

People **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

FROM *MASS FOR FOUR VOICES*

William Byrd
(1543-1623)

*Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax hominibus
bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi propter
magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite
Jesu Christe;
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus sanctus.
Tu solus Dominus.
Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu
in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.*

Glory to God in the highest
and on earth peace to men
of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we worship you, we glorify you.
We give thanks to you because of
your great glory.
Lord God, King of Heaven,
God the Father almighty,
the only begotten Son,
Lord Jesus Christ.
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father.
You who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
You who takes away the sins of the world,
receive our supplication.
You who sits at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are holy.
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 WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.



People And al - so with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

The people are seated for the readings.

THE 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 neighbor 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 judgments: 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 116:1, 10-17

chant: *Plainsong, Tone VII.3*

I love the LORD, because he has heard
the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me
whenever I called upon him.

How shall I repay the LORD *
for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD *
is the death of his servants.

O LORD, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people,

In the courts of the LORD's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand for the hymn.

Descant (after stanzas 2 and 3)

God is love, God is love,

Refrain

God is love, and where true love is

God him - self is there. there._____

God him - self is there. there._____

1-3 *Final Ending*

1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.
 2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,
 3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,

Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.
 let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.
 when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.

Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.
 Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.
 Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

Repeat Refrain

Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.
 Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.
 be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

*Gospeller
People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, '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.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon after which the people stand.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Father, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service.

People Lord, hear us,
And humble us.

On this night, Jesus prayed for his disciples to be one.
We pray for the unity of your Church.

People Lord, hear us,
And unite us.

On this night, Jesus prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message. We pray for the mission of your Church.

Lord, hear us,

People **And renew our zeal.**

On this night, Jesus commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved.

Lord, hear us,

People **And fill us with your love.**

On this night, Jesus reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord, hear us,

People **And give us your peace.**

Most merciful Lord,

People **your love compels us to come in.**

Our hands are unclean,

our hearts are unprepared;

we are not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table.

But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,

and share your bread with sinners.

So cleanse and feed us

with the precious Body and Blood of your Son,

that he may live in us and we in him;

and that we, with the whole company of Christ,

may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with a collect and the people respond Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while the offering is collected.

ANTHEM

UBI CARITAS

*Maurice Duruflé
(1902-1986)*

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Amen.

Where charity and love are, there is God. The love of Christ has brought us together into one flock. Let us rejoice and let us be glad in that love itself. Let us fear and love the living God. And let us love from a pure heart. Where charity and love are, there is God. Amen.

The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing through the Sanctus.

Unison or harmony

Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray
For all thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;

that all thy Church might be for ev - er one,
make thou our sad di - vi - sions soon to cease;

grant us at ev - ery Eu - cha - rist to say
draw us the near - er each to each, we plead,

with long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
by draw - ing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;

O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,
thus may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,

through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.
through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

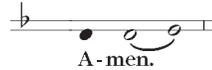
Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People

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,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant



My flesh is__ food in-deed, and my blood__ is drink in - deed says the Lord.

People



My flesh is__ food in-deed, and my blood__ is drink in - deedsays the Lord.

Celebrant



Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I__ in them.

People



My flesh is__ food in-deed, and my blood__ is drink in - deed says the Lord.

THE INVITATION

The people are seated.

To receive Communion, come to a Communion Station or to the Altar Rail at the direction of the ushers. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than Communion, cross your arms over your chest—this will alert the priest of your request. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

RÉCIT EN TAILLE, FROM *PANGE LINGUA*

Nicolas de Grigny
(1672-1703)

AGNUS DEI

FROM *MASS FOR FOUR VOICES*

W. Byrd

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The people kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

PROCESSION OF THE EUCHARISTIC BREAD AND WINE

The people stand and sing while the Blessed Sacrament is processed to the Altar of Repose in Saint Margaret's Chapel.

HYMN

NOW, MY TONGUE, THE MYSTERY TELLING

Pange lingua



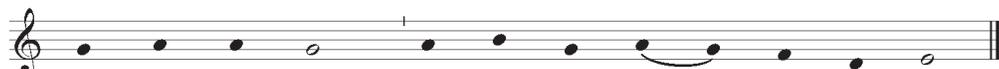
1 Now, my tongue, the mys - tery tell - ing of the glo - rious
2 Given for us, and con - de - scend - ing to be born for
3 That last night at sup - per ly - ing mid the twelve, his
4 Word made flesh, the bread he tak - eth, by his word his
*5 There - fore we, be - fore him bend - ing, this great Sac - ra -
*6 Glo - ry let us give and bless - ing to the Fa - ther



1 Bo - dy sing, and the Blood, all price ex - cell - ing,
2 us be - low, he with us in con - verse blend - ing
3 cho - sen band, Je - sus, with the Law com - ply - ing,
4 Flesh to be; wine his sa - cred Blood he mak - eth,
5 ment re - vere; types and sha - dows have their end - ing,
6 and the Son, hon - or, thanks, and praise ad - dress - ing,



1 which the Gen - tiles' Lord and King, once on earth a -
2 dwelt, the seed of truth to sow, till he closed with
3 keeps the feast its rites de - mand; then, more pre - cious
4 though the sens - es fail to see; faith a - lone the
5 for the new - er rite is here; faith, our out - ward
6 while e - ter - nal a - ges run; ev - er too his



1 mong us dwell - ing, shed for this world's ran - som - ing.
2 won - drous end - ing, his most pa - tient life of woe.
3 food sup - ply - ing, gives him - self with his own hand.
4 true heart wak - eth to be - hold the mys - ter - y.
5 sense be - friend - ing, makes our in - ward vi - sion clear.
6 love con - fess - ing who from both with both is One.

After the hymn has ended, there is a short silence. The Celebrant then says: "And they all forsook him and fled!" Without formality, all return to the Chancel, with haste, for the Stripping of the Altar.

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

*The altar is stripped as a remembrance of the stripping of our Lord by the soldiers.
During the stripping of the altar, all kneel or sit.*

ANTHEM

How doth the city sit solitary
that was full of people;
how is she become as a widow.
She that was great among the nations
and princess among the provinces;
how is she become a tributary.
She weepeth sore in the night and
her tears are on her cheeks;
among all her lovers she hath none to comfort her.
The ways of Zion do mourn;
because none come to the solemn assembly.
All her gates are desolate;
and she herself is in bitterness.
The Lord hath afflicted her for the
multitude of her trasgressions;
her children are gone into
captivity before the enemy.
All they that go by clap their hands at her;
they hiss and wag their head at the
daughter of Jerusalem saying:
'Is this the city that men called
the perfection of beauty;
the joy of the whole earth?'

Refrain: Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return
unto the Lord thy God.

For these things I weep;
mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water.
From on high hath the Lord sent fire into my
bones and it prevaieth against them;
he hath made me desolate and faint all the day.
My flesh and my skin hath made me old;
he hath broken my bones.
He hath builded against me;
and compass'd me with gall and travail.

The people depart in silence.

THE LAMENTATION

*Edward C. Bairstow
(1874-1946)*

He hath made me to dwell in dark places;
as those that have been long dead.
I am become a derision to all my people;
and their song all the day.
Let him give his cheek to him that smiteth him;
Let him be filled full with reproach.
Is it nothing to you all ye that pass by;
behold and see if there be any
sorrow like unto my sorrow.
Remember mine affliction and my misery;
the wormwood and the gall.

Refrain

Remember O Lord what is come upon us;
behold and see our reproach.
The joy of our heart is ceas'd;
our dance is turn'd into mourning.
The crown is fallen from our head;
woe unto us for we have sinn'd.
For this our heart is faint;
for these things our eyes are dim.
Let us search and try our ways;
and turn again unto the Lord.
Turn thou us unto thee O Lord and we shall be
turn'd; renew our days as of old.
It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consum'd;
because his compassions fail not.
They are new every morning;
behold and see our reproach.
great is thy faithfulness.
The Lord is my portion saith my soul;
therefore will I hope in him.
O Lord thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul;
thou hast redeem'd my life.

Refrain

HOLY WEEK

Guest Preacher

Dr. Garwood Anderson

*Donald J. Parsons Distinguished Professor
of Biblical Interpretation at Nashotah House*

Good Friday, April 3

Good Friday Liturgy | Noon and 7 pm

Holy Saturday, April 4

The Great Vigil of Easter | 7 pm
(incense is used)

Easter Day, Sunday, April 5

Holy Eucharist | 7 am
Festival Eucharist | 9 and 11:15 am
with Brass
(incense is used at the 11:15 am service only)

Easter egg hunt follows the 9 am service



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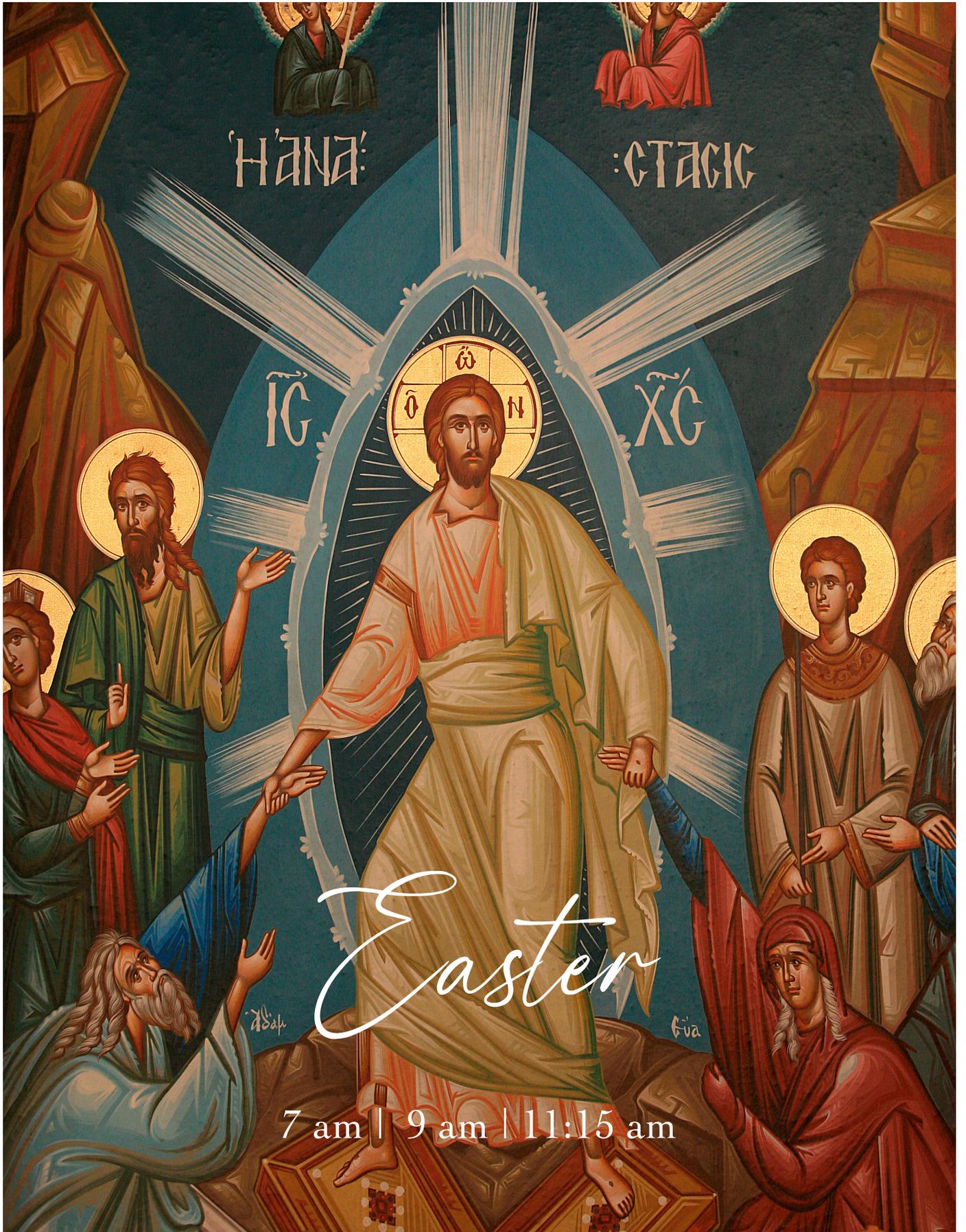
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