

Sunday 10th April 2022
Palm Sunday

10.00 a.m. Family Communion with Children's Church
4.00 p.m. Tea-time Church

Collect for Today

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**

Service Readings

Luke 19:28-40 (*p.79*), Psalm 118:1-2, 19-end (*p.576*)

Please pray for

... Pauline Coulter, Penny Farbridge, Jo & David Garrick, Alan Humphreys and Yvonne Quittenton.

... the family and friends of Gladys Wilmott whose anniversary of death is at this time.

... those who live and work Cathedral Close, Curling Vale and Downing Avenue.

... our Mission partners, the Koens Family, visiting friends and family in the States.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first He suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dear Friends

What's the first thing that comes into your head when Easter is mentioned? Easter eggs, hot cross buns, crucifixion, resurrection?

The cross on hot cross buns represent the cross and the spices are said to represent the spices that were used to embalm Jesus body after his death. Easter eggs are a symbol of new life. When you receive one you should roll it along the ground to represent the stone being rolled away from Jesus' tomb.

New life. This is what Jesus freely gave us through his death on the cross. Saved from death to everlasting life. Deliverance from our sin.

This Sunday is Palm Sunday. The crowd have no idea what is about to happen as they gather to cheer Jesus arriving in Jerusalem. Within a week they would see this gentle, caring, wise man condemned to death in a mock trial, horrifically crucified and miraculously arise from death. To change the course of human history for ever. Salvation to all those who seek it.

This Sunday I am going to take you back to that day Jesus rode into Jerusalem and ask what does salvation mean to us.

Andy

Mission Focus for April: Mosaic Middle East (MME)

Mosaic Middle East (MME) is a Christian charity which All Saints' has been supporting in several ways for a number of years. You may remember that we welcomed its Chief Executive Officer to preach at one of our main services not so long ago. The charity works with vulnerable and persecuted minorities in Iraq and other Middle Eastern countries to relieve immediate needs and assist them in securing sustainable futures. You may also like to know that the former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, joined as a Patron of MME at the end of 2021. Please read what he has to say, and learn more about the work of MME, in the April issue of the church magazine.

Notices

Welcome to Emma and Elliot whose Banns will be read at our 10am service.

Tea-time Church - 4pm today. We'll be celebrating Jesus' the triumphal entry into Jerusalem on a donkey!

Easter services – If you pick up the April magazine, you will see the schedule for our Easter services. Also on the noticeboards.

Maundy Thursday – at our communion service at 8pm, Jeremy has composed an anthem for Ukraine and a new communion setting that will be sung by the choir. Do join us for this very special service. There will be a vigil from 9-10pm after this service.

Good Friday – We'll be 'Walking with Jesus to the Cross' at 10.30am on the field (in church if wet), followed by hot-cross buns! Between 12pm and 3pm we'll be holding 'The Watch' in church.

Leaders needed for Childrens' Church and our Youth Group: If you enjoy working with children and young people, we'd love to welcome you as part of the teams for Children's Church or Youth Club. Both of these groups are growing under the leadership of Jeanette Whiteman and Julie Lodge. If you'd like to consider being involved, please be in touch with either Jeanette or Julie.

Dennis Bottomley – has recently died and his funeral will be held here at All Saints on Monday 25th April at 11am. Dennis was a Churchwarden here in the 1960s. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate Dennis' life. Dennis' wife Lilian's funeral was held here in 2008.

Lent Prayer Focus – Crisis in Ukraine – Do come and join us for Morning Prayer (in church or via Zoom) Mon-Weds 9.15am, and at the Thursday Communion. We'll have a particular focus on the crisis in Ukraine during the season of Lent.

Giving for Ukraine – as well as offering prayers, you may like to make a financial contribution to help those in Ukraine, we suggest you do this through the major channels, such as:

www.dec.org.uk/

donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-crisis-appeal

www.oxfam.org.uk/oxfam-in-action/current-emergencies/ukraine-crisis-appeal/

www.unicef.org.uk/donate/donate-now-to-protect-children-in-ukraine/msf.org.uk/

Walk of Witness – this is taking place on Good Friday in town as usual. 10.30am start outside the Friary centre and McDonalds.

Diary for the Coming Week

Morning prayer Mon to Weds 9.15am in church and on Zoom.

Holy Communion Thurs at 9.15am

- Tues 12th Central Team (Beverly, Henrietta, Robin, Trish), Zoom, 5.15pm
Standing Committee, Zoom, 8pm
- Weds 13th Wednesday Lunch Group, Kempshott, 12.30pm
Lent Course – week 8, Zoom, 7.30pm
- Thurs 14th *Maundy Thursday*
Holy Communion, Church, 9.15am
Holy Communion, Church, 8.00pm, followed by a 9-10pm vigil.
- Fri 15th *Good Friday*
'Walking with Jesus to the Cross', church field (or church if wet),
10.30am, *followed by hot-cross buns*
'The Watch', church, 12pm-3pm
- Sun 17th *Easter Day*
Sunrise Communion, outside church with a fire, 6am, *followed by breakfast at the Vicarage.*
Family Communion, 10.00am
(note: no Tea-time church)
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Daily Readings for the coming week

- Mon 11th Ps. 41, Lamentations 1:1-12a, Luke 22:1-23
- Tues 12th Ps. 27, Lamentations 3:1-18, Luke 22:[24-38]39-53
- Weds 13th Ps. 102, Jeremiah 11:18-20, Luke 22:54-end
- Thurs 14th Ps. 42, Leviticus 16:2-24, Luke 23:1-25
- Fri 15th Ps. 69, Genesis 22:1-18, Hebrews 10:1-10
- Sat 16th Ps. 142, Hosea 6:1-6, John 2:18-22
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Service Readings for Sunday 17th April: Easter Day

Isaiah 65:17-end, Acts 10:34-43, and Luke 24:1-12

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