

Palm Sunday 2024

*The Commemoration of Our Lord's Entry
Into Jerusalem*



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PARISH CHURCH of TEDDINGTON

THE GATHERING

We gather in the Parish Hall, where Palm Crosses will be distributed.

✠ Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All and also with you.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection.

Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings we may share his risen life.

The people hold up their palms while this prayer is said by the president

God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die; let these palms be for us signs of his victory and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE PALM GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

All Glory to you, O Lord.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ²and 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. ³If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." ' ⁴They went away and found a colt

tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰ 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King!
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring*

1. Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest,
the King and blessed one. *Refrain*

2. The company of angels
are praising thee on high;
and mortal men and all things
created make reply. *Refrain*

3. The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before thee we present. *Refrain*

4. To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. *Refrain*

5. Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King. *Refrain*

6. Thy sorrow and thy triumph
grant us, O Christ, to share,
that to the holy city,
together we may fare. *Refrain*

7. For homage may we bring thee
our victory o'er the foe,
that in the Conqueror's triumph,
this strain may ever flow. *Refrain*

...the hymn is repeated until we have all returned to our seats

THE COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING – *Isaiah 50.4–9a, read by a member of the congregation*

⁴ 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?
All of them will wear out like a garment;
the moth will eat them up.

This is the word of the Lord,
All Thanks be to God

THE PSALM – *Psalm 31.9–16*

- 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.
- 16 **‘Make your face to shine upon your servant, ♦
and save me for your mercy’s sake.’**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

THE SECOND READING – *Philippians 2.5–11, read by the subdeacon*

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be exploited,

⁷but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

⁸he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—

even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name

that is above every name,

¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord,

All Thanks be to God

THE PASSION NARRATIVE – *Mark 14.1 – end of 15*

Evangelist The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Evangelist As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

Pilate ‘Are you the King of the Jews?’

Evangelist He answered him,

Jesus ‘You say so.’

Evangelist Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

Pilate ‘Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.’

Evangelist But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

Pilate ‘Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?’

Evangelist For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

Pilate ‘Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?’

Evangelist They shouted back,

All ‘**Crucify him!**’

Evangelist Pilate asked them,

Pilate ‘Why, what evil has he done?’

Evangelist But they shouted all the more,

All ‘**Crucify him!**’

Evangelist So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Evangelist Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor’s headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

All ‘**Hail, King of the Jews!**’

Evangelist They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.

Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and

divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read,

'The King of the Jews.'

And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

All **'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!'**

Evangelist In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

All **'He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.'**

Evangelist Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

Jesus 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?'

Evangelist which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

All **'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.'**

Evangelist And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

All **'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.'**

Evangelist Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

Silence is kept

Evangelist And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

Centurion 'Truly this man was God's Son!'

Evangelist There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him

and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus saw where the body was laid.

Evangelist This is the Passion of the Lord.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - *We stand with Christ in his suffering.*

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death, and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them, let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may grow a rich union in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground, let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation, that they may find support and encouragement, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure, or sorrow, feel that God is far from them, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

That we, with those who have died in faith, may find mercy in the day of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

**Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
it fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake!
2. He sent no angel to our race
of higher or of lower place,
but wore the robe of human frame
himself, and to this lost world came.

3. For us was baptized, and bore
his holy fast and hungered sore,
for us temptation sharp he knew;
for us the tempter overthrew.
4. For us he prayed; for us he taught;
for us his daily works he wrought;
by words and signs and actions thus
still seeking not himself, but us.
5. For us to wicked men betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death,
for us at length gave up his breath.
6. For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here,
to guide, to strengthen and to cheer.
7. To him whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through his Son,
to God the Father, glory be
both now and through eternity.

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love. **Amen**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

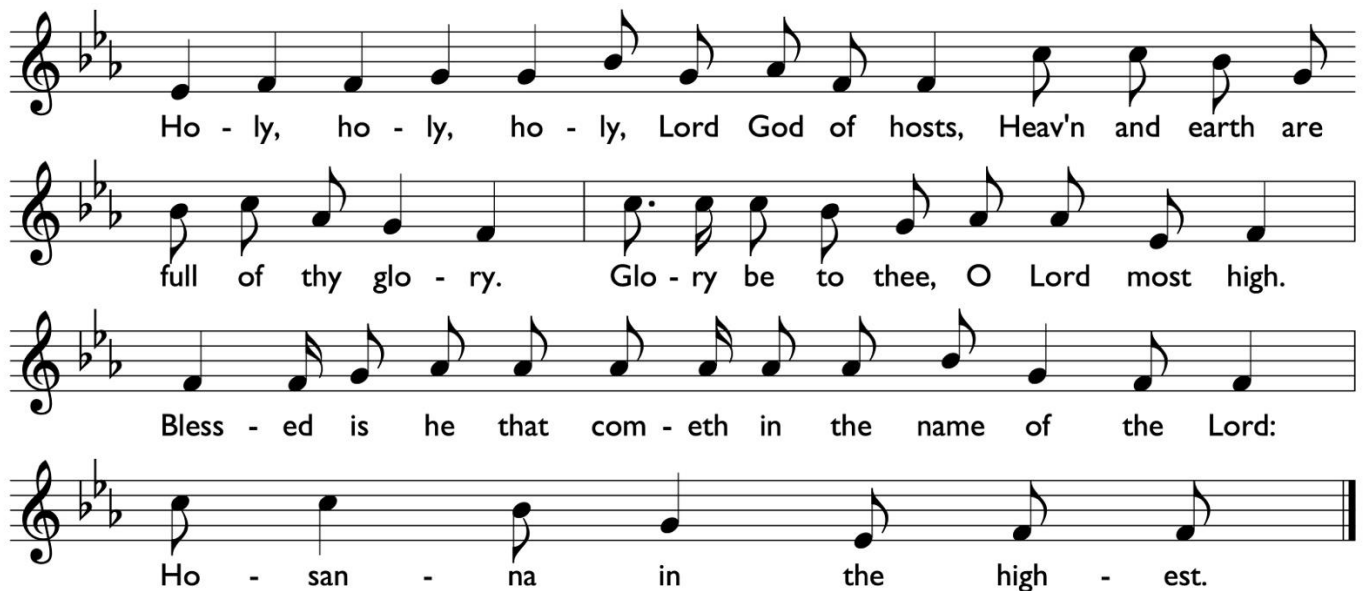
All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and *singing*:



Or, if said:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!
✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!**

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit ✠, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: *Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.*

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: *Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes, and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with The Blessed Virgin Mary, Alban the Martyr, and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Standing at the foot of the cross, and as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

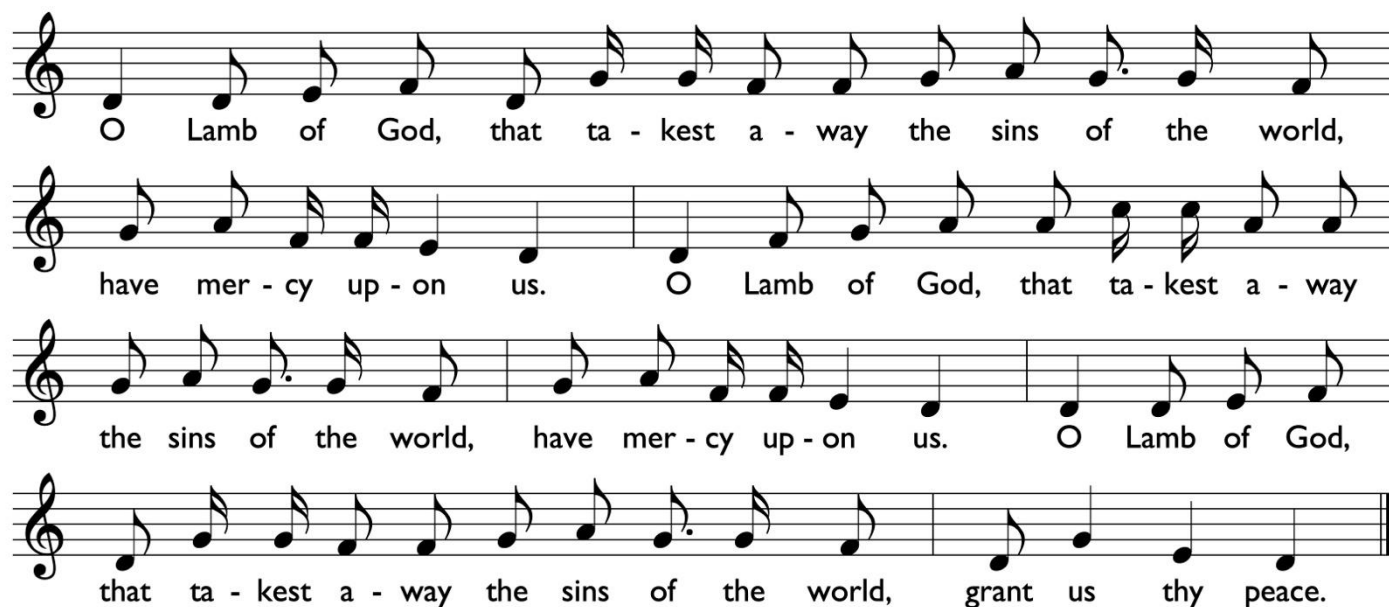
Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

All **we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

AGNUS DEI



GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Everyone is welcome to come forward for Holy Communion or a blessing. Please note that we no longer intinct (dip the bread).

PRAYER AFTER 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**

All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

The Notices are given, and Children's Church share their worship

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

1. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Saviour meek, pursue Thy road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

2. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
O Christ! Thy triumph now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

3. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and
wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

4. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father, on His sapphire throne,
Expects His own anointed Son.

5. Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, Thy power, and
reign

THE BLESSING

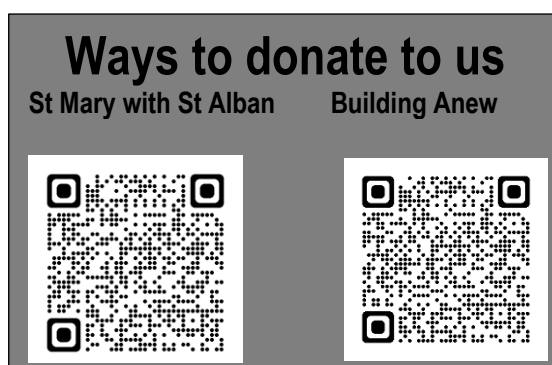
Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ, Amen.**

The ministers and people depart.



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NOTICES

Holy Week Services	<p>Here are all the services on during this Holy Week, a most sacred and moving week in our spiritual lives. It may be that some of what is offered is unfamiliar, but do engage as much as you can.</p> <p>All at SMwSA unless indicated * on live stream</p>	
Mon to Wed in Holy Week	7.30pm	Said Eucharist and Meditation
	8.30pm	Compline on Zoom
Maundy Thursday 28th March	10.30am	Chrism Mass at St Paul's Cathedral
	7.30pm	The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday with Washing of the Feet * and Vigil until Midnight
	8.30pm	Watch of Prayer at the Garden of Repose until midnight
Good Friday 29th March	9.00am	Family Service
	10.30am	Walk of Witness Service, Teddington Cenotaph
	12.00pm	Stations of the Cross Ss Peter & Paul Church
	12.00-2.30pm	Vigil of Prayer
	2.30pm	The Liturgy of Good Friday
Holy Saturday 30th March	7.30pm	Easter Vigil & Paschal Mass Ss Peter & Paul Church
Easter Day 31st March	6.00am	Dawn Vigil & Paschal Eucharist, followed by cooked breakfast
	9.00am	Easter Morning Worship
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist of Easter *
TONIGHT, a real Lenten treat 6.30pm Concert "Music for Lenten Reflection"	<p>Don't miss this Lenten treat and come along tonight - if you haven't already bought your ticket, you can pay on the door. Our Teddington Churches' Singers and Teddington Consort, with Derek Saunders present: Fauré Requiem, and other beautiful choral music for the season at Ss Philip and James Church, Whitton TW2 7DY. £15 adults, £10 students, £5 U18s. Refreshments will follow. There is parking around the church and on Kneller Road.</p>	
Book your Easter Sunday breakfast	<p>Book your place via the QR code for our delicious cooked breakfast with fizz served after the dawn service or sign up at the back of church. Tickets are £8 for adults, £5 for children a beautiful way to welcome in Easter.</p>	
Request for potted spring flowers	<p>In order to create our very special Garden of Repose we would be grateful if you could leave potted spring flowers at the St Alban altar.</p>	



Pastoral Support Roles	<p>Please do respond to our questionnaire about Pastoral Support Roles, every little helps and makes a very real difference. There are many ways you can be involved. In completing this, you are not committing yourself to anything more than time taken to send in your response.</p> 
Lent Appeal Donate via QR code 	<p>Thank you to all who have donated so far to our Lent Appeal which this year is for Building Anew, our project to make our historic parish church a more hospitable place. Thank you to all who make a sacrificial gift of any kind this Lent.</p>
APCM	<p>Thank you for your support at the APCM last Sunday. Spare copies of all reports are at the back of church.</p>
New Daylight Booklets	<p>Please let Cathy Randall know if you had or would like a New Daylight prayer booklet subscription.crr1@btinternet.com 07712598721</p>
Easter Holiday workshops Cygnets Art School Tues 2nd to Thurs 4th Tues 9th - Thurs 11th Sassy Stirrers Cooking Class	<p>For children aged 5-12 in the Parish Hall. Please book direct.</p> <p>Each workshop covers a different project, with a new skill or material to master. There are two workshops per day so you can choose to attend one, several, or all of them!</p> <p>www.cygnetsartschool.com/teddington</p> <p>Bread making, cookie and cake baking, foody games, prizes and goody bags.Wednesday 10th April 10.30-2.30pm in the parish hall. There are leaflets at the back of church.</p> <p>www.bookwhen.com/sassystirrers</p>
Teddington's Biggest Tea Party	<p>Get together to give together. Please host a tea party or coffee morning to help raise funds for Building Anew Join the fun and pick up a leaflet or use the QR code for more details.</p> 
Plain and Pearl Tuesday 9th April 7.30pm Craft Swap supply night	<p>A chance for you to spring clean and swap your craft stash whether it is wool, fabric haberdashery, beads, patterns or books. £2 entrance with cake and refreshments. Stay and bring your own craft or knitting.</p>  <p>Use the QR code to book or view upcoming P&P events .</p>