

# Palm Sunday – March 24, 2024

## WELCOME

### BLESSING OF PALMS

God our Saviour, whose Son, Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die, bless these palms and let them be for us signs of His victory; and grant that we who bear them in His name may hail Him as our King and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **amen.**

### ACCLAMATION

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. Amen**

## **Psalm 24**

<sup>1</sup> The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

<sup>2</sup> for he founded it on the seas  
and established it on the waters.

<sup>3</sup> Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD?

Who may stand in his holy place?

<sup>4</sup> The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol  
or swear by a false god.

<sup>5</sup> They will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God their Saviour.

<sup>6</sup> Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob.

<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, you gates;  
be lifted up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>8</sup> Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD strong and mighty,  
the LORD mighty in battle.

<sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, you gates;  
lift them up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>10</sup> Who is he, this King of glory?  
The LORD Almighty—  
he is the King of glory.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen**

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open all desires known and from whom no secrets are hidden. 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## SONG

All glory, laud, and honour (1157)

## CONFESSION

God so loved the world,  
that he gave his only Son, Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

*Silence (personal confession)*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault. We are  
truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For  
the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who  
died for us, forgive us all that is past and  
grant that we may serve you in newness of  
life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION:

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon *you (us)*,  
pardon and deliver *you (us)* from all *your (our)* sins, confirm and strengthen *you (us)* in all goodness, and keep *you (us)* in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Song

Hosanna, (189)

## READING: Philippians 2:5-11

*This is the word of the Lord:  
Thanks be to God.*

## **COLLECT (Special Prayer):**

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. Amen

## **SONG:** (2007)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You,  
we turn to You  
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long  
for You  
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the  
day  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away,  
washed away

*Hosanna, Hosanna  
You are the God who saves us  
Worthy of all our praises  
Hosanna, Hosanna  
Come have Your way among us  
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus*

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You,  
we turn to You  
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You  
make us new  
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the  
day  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away,  
washed away

## **GOSPEL:** Mark 11:1 – 11

*Hear the gospel according to ....  
Glory to you, O Lord*

*This is the Gospel of Christ.  
Praise to you O Lord.*

## **DISMISS CHILDREN**

**SERMON:** The humble king Jesus

## **SONG**

Make way (384)

## **CREED:** (p5)

Let us declare our common faith together:  
(*Nicene Creed*)

## **INTERCESSION:**

*Merciful Father, accept these prayers for  
the sake of your Son our Saviour, Jesus  
Christ. Amen*

## **PEACE**

Christ has called us to live in peace; peace  
with God and peace with one another...

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

**OFFERING:** *If you prefer to contribute through  
the bank: Santander Bank account number:  
**91028603**; sort code: **090155**; St. Saviour's  
Parochial Church Council*

**Gracious God, for all you have given us, all  
you will give us and all you give us here and  
now, we offer you our thanks and praise.  
Bless this offering of our money and of  
ourselves to be used in your service, through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## **SONG (preparation of table):**

Jesus remember me...

**NOTE:** *If you wish prayer for any specific need  
please go to the prayer corner after you have  
taken communion or blessing and a member of  
the prayer team will pray with you.*

## **HOLY COMMUNION (prayer D)**

Jesus, true vine and bread of life,  
ever giving yourself that the world might live,  
help us to share in your death and passion  
and make us perfect in your love. **Amen**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, to  
give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and  
eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks,  
because, for our salvation, he was obedient  
even to death on the cross.

The tree of shame was made the tree of  
glory; and where life was lost, there life has  
been restored.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and *saying*:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Father of all, we give you thanks... (p7)

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

*Jesus taught us to call God Father, so in faith and trust we pray:*

**Our Father in heaven... (p9)**

### Breaking of the Bread

#### Lamb of God

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world; **have mercy on us**

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world; **have mercy on us**

Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world; **grant us peace.**

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that Jesus died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen**

**We do not presume... (p10)**

### SONG

King of kings, majesty (1404)

Meekness and majesty (390)

The servant King (120)

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love you, that  
we may be found beside you  
on the way of the cross, which is the path of  
glory. **Amen**  
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Lord Jesus Christ,  
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a  
servant, and in obedience died on the cross for  
our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and  
to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of  
God the Father. **Amen**

### PRAYER OF THANKS: (p11)

### NOTICES AND BIRTHDAYS

#### FINAL SONG:

Ride on, ride on in majesty! (485)

#### Blessing

May the Father,  
who so loved the world that he gave his only  
Son, bring you by faith to his eternal life.  
**Amen.**

May Christ,  
who accepted the cup of sacrifice  
in obedience to the Father's will,  
keep you steadfast as you walk with him the  
way of his cross. **Amen.**

May the Spirit,  
who strengthens us to suffer with Christ that  
we may share his glory,  
set your minds on life and peace.  
**Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father  
the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and  
remain with you now and forever. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**

### NOTICES

1. **Please help to replenish our foodbank  
which is very low on the basic food items.**  
Thanks to all those who have been  
contributing to this with food and money. It is  
very appreciated.
2. **Please take a copy of the Good News  
Newspaper.** It is a  
good read.  

3. **Please sign up for our annual fish  
(£8:50/£10) and chicken (£4) and chips  
meal on Maundy Thursday.**

4. **Annual General Meeting – Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>** at 12noon. **Please remember reports to be sent to Cornelius by April 7<sup>th</sup>.**
5. **If your name is not on the electoral roll** and you have been coming to our church for at least six months please complete an electoral roll form and give it to a warden. Thanks
6. **Remember your Lent Project is due Next week.** Thanks for your generosity.
7. Please remember to **subscribe and use**  **YouTube** **the bell** if you use  **YouTube** in your **morning and evening prayers.**
  - **Friday fortnight bible Study on zoom every other Friday from 7:30** 
  - **Tuesday evening Bible Study each week on zoom from 8pm.**
8. Church of England daily prayer:   
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

**Prayer of preparation to come to the table.**

O Lord, I know that I am unworthy to receive your Holy Body and Precious Blood; I know that I am guilty, and that I eat and drink condemnation to myself, not discerning the Body and Blood of Christ my God. But trusting in your loving-kindness I come unto you because you have said: *He who eats my Body and drinks my Blood shall dwell in me and I in him.* Therefore, O Lord, have compassion on me and do not make an example of me, your sinful servant. But do unto me according to your great mercy, and grant that these Holy Gifts may be for me healing, purification, enlightenment, protection, salvation and sanctification of my soul and body, and to the expulsion of every evil imagination, sinful deed or work of the Devil. May they move me to trust in you and to love you always, to amend and keep firm my life; and increase in me every virtue, to the keeping of your Commandments, to the communion of the Holy Spirit, and as a good defence before your Judgment Seat, and for Life Eternal in Jesus Christ. Amen.

*St. Basil (died 379)*

**Prayer for the conversion of Muslims during Ramadan**

God our Father, your love for sinners is demonstrated in the death of your Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Christ died for the world including Muslims who believe and practice a false faith. They have a zeal for God but not according to knowledge. They are blind by religion and tradition and cannot see the truth

revealed in Jesus Christ. Open their eyes to your truth, change their hearts to receive Christ as their only Saviour and Lord and bring them into the truth of your gospel, in Jesus' name. **Amen**

**A PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND**

Almighty God, hear the cry of our hearts, as we hold before you the people of the Holy Land. Be near those who have lost lives and loved ones, and be a sure rock to those who are in terror this day. We pray that, through your Spirit of wisdom and mercy, conflict may cease and that the leaders of the nations may work together for peace and justice between Israel and Palestine, the Jews and the Arabs. As you wept over Jerusalem, so we ask that you hear the prayers of those who weep this day for your Holy Land. Remember the innocent sufferers in Israel and Gaza – the children, the elderly and the vulnerable. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER**

*I arise today, through God's strength to pilot me,  
 God's might to uphold me,  
 God's wisdom to guide me,  
 God's eye to look before me,  
 God's ear to hear me,  
 God's word to speak for me,  
 God's hand to guard me,  
 God's shield to protect me,  
 God's host to save me  
 From snares of devils,  
 From temptation of vices,  
 From everyone who shall wish me ill,  
 afar and near.*

*Christ with me, Christ before me,  
 Christ behind me, Christ in me,  
 Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
 Christ on my right, Christ on my left,  
 Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ  
 when I arise, Christ in the heart of everyone who  
 thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who  
 speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ  
 in every ear that hears me. Amen*

## PRAYER FOCUS:

*If you would like someone to pray with you, please go to the prayer corner and a member of our prayer team will pray with you.*

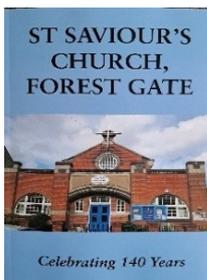


*Please keep these and others in your prayers this week.*

Doreen, Jean and Walter, Monica, **Sue** (*Daisy and family*), **Veronica** and Chester, **Dolly** and Desmond, **Jean** Murphy, **Johannah**, Pat and Ray Vincent, **Pauline** Haywood, **Muriel**, **David** Martins, **Suriyakala** Johnson, Veronica, **Monica** and daughter (**Sheryl**), Charity, Pippa, Duke, Radcliffe and Pauline, **archdeacon Elwin** and family, Andy and Anita, Una, Noel, Jacky (*Ambrose's sister-in-law*), **Maxine** Garrison and family (*for suitable accommodation*), Attlee, **Ann** and Richard (*in Wales*), **Elliot** (*friend of Jenny*), **Jake** (*Rev. Jeremy Fraser's son*), **Kianna** - *Ann's* (*friend of Angela*) granddaughter and her stepmum – **Lucy**...

## CHARITY OF THE MONTH

Christian Aid (see charity board for more information)



**Please remember to promote** and purchase a copy of our book. The majority of the proceeds will go towards helping to sort out our heating. **Donation: £10** Thanks.

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

**Monday** (March 25<sup>th</sup>) – meditation at St. Anthony's RC church (7:30pm)

**Tuesday** (March 26<sup>th</sup>) – meditation at Emmanuel Church (7:30pm)

**Wednesday** (March 27<sup>th</sup>) Meditation at St. Saviour (7:30pm)

**Holy Thursday** foot washing service and informal meal and communion (6pm)

**Good Friday** (March 29<sup>th</sup>) meditation on the cross (10am) and **silent march of witness** from 12pm meet at Capel point.

**Easter** celebration and communion service (March 31) – 10:30

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