

Reflection for Holy Week

This week we walk in the footsteps of Jesus in a way a little more familiar from previous years: beginning with the excitement of the hosannas at the triumphant entry into Jerusalem, through the final meal Jesus shared with his disciples, his betrayal in the garden, towards trial and execution. You are all invited to walk some or all of this way with Jesus, in the confident expectation that in some form you will encounter Jesus and others on your journey.

We are fortunate that Preb Philip Sourbut, the Diocesan Director of Mission & Ministry, is giving our Holy Week talks on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday via Zoom during an Evening Liturgy. Please do come and participate. The codes are below. By Saturday night it will be time to eat together with joy, and say Happy Easter—until then it's the way of the cross.

Meeting ID: 896 9238 5998

Passcode: 088956



Codes for Zoom Compline on Sundays during Lent (see Reflection for codes for Holy Week)

Meeting ID: : 767 2850 1397

Passcode: QxdMw1

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NEXT SUNDAY 17.04.2022 Easter Day

SERVICES: 10.30am in Church

READINGS: OT Isaiah 65.17–25
NT Acts 10.34–43
GOSPEL John 20. 1–18



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St Thomas, Exeter

10th April 2022

Palm Sunday

10.30am in Church/Hall. 8pm Compline by Zoom

Today

10.30am Sung Eucharist
with Blessing of Palms and Procession
8pm Compline by Zoom

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
in Holy Week 11th, 12th, 13th April

10am Eucharist
7pm Evening Liturgy & Reflection by Zoom

Maundy Thursday 14th April

9.30-11am St Thomas Tots, Breast
Feeding Support and Easter egg hunt
10.30am Knit & Natter at 19 Maple Road

10.30am *Chrism Mass Cathedral*

7pm Holy Eucharist of the Last Supper,
Watch of the Passion

Good Friday 15th April

10.30am Children's activities,
Stations of the Cross & hot cross buns
2pm Liturgy of the Passion

Holy Saturday 16th April

6pm Easter rites, followed by supper



Liturgy of the Palms Luke 19.28–40

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it." 'So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!' Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, 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**

Isaiah 50.4–9a

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 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? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Philippians 2.5–11

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.

The Passion Gospel according to St Luke

Luke 22.14 – 23.56

Post Communion

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**

NOTICES

For our services in Church, **mask wearing** is not now compulsory but we would still advise it while infection numbers remain high. If you are coming to coffee, we also recommend wearing a mask until you are seated in the Hall.

Knit and Natter April 2022 We shall be meeting every Thursday from 10.30 to midday at 19 Maple Road. Details from Jenny on 01392 498725.

House Group. We will be joining the Evening Liturgy this week, and restarting on Tuesday 19th April. New people very welcome!

Community Larder is receiving donations on Tuesday 10.45-12. (altered time this week).

DBS renewals and checks a message from Carolyn Bryant, Parish Safeguarding Representative. As a result of recent changes DBS checks now need to be renewed every 3 years instead of 5, so everyone will need to complete a new online application. All PCC members will need a DBS check in their capacity as trustees of an organisation working with and supporting children and vulnerable adults. There are also others in connection with their work with children, taking communion to people in their homes etc. Please look out for an email from me with instructions and a link to the online application form over the next couple of weeks and speak to Jane Vowles or me if you have any questions. We appreciate that not everyone has access to email or may need additional support with the application process, providing acceptable ID etc and we would be happy to help if required.
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St Andrew's, Exwick. Please note that Fr David and Rev Sarah are covering some of the Sunday morning services at Exwick after the retirement of Jerry Bird.