

Daily Bread

Feria of Holy Week

Monday, 25th March

Isaiah 42: 1-9; John 12: 1-11

Tuesday, 26th March

Isaiah 49: 1-7; John 12: 20-36

Wednesday, 27th March

Isaiah 50: 4-9a; John 13: 21-32

Thursday, 28th March

Exodus 12: 1-4, 11-14;
John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

Friday, 29th March

Isaiah 52: 13 - 53: 12;
John 18: 1 - 19: 42

Saturday, 30th March

Job 14: 1-14; Matthew 27: 57-66

Sunday, 31st March

Easter Day

Acts 10: 34-43; Ps 118: 1-2, 14-24;
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11;
John 20: 1-18
Eucharist (St John's Church), 10.30am

Announcements

Next Sunday, 31 March: There will be no service at St Serf's Church on Sunday, 31 March. There will be a 1982 Eucharist at St John's Church at 10.30am. All are welcome.

Bishop's Lent Appeal: This year's Lent Appeal is for Friends of the Holy Land, who work to support the lives and witness of Christians living in the Holy Land through prayer and practical project, recognizing that their presence in the land where Jesus once walked in an important witness to all Christians.

You can find more about the work and mission of Friends of the Holy Land on their website. Envelopes are available at the back of the church for your donation.

Morning Prayer will be said in person at 9am in St Serf's on Mondays, livestreamed on Facebook on Tuesdays, and shared on Zoom on Wednesdays. For anyone who would like to join on Zoom please ask Rev Tess for the link.

Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday, 28th March

Eucharist & Watch
(St John's Church), 7.30pm

Good Friday, 29th March

Stations of the Cross:
(St Serf's Church), 9.30am

Sunday, 31st March

Easter Day Eucharist
(St John's Church), 10.30am

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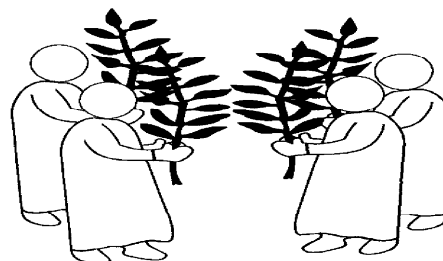
Palm Sunday

24th March 2024

Welcome to our church for this Sunday's service; do stay for tea or coffee afterwards, we look forward to meeting you. If the morning service is the celebration of the Eucharist, all are welcome to make their communion here. Or if you prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward to the rail with arms by your sides.

Collect

Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross. May we follow the example of his great humility and share in the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



Lectionary:

Liturgy of Palms:

Mark 11: 1-11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

When Jesus and his disciples were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Liturgy of the Passion:

Isaiah 50: 4-9a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The servant of the LORD said:
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 awakens – awakens 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 backwards. 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?

Psalms 31: 9-16

R My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of

affliction, and my bones are consumed.

R

11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbours, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

12 I am forgotten like the dead, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.

R

13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. I have said, 'You are my God.

15 My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me.'

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Philippians 2: 5-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

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.

Post Communion

God our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith, that through the death and resurrection of your Son we may be led to salvation; for he is Lord, now and for ever.

Intercessions

Please pray for:

Those who are sick or in hospital:
Dorothea, David, Elizabeth, Valerie, Ina, Joseph, Liz, Isabel, Harry John, Danut, Mihaela, Alan, Mick, Janet, Bishop Kevin, Linda, Christina, Robert, John, Ferne and Sarah.

Recently departed:
Christopher Warwick.

Faithful departed anniversaries:
Alex Leebody and Violet Ritchie.



Reflection

At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept.

As the Passion drew near, Christ was deserted by everyone. The humility of his human presence left him vulnerable to the scorn of his enemies and the cowardice of his friends.

Lord Jesus, betrayed, forsaken, denied, have mercy on me. When I am false to the faith that is in me, when I turn away from the truth, when I am ashamed to confess you before others, have mercy on me. Rouse me with the clear call of new hope, let me follow you faithfully in the coming week, through your sorrowful Passion to your glorious Resurrection that restores the precious things that have been lost. Amen.

Taken from *Following the Gospel through the Year* by Raymond Chapman. Canterbury Press.

