Holy Week Services



Holy Week Readings

Monday, 6pm – 6.30pm We will follow the story of Holy Week with scripture readings, taking time to contemplate their meaning in our own lives.



Holy Week Taizé Service Tuesday, 7pm – 7.30pm

A special service for Holy Week in the candle-lit church, giving you time and space to pray and meditate with simple chants and silence.



Holy Week Readings Wednesday, 6pm – 6.30pm

Our biblical readings will continue, with a focus on what will be occurring in the events over the following days.



Maundy Thursday: Last Supper Eucharist Thursday, 6pm – 6.45pm

We will hold an informal service of Holy Communion, just as Jesus did for his disciples on this day almost 2,000 years ago.



Good Friday: An Hour in Front of the Cross Friday, 12noon – 1pm

The events of Good Friday will be told in readings, interspersed with silence and hymns, to allow us time to pray and contemplate.



Easter Day: Celebration Eucharist Sunday, 9am – 10am

Our traditional Easter Service for the Risen Christ, with our choir, La Chorale, singing. Afterwards, join us for drinks and canapés in the Garden, and an Easter Egg hunt.

AA Group: Open Meetings in the Church Centre in English on Tuesdays & Fridays at 6pm. For more information call: 0690 65 61 22 or 0690 54 17 99.

People

Bishop of the Diocese: The Rt. Revd Errol Brooks Vicar: The Revd Charlie Vere Nicoll Visiting Priest: The Revd Canon Dr John Rice Parish Administrator: Philip Trangmar (0690 54 17 99) Parish Office: Mon, Wed & Fri – 9am to 12 noon Parish Email: info.stbartholomews@gmail.com Website: www.stbartholomewsanglicanchurch.com Church Wardens: Marjorie Romney, Trinette Wellesley-Wesley & Rachel Barrett-Trangmar **Treasurer:** Alex Harbord

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Music Director: Ombeline Collin Sunday Pianist: Christian 'Kiki' Petat Sunday Guitarist: Lloyd Younger

Donations: We are an entirely self-funded Church and dependent on your generosity and regular giving. Do talk to one of our leadership about how to most effectively give to the Church.



St. Bartholomew's **Anglican Church**

Palm Sunday 20th March 2016

Dear Friends,

During this period Jesus traveled to Jerusalem knowing that this journey would end in his sacrificial death on the cross for our salvation.

Before he entered the city, he sent two disciples ahead of him to the village to look for a donkey that had never been ridden before. As Jesus sat on the young donkey, he slowly made his humble entrance into Jerusalem; in contrast to how a King would normally be expected enter a city.

Adults and children alike greeted Jesus enthusiastically, just as if he were a King, waving palm branches and crying out to him in welcome: 'Hosanna'.

This is why we celebrate today as Palm Sunday. Let's wave our own palms high today; and why not keep them at home throughout the year to remind us that the Lord will always be welcome in our hearts and into our homes.

With blessings, The Vestry

Forthcoming Events

Bestseller Book Club: Monday 28th March at 6pm The Name of the Rose by Umberto Eco: A historical murder mystery set in an Italian monastery in the 1300s.

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Opening Hymn: All Glory, Lord and Honour		
Refrain:	 Thou art the King of Israel, 	
All glory, laud, and honour,	Thou David's royal Son;	
To thee, Redeemer, King;	Who in the Lord's name	
To whom the lips of children	comest ,	
Made sweet hosannas ring.	The King and Blessed One.	
The company of angels,	The people of the Hebrews,	
Are praising thee on high;	With palms before thee went;	
And mortals, joined with all the things,	Our prayer and praise and anthems,	
Created, make reply.	Before thee we present.	
To thee, before thy	5. Thou didst accept their	
passion,	praises;	
They sang their hymns of	Accept the prayers we bring,	
praise;	Who in all good delightest,	
To thee, now high exalted,	Thou good and gracious King.	
Our melody we raise.		

The Gospel Passion according to Luke

Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so."

Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man."

But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time.

When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him.

Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate.

That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

Then they all shouted out together, "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!" (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.)

Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, "Crucify Him, Crucify Him!"

A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed.

So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him.

But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. [Please Stand]

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."

And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!"

The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong."

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

Having said this, he breathed his last.

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent."

And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Responses for the Eucharistic Prayer

CELEBRANT	The Lord be with you.
ALL	And also with you.
CELEBRANT	Lift up your hearts.
ALL	We lift them up unto to the Lord.
CELEBRANT	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
ALL	It is right to give Him thanks & praise.

CELEBRANT: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

CELEBRANT: Holy and gracious Father, all creation rightly gives you praise. All life, all holiness, comes from you ...

Do this, whenever you drink it, for the remembrance of me. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

ALL: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

CELEBRANT Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation; His glorious Resurrection and Ascension His continual intercession for us in heaven;

With Him, and in Him, and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

(Continuing with the Lord's Prayer on Page 7 of the Booklet)