



PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION LITURGY OF THE PASSION



25 March 2018

COMMEMORATION OF JESUS' ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM



Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Dear friends in Christ, for five weeks of Lent we have been preparing, by works of charity and self-sacrifice, for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with Christians throughout the world. Christ entered in triumph into his own city, to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion this entry which began his saving work and follow him with a lively faith. United with him in his suffering on the cross, may we share his resurrection and new life.....Let us pray:

*Everyone holds up
their palm crosses*

God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die; let these palms be for us signs of his victory and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Gospel

*A reading from the holy Gospel
according to St John (12:12-16)*

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!' Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written 'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!' His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord
Glory to you, O Lord.*

Merciful God, as we enter this holy week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that, united with Christ and all the faithful, we may one day enter in triumph the city not made with hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heaven, where, with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ lives in glory for ever.

Let us go forth in peace, praising Jesus our Messiah, as did the crowds who welcomed him to Jerusalem.

HYMN 128

*Led by the donkeys and the Choir all who are fit
enough follow out of the West Door, turn right,
process round the church to the South Door and
back in through the South Door to their pew.*

Collect for Palm Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility; and also be made partakers of his resurrection: through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

*A reading from the Book of the
Prophet Isaiah chapter 5, verses:4-9a*

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

*Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God*

Second Reading

*A reading from St Paul's Epistle to the
Philippians chapter 2 verses 5-11*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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HYMN 108

The Reading of the Passion

Separate sheet

Children's Talk *If children are present*

Homily

Intercessions *Page 8 (red book)*

The Peace *Page 9 (red book)*

HYMN 129

Eucharistic Prayer (G) *Page 35*

Lord's Prayer *Page 12 red book*

Breaking of the Bread *Page 13*

Agnus Dei *Page 13 red book*

Giving of Communion

*If you are not confirmed come forward for a
blessing, holding a prayer book*

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer After Communion *Page 16*

HYMN 112

During which a collection is taken

Notices

Benediction

Organ Postlude

Toccata: Giocosa (Gilbert Martin)

6.30pm Tonight Choral Evensong

Troait *Hosanna to the son of David
(David Halls)*

Hymn 557 *Praise to the Holiest*

Psalm 69 *Verses 1-20 (page 216)*

Reading 1 *Isaiah 5:1-7*

Magnificat *Page 19*

Reading 2 *Mark 12:1-12*

N Dimittis *Page 20*

Anthem *Holy Holy Holy (Schubert)*

Hymn 125 *We sing the praise...*

Prayers *Andrew*

Hymn 119 *O Sacred head, sore wounded*

Sermon *Andrew*

Hymn 411 *Dear Lord and Father*

Voluntary

Fugue in C minor BWV 549 (J S Bach)