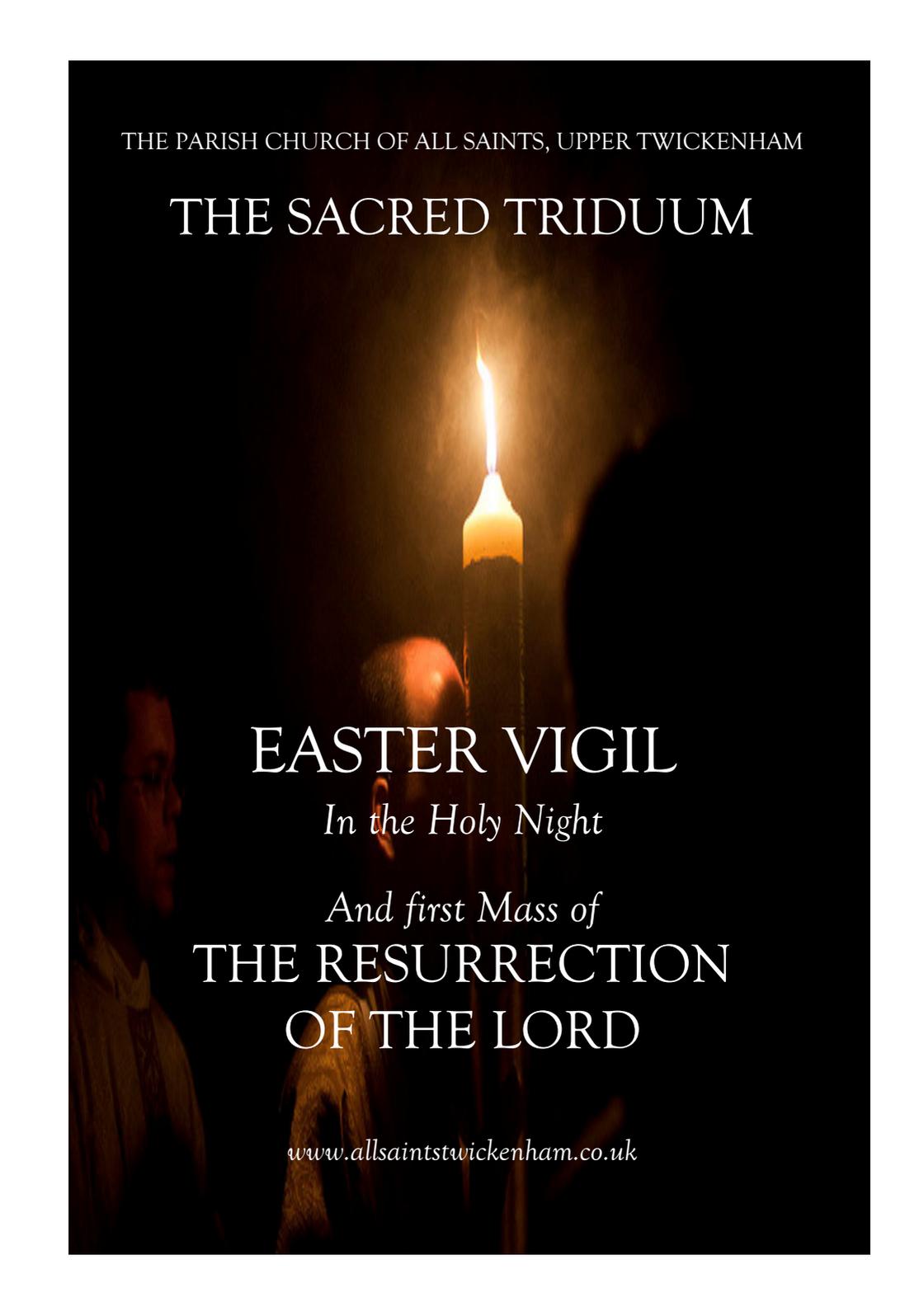


THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, UPPER TWICKENHAM

# THE SACRED TRIDUUM

A lit candle in a dark setting, with the silhouettes of people in the background.

## EASTER VIGIL

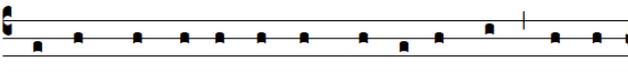
*In the Holy Night*

*And first Mass of*

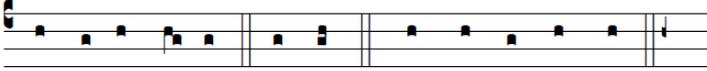
## THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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## THE SOLEMN BEGINNING OF THE VIGIL

v. 

**I**N the name of the Fa-ther, and of the Son, and of



the Ho-ly Spir- it. R. A-men. v. The Lord be with you.



R. And with your spir- it.

**D**ear brothers and sisters, on this most sacred night, in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death to life, the Church calls upon her sons and daughters, scattered throughout the world, to come together to watch and pray.

If we keep the memorial of the Lord's paschal solemnity in this way, listening to his word and celebrating his mysteries, then we shall have the sure hope of sharing his triumph over death and living with him in God.

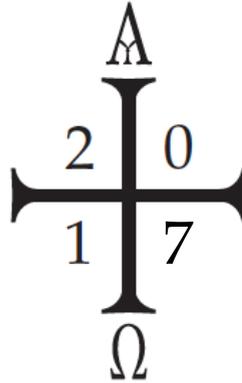
*Then the Priest blesses the fire, saying with hands extended:*

Let us pray.

**O** God, who through your Son bestowed upon the faithful the fire of your glory, sanctify ✠ this new fire, we pray, and grant that, by these paschal celebrations, we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that with minds made pure we may attain festivities of unending splendour. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

After the blessing of the new fire, one of the ministers brings the paschal candle to the Priest, who cuts a cross into the candle with a stylus. Then he makes the Greek letter Alpha above the cross, the letter Omega below, and the four numerals of the current year between the arms of the cross, saying meanwhile:

1. **Christ yesterday and today**  
(he cuts a vertical line);
2. **the Beginning and the End**  
(he cuts a horizontal line);
3. **the Alpha**  
(he cuts the letter Alpha above the vertical line);
4. **and the Omega**  
(he cuts the letter Omega below the vertical line).
5. **All time belongs to him**  
(he cuts the first numeral of the current year in the upper left corner of the cross);
6. **and all the ages**  
(he cuts the second numeral of the current year in the upper right corner of the cross).
7. **To him be glory and power**  
(he cuts the third numeral of the current year in the lower left corner of the cross);
8. **through every age and for ever. Amen.**  
(he cuts the fourth numeral of the current year in the lower right corner of the cross).



When the cutting of the cross and of the other signs has been completed, the Priest may insert five grains of incense into the candle in the form of a cross, meanwhile saying:

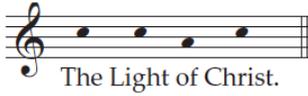
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| 1. <b>By his holy</b>           | 1     |
| 2. <b>and glorious wounds,</b>  |       |
| 3. <b>may Christ the Lord</b>   | 4 2 5 |
| 4. <b>guard us</b>              |       |
| 5. <b>and protect us. Amen.</b> | 3     |

The Paschal Candle is lit from the new fire saying:

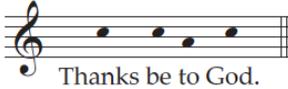
May the light of Christ ris - ing in glo-ry dispel the darkness of our

hearts and minds.

At the door of the church the Deacon (or Priest), standing and raising up the candle, sings:



And all reply:



Three Stations are made and the same is sung. At the second station the people's candles are lit.

THE EASTER PROCLAMATION  
(REMAIN STANDING)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

After setting aside their candles, all sit. Before the readings begin, the Priest instructs the people in these or similar words:

**D**ear brothers and sisters, now that we have begun our solemn Vigil, let us listen with quiet hearts to the Word of God. Let us meditate on how God in times past saved his people and in these, the last days, has sent us his Son as our Redeemer. Let us pray that our God may complete this paschal work of salvation by the fullness of redemption.

After each reading

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

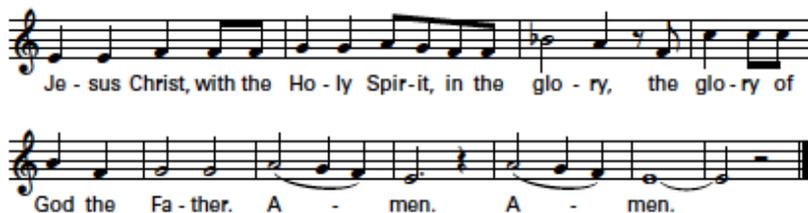
A psalm or canticle is now sung.

The Priest then says "Let us pray" and we **STAND** for the prayer.

After the last reading from the Old Testament with its Responsorial Psalm and its prayer, the altar candles are lit, and the Priest intones the hymn Gloria in excelsis Deo (Glory to God in the highest), which is taken up by all, while bells are rung, according to local custom.

Gló-ri - a in ex-cél - sis De - o.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace, peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa - ther. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, You a - lone are the Most High,



## THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

○ God, who make this most sacred night radiant with the glory of the Lord's Resurrection, stir up in your Church a spirit of adoption, so that, renewed in body and mind, we may render you undivided service. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## Epistle

*Romans 6: 3-11*

The Word of the Lord.

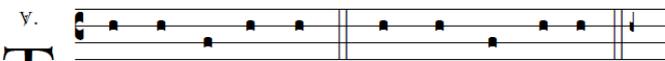
**Thanks be to God.**

*After the Epistle has been read, all rise, then the Priest solemnly intones the Alleluia three times, raising his voice by a step each time, with all repeating it.*

## THE SOLEMN ACCLAMATION STAND



## THE RESURRECTION GOSPEL

V.   
T He Lord be with you. R. And with your spir- it.

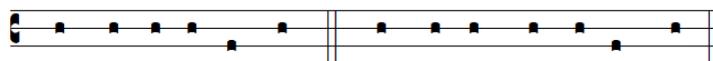


V. A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.



R. Glo-ry to you, O Lord.

*At the end of the Gospel:*



V. The Gos-pel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Je- sus Christ.

THE HOMILY  
SIT

## THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY

Dearly beloved, let us humbly invoke upon this font the grace of God the almighty Father, that those who from it are born anew may be numbered among the children of adoption in Christ.

*The altar party moves to the font, whilst we pray the litany of the Saints:*

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

Saint Michael,

Holy Angels of God,

Saint John the Baptist,

Saint Joseph,

Saint Peter and Saint Paul,

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, have mercy.**

**Lord, have mercy.**

**pray for us.**



[ *If there are candidates to be baptized, the Priest, with hands extended, says the following prayer:*

**A**lmighty ever-living God,  
be present by the mysteries of your great love  
and send forth the spirit of adoption  
to create the new peoples  
brought to birth for you in the font of Baptism,  
so that what is to be carried out by our humble service  
may be brought to fulfilment by your mighty power.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** ]

## THE BLESSING OF THE WATER

*At the end of the prayer we say:*

**Amen.**

*When the candle is lifted out of the water, as the people acclaim:*

**Springs of water, bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all for ever.**

## THE MAKING AND RENEWAL OF THE BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Do you renounce Satan?

**I do.**

And all his works?

**I do.**

And all his empty show?

**I do.**

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth?

**I do.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

**I do.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

**I do.**

[ *If there are any to be baptized, this happens here,  
followed by the anointing with Chrism.*  ]

*The Priest concludes:*

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us  
new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our  
sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life. **Amen.**

*The people are sprinkled with the Holy Water as we sing:*

We shall draw water joyfully, singing joyfully, singing joyfully;  
We shall draw water joyfully from the well springs of salvation.

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*As the Altar is prepared a hymn is sung*

**T**his is the night of new beginnings,  
this is the night when heaven meets earth.  
This is the night filled with God's glory,  
promise of our new birth!

***Christ, be our light!***

***Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.***

***Christ, be our light!***

***Shine in your Church gathered today.***

2. This is the night Christ our redeemer,  
rose from the grave triumphant and free,  
leaving the tomb of evil and darkness,  
empty for all to see.

3. Now will the fire kindled in darkness  
burn to dispel the shadows of night.  
Star of the morning, Jesus our Saviour,  
you are the world's true light!

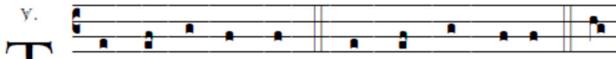
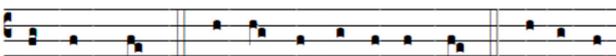
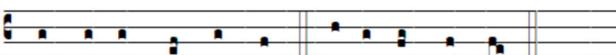
4. Sing of the hope deeper than dying.  
Sing of the pow'r stronger than death.  
Sing of the love endless as heaven,  
dawning throughout the earth.

5. Into this world morning is breaking,  
all of God's people lift up your voice.  
Cry out with joy, tell out the story,  
all of the earth rejoice.

Pray, my brothers and sisters,  
that our sacrifice 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 holy Church.**

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Y.   
He Lord be with you. R. And with your spir-it. Y. Lift  
  
up your hearts. R. We lift them up to the Lord. Y. Let us give  
  
thanks to the Lord our God. R. It is right and just.

*The celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayer until we sing:*



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

*We all KNEEL as the Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.*

*After the Lord's words are said over the bread and the cup we use the following response:*

The Mystery of Faith

The three sad days are quickly sped,  
he rises glorious from the dead:  
all glory to our risen Head!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*At the end of prayer we all sing:*



A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

# COMMUNION RITE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER STAND

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching,  
we dare to say:

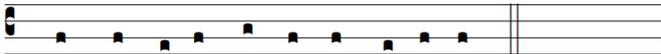
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

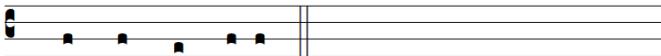
**For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours, now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your apostles: peace I leave you, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will, who live and reign for ever and ever.

**Amen.**



∇. The peace of the Lord be with you always.



℞. And with your spirit.

*Then, if appropriate, the Deacon, or the Priest, adds:*



∇. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

AGNUS DEI  
KNEEL



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COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*When offered the Host or when given a blessing the response is:*  
**Amen.**

DURING HOLY COMMUNION

**L**ove'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!

2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal!  
Christ has burst the gates of hell;  
death in vain forbids him rise;  
Christ has opened paradise.

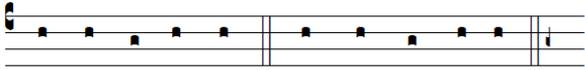
3. Lives again our victorious King;  
where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Dying once, he all doth save;  
where thy victory, O grave?

4. Soar we now where Christ has led,  
following out exalted Head;  
made like him, like him we rise,  
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

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

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## THE SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

y. 

**T** He Lord be with you. R. And with your spir- it.

Bow down for the Blessing

May almighty God bless you through today's Easter Solemnity and, in his compassion, defend you from every assault of sin.

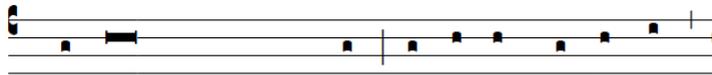
**Amen.**

And may he, who restores you to eternal life in the Resurrection of his Only Begotten, endow you with the prize of immortality.

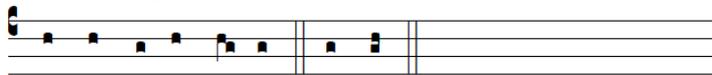
**Amen.**

Now that the days of the Lord's Passion have drawn to a close, may you who celebrate the gladness of the Paschal Feast come with Christ's help, and exulting in spirit, to those feasts that are celebrated in eternal joy.

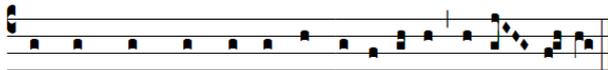
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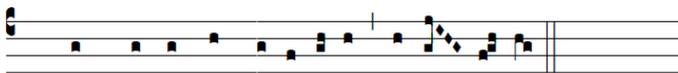
y. May almighty God bless you, the Fa-ther, and the Son, ✠



and the Ho-ly Spir- it. R. A-men.

y. 

**G** O forth, the Mass is end-ed, al-le-lu-ia, al-le- lu- ia.



R. Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le- lu- ia.

## THE EASTER HYMN - THE REGINA CÆLI

**J**oy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia!  
**H**e who thou wast meet to bear, alleluia!  
**A**s he promised hath arisen, alleluia!  
**P**our for us to God thy prayer, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!  
**F**or the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

**O** God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### FINAL HYMN

**A**lleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
The strife is o'er, the battle done,  
the victory of life is won;  
the song of triumph has begun.  
Alleluia!

The powers of death have done their worst,  
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:  
let shout of holy joy outburst.  
Alleluia!

2. The three sad days are quickly sped,  
he rises glorious from the dead:  
all glory to our risen Head!  
Alleluia!

3. He closed the yawning gates of hell,  
the bars from heaven's high portals fell;  
let hymns of praise his triumphs tell!  
Alleluia!

4. Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee,  
from death's dread sting thy servants free,  
that we may live and sing to thee.  
Alleluia!