



Sunday, 28th March 2021

PALM SUNDAY

8.00am Eucharist	
President & Preacher:	Rev'd Carole Barnet
10.30am Said Common Worship Eucharist	
President:	Fr Shaun Conlon
Preacher:	Rev'd Carole Barnet
Deacon:	Rev'd Adele McKie
Organist & Choirmaster:	Gary Hulme
Music before the service:	Master Tallis's Testament - Herbert Howells
Hymn:	All glory, laud and honour
Reader:	Alex Holmes
Gospeller:	Fr Shaun Conlon
Intercessor:	Canon Susie Mapledoram
Altar Preparation Hymn:	My song is love unknown
Communion Hymn:	Dearest Jesu, we are here
Anthem:	Hosanna to the Son of David - Arthur Hutchings
Final Voluntary:	Fantasia on "All glory, laud and honour" - J.S. Bach (BWV 735)

Services during Holy Week

Following on from last year, when no-one was allowed in church during Holy Week, it's good to be able to join together for worship this week, despite the various restrictions and limitations upon elements of our worship. Do consider putting time aside each day this week to be with God, and to attend corporate worship as St Mary's where you can. A number of spiritual resources are being sent out separately for use at home (or in other places!) for each day of the week.

Palm Sunday

8.00am - Holy Eucharist
 10.30am - Parish Eucharist, with a Reading of the Passion Gospel
(Palms will be blessed and distributed at these acts of worship; additional ones will be in church throughout Eastertide for collection by anyone who isn't in church on Palm Sunday)

Wednesday in Holy Week

12.00 - 1.00pm - Private Prayer

Maundy Thursday

7.30pm - Parish Eucharist, Stripping of the altar & vigil until 10.00pm

Good Friday

2.00pm - The Liturgy of the Day

Holy Saturday

7.30pm - Solemn Paschal Vigil

Easter Day

Usual 8.00 and 10.30 services

Please remember to book in if you plan to attend any of these services, especially the Sunday ones as numbers are gradually increasing but our limits remain unchanged.

Coronavirus and Church Music developments

It was announced on Friday that small choirs could once again begin to sing during acts of corporate worship from today (Sunday 28th), although congregational singing is still not allowed. As before, we have to ensure that our risk assessment allows for choir members to do so safely. Thank you to our Choirmaster Gary and the members of the choir who has risen to the challenge to sing this week at very short notice!

Easter Confessions

If anyone would like to make a sacramental confession before Easter, please contact Fr Shaun to speak about this.

Blessing of the Holy Oils Service

Manchester Cathedral will be holding a blessing of the Oils service, with renewal of vows for clergy and licensed lay workers on Monday of Holy Week (29th March) at 10.30am. Although this had limited tickets for physical attendance, it will be streamed live on Facebook if you would like to watch and participate virtually: you can access this on the morning via the Cathedral website.

Easter Spring Clean in Church

There will be a Spring Clean in church on Holy Saturday (3rd April) from 10.00am until lunchtime. If you can help - for half an hour or the whole morning - just turn up on the day - many hands make light work! If you have any questions, please ask one of the clergy.

Easter Flowers

If anyone would like to make a contribution towards Easter Flowers in Church, just put your donation in an envelope marked 'Easter Flowers' and leave it in the collection plate or give it to one of the clergy/Churchwarden/Welcomers.



Annual Church Meetings/ Electoral Roll revision

These meetings will happen on Sunday 25th April, by Zoom (as we will not be able to meet legally 'in person' again by this date). The details for logging in to the meeting will be advertised nearer the date. In the meantime, do consider whether you might serve as either a member of the Church Council (12 spaces available for an annual appointment to this role) or as a Churchwarden (2 spaces; annual appointment). You need to be on the Church Electoral Roll to undertake these roles; if you think you're not on the Electoral Roll, then please submit an application form by TODAY (you need to be baptised, 16 or over and either resident in the parish or have been attending worship for at least 6 months if you live beyond the parish boundaries.) Nomination forms and electoral roll forms are now available at the back of church. Anyone being nominated will need to fulfil the criteria on the form and have a proposer and seconder, as well as signing themselves to indicate that they are willing to stand. If you are not currently able to get to church and want to stand for election as a PCC member/Churchwarden, or want to add your name to the electoral roll, please contact Fr Shaun (0161 773 2912 or shaunconlon@hotmail.co.uk) for the relevant forms/information.



Lord Let your love shine on those in need of our prayers:

Lily-Rose Ahmadi; David Arnold, Lorayah Bevan, Nigel Birtwistle, Graham Fleet, Andrew Hardman, Helen Hicks, Deborah Kane, Heather Kay, Elaine Kirk, Jean Murphy, James O'Meara, Rev'd Deborah Sandercock-Pickles, Maryam Sedeghi, Beverley Taylor, John Whittaker

Sending love and prayers to the families and friends of:

Barry Cooper and Gail Smith —may they rest in peace and rise in glory.



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Readings for Palm Sunday

The Palm Gospel according to Mark *Mark 11.1-11*

When they 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.

Collect

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.

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah *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?

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

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 of Jesus according to St Mark

Please see separate document attached to the email.

Post-Communion Prayer

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.