

Palm Sunday

The Lord Needs You

Hymns

- 9 All glory laud and honour MP 9
67 Breath on me breath of God -MP 67
755 When I survey the wondrous cross
66 Broken for me
550 Ride on ride on in majesty

Collect

True and humble king,
hailed by crowd as messiah
Grant us the faith to know you
and to love you
That we may be found beside you,
On the way of the cross
Which is the path of glory. Amen

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Servant's Humiliation and Vindication

- 2 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 awakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
5 The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backwards.
6 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.
7 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;
8 he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

- 9 It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Psalm 31:9-15

- 9 Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am in trouble;
■ **my eye is consumed with sorrow,
my soul and my body also.**
10 For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing;
■ **my strength fails me because of my
affliction, and my bones are consumed.**
11 I have become a reproach to all my
enemies and even to my neighbours an
object of dread to my acquaintances;
■ **when they see me in the street they flee
from me**
12 I am forgotten like one that is dead, out of
mind;
■ **I have become like a broken vessel**
13 For I have heard the whispering of the
crowd; fear is on every side;
■ **they scheme together against me,
and plot to take my life.**
14 But my trust is in you, O Lord.
■ **I have said, 'You are my God.**
15 'My times are in your hand;
■ **deliver me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me**

Gospel Luke 19:28-40

The Gospel of Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

- 28 After he had said this, he went on ahead, going
up to Jerusalem.
29 When he had come near Bethphage and
Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he
sent two of the disciples, 30 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. 31 If anyone asks you,
'Why are you untying it?' just say this: 'The Lord
needs it.'" 32 So those who were sent departed
and found it as he had told them. 33 As they
were untying the colt, its owners asked them,
'Why are you untying the colt?' 34 They said, 'The
Lord needs it' 35 Then they brought it to Jesus;
and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they
set Jesus on it. 36 As he rode along, people kept
spreading their cloaks on the road. 37 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, 38 saying,

'Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!'

39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to
him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' 40 He
answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the
stones would shout out.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

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 our Lord and King
To the glory of God the Father. Amen

This Week at Cross and Stable

Community Larder

Every Tuesday from 11 - 12:30

Chatterbox

Wednesday 11am to 12:30pm

All Welcome - tea - coffee - cakes - meet & chat.

Choir Practice

There is no Choir practice this Thursday

Zoom Prayers & Bible Study

Friday 2pm Zoom Prayers.

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SUNDAY 27th April

Family Breakfast Club Every 4th Sunday
10 Breakfast - 10:30 Activity - 11 Worship

Today

Our Annual General Meeting follows
the service. Please stay if you possible
can! The meeting itself is quite short.

Holy Week

13th to 19th April!

Monday to Thursday

**Lenten Reflections 12:45 -
1:15 daily**

Good Friday

Service 3 pm to 5 pm

Easter Day

Holy Communion 11 am
Family Easter

Sunday 13th April 2025

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The Donkey

When fishes flew and forests walked
And figs grew upon thorn,
Some moment when the moon was blood
Then surely I was born.

With monstrous head and sickening cry
And ears like errant wings,
The devil's walking parody
On all four-footed things.

The tattered outlaw of the earth,
Of ancient crooked will;
Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb,
I keep my secret still.

Fools! For I also had my hour;
One far fiercer hour and sweet:
There was a shout about my ears,
And palms before my feet.

G. K. Chesterton, 'The Donkey'



A Donkey of African Descent

Quiz Corner

This Week's Question

What is the mark on the back of a donkey said to represent?

Last Week's Answer:

Passion is used with the meaning of "suffering, - the whole story leading to the death.

Zoom Link to I I am Sunday 6th April

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85922248518?pwd=TM4vd00wancwVk52cCtqNm5tMWRZdz09>

Meeting ID: 859 2224 8518. Passcode: 830413

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TODAY

Palm Sunday I I am
Communion
Followed by AGM
Led by Sam

THIS SUNDAY

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Luke 19:28-40

NEXT SUNDAY:

Psalm 118:1-2,14-24*
Acts 10:34-43
Luke 24:1-12

SUNDAY

Easter Day I I am
Communion
Led by Sam

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