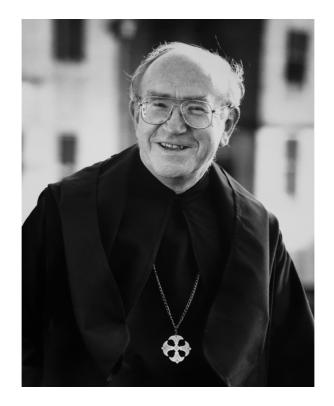
FUNERAL MASS



DOM STEPHEN ORTIGER 21st February 1940 - 27th January 2024



Saturday 17th February 2024 at 10:30am

Rt Rev. Dom Stephen Ortiger

Third Abbot of the Monastery of Our Lady, Help of Christians at Worth (1994-2002)

Titular Abbot of Bury St Edmunds

Died on the 27th January 2024 in the eighty-fourth year of his age, the sixty-second of his profession, and the fifty-seventh of his priesthood.

May he rest in peace

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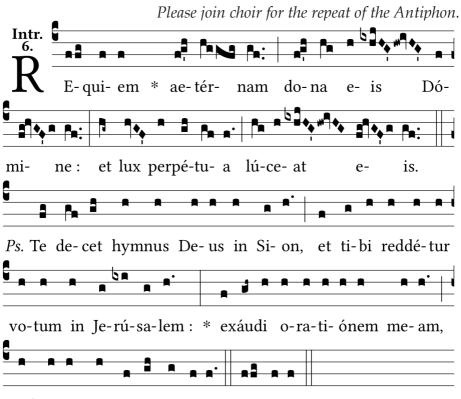
ENTRANCE HYMN

Please Stand

- 1. God, whose almighty Word chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight; hear us, we humbly pray, and where the Gospel-day sheds not its glorious ray let there be light!
- 2. Saviour, who came to bring on your redeeming wing healing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind, ah! Now to all mankind let there be light.
- 3. Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove. speed forth your flight! Move on the water's face, bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light!
- 4. Blessed and holy Three. glorious Trinity, wisdom, love, might; boundless as ocean tide rolling in fullest pride, through the world far and wide let there be light!

J Marriott (1780–1825) – Adapted from a tune by F Giardini (1716-1796) in Martin Madan's Collection (1769)

INTROIT CHANT as the altar is censed



ad te omnis ca-ro vé-ni- et. Ré-qui- em.

GREETING AND INTRODUCTION

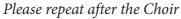
PENITENTIAL ACT

- C: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
- C: Have mercy on us, O Lord
- All: For we have sinned against you.
- C: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
- All: And grant us your salvation.

C: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

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COLLECT

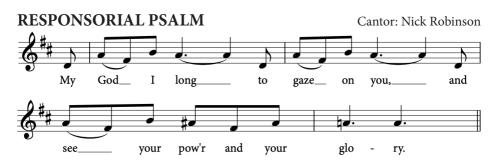
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25: 6-9 Reader: Headmaster of Worth School
The Lord will destroy death for ever. Stuart McPherson

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



SECOND READING

Romans 8: 31-35 37-39 Reader: Eva Harrison

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord; Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. (Jn 6: 51-52)

GOSPEL: Deacon Tony Kinal

John 6: 51-58

Anyone who eats this bread has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

HOMILY: Abbot Mark Barrett

INTERCESSIONS

Readers: Emma Stokes-Heley, Mark Walker, Mary Ann Campbell,

Sophie Tomsett

After each petition

Lord, in your mercy: All: Hear our prayer.

All: Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee,

Blessed art thou amongst women,

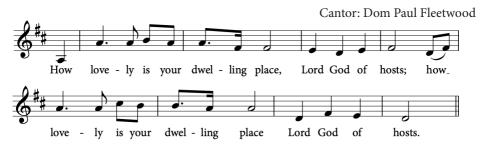
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God

Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS



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C: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: 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.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

C: The Lord be with you.



All: And with_ your spir - it.

C: Lift up your hearts.

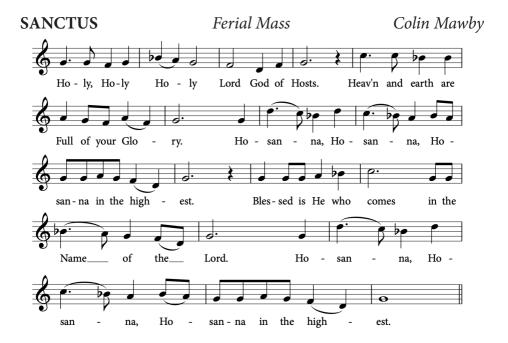


All: We lift__ them up to the Lord_

C: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

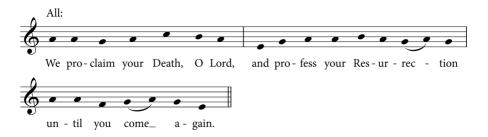


All: It is right_ and just._



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Please kneel



DOXOLOGY & GREAT AMEN



COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Please stand

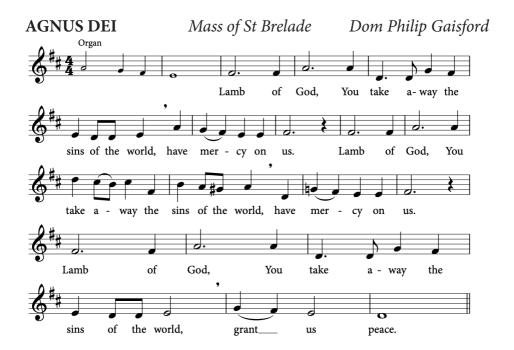
All: Our Father...

C: Deliver us. Lord ... Jesus Christ.

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

SIGN OF PEACE

BREAKING OF THE BREAD



COMMUNION Please kneel

C: Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

Those who do not receive Communion for any reason are invited to come forward for a Blessing; please cross your arms in front of your chest.

Please remain seated until you are directed to a distribution point.

Ministers will also take Holy Communion to those situated elsewhere on the campus.

COMMUNION CHANT sung by the choir

Let perpetual light shine upon him, with your Saints for ever, for you are merciful.

Choir: *Ubi Caritas Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)*

Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

HYMN

- 1. Sweet sacrament divine,
 hid in thy earthly home,
 lo! round thy lowly shrine,
 with suppliant hearts we come;
 Jesus, to thee our voice we raise,
 in songs of love and heartfelt praise,
 sweet sacrament divine.
- 2. Sweet sacrament of peace, dear home of every heart, where restless yearnings cease, and sorrows all depart, there in thine ear all trustfully we tell our tale of misery, sweet sacrament of peace.
- 3. Sweet sacrament of rest,
 Ark from the ocean's roar
 within thy shelter blest
 soon may we reach the shore,
 save us, for still the tempest raves;
 save, lest we sink beneath the waves
 sweet sacrament of rest.
- 4. Sweet sacrament divine, earth's light and jubilee, in thy far depths doth shine thy Godhead's majesty; sweet light, so shine on us, we pray, that earthly joys may fade away, sweet sacrament divine.

Francis Stanfield (1835-1914)

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death! O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary.

HYMN

Choir: Ave verum Corpus

- 1. God everlasting, wonderful and holy,
 Father most gracious, we who stand before thee
 Here at thine altar, as thy Son has taught us,
 Come to adore thee.
- Countless of mercies thou hast lavished on us, Source of all blessing to all creatures living, To thee we render, for thy love o'erflowing, Humble thanksgiving.
- 3. Now in remembrance of our great Redeemer, Dying on Calvary, rising and ascending, Through him we offer what he ever offers, Sinners befriending.
- 4. Strength to the living, rest for the departed, Grant Holy Father, through this pure oblation; May the life-giving Bread for ever bring us Health and salvation.

Harold Riley, b 1903

Choir: O sacrum convivium Thomas Tallis (1505 -1585)

O sacred banquet! in which Christ is received, the memory of his Passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory to us is given. Alleluia

HYMN

- 1. Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast; Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest; Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide, wash me with water flowing from thy side.
- 2. Strength and protection may thy Passion be; O Blessed Jesus hear and answer me; deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me; so shall I never, never part from thee.
- 3. Guard and defend me from the foe malign; in death's dread moments make me only thine; call me, and bid me come to thee on high, when I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

Ascribed to John XXII (1249-1334), tr. Anonymous Music by William Maher SJ (1823-1877)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FINAL COMMENDATION

INVITATION TO PRAYER

SIGNS OF FAREWELL

During the sprinkling with Bapismal Water & Censing of the Coffin the choir will sing:

IN PARADISUM

May the angels lead you into paradise: may the martyrs receive you as you arrive, and bring you into the holy city of Jerusalem.

May the choir of angels receive you, and with Lazarus, once a beggar, may you have eternal rest.

THE PROCESSION TO THE CEMETERY

Organ Voluntaries during the Procession

Fugue in E-flat 'St Anne': Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Gravement from 'Pièce d'Orgue': Johann Sebastian Bach

The Monastic Community, clergy and specially-invited guests will process to the Cemetery for the Burial.

Please remain in your place after the coffin has left. Stewards will then direct the congregation to the Reception which will take place in the Front Quad of Worth School.

After the refreshments you are warmly invited to spend some moments in prayer for Fr Stephen in the Monastic Cemetery.

The Worth Abbey Choir is joined by guests from the Arundel and Brighton Lourdes Choir and by Worthians. They are conducted by Edward Dean, Abbey Director of Music and Monastic Organist.

Organist: Stuart Miles

Please visit our website at worthabbey.net/stephenortiger-rip for tributes and photographs

Please help us to assist a wider range of young people to visit Worth Abbey by donating to the Fr Stephen Ortiger Bursary Fund.

The Worth Abbey Retreat Centre (based around the St Bruno's facility which was founded by Fr Stephen during his Abbacy) is an increasingly popular venue for personal and group spiritual renewal. The Centre offers warm Benedictine hospitality, the space and time to relax and recharge and the option of spiritual guidance from members of the monastic community. It also offers access to the Abbey Church and monastic liturgies, and also the possibility of walks in the woods and grounds of the Worth Abbey Estate.

The fund is especially intended for younger retreatants and youth groups both locally and also from further afield. Your gift to this fund will support Worth Abbey's work among young people, particularly through our outreach mission in Brighton. It will enable a wider range of visitors to discover the opportunities available at Worth Abbey and offer an introduction to monastic spirituality.

We have now renamed this dedicated fund in memory of Fr Stephen Ortiger.

Please consider donating generously to this fund. Donations can be made either by scanning the QR code overleaf or by using the card machines in the reception marquee.

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