Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints

Time for God
This week we remember in solemn thought, prayer and liturgy what God has done for us, and as we remember we make Christ's sacrifice present among us.



As Christ gave his all for us, is it too much to ask some time this week to remember, to give thanks, to ask forgiveness for our ungratefulness and lukewarmness?

Please respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer; also those who wish to listen to the closing Organ Voluntary.

LENT VI PALM SUNDAY (24th March 2024)

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)

09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's)

10.30 Procession of Palms

& Choral Mass

18.30 Choral Evensong with Holy Week Address

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 25th March

09.00 Morning Prayer

12.15 Mass

16.00 Evening Prayer

19.30 Compline & Meditation

Tuesday 26th March

09.00 Morning Prayer

09.30 Mass

16.00 Evening Prayer

19.30 Compline & Meditation

Wednesday 27th March - Spy Wednesday

09.00 Morning Prayer

09.30 Holy Communion (BCP)

16.00 Evening Prayer

19.30 Compline & Meditation

Thursday 28th March - Maundy Thursday

09.00 Morning Prayer

19.30 Mass of the Lord's Supper Watching until Midnight (Reading of the Last Discourse at 23.00)

Friday 29th March - Good Friday

11.00 Ecumenical Walk of Witness & Service (Starting at the Town Hall)

13.30 Stations of the Cross

15.00 The Liturgy

19.00 Seven Last Words from the Cross Haydn / Septimus Quartet

Saturday 30th March - Holy Saturday

09.00 Morning Prayer

16.00 Evening Prayer

19.30 The Easter Vigil



Commemoration of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem

Hosanna to the Son of David.

When all are ready the choir sings the ANTHEM in plainsong—then all join together to say:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Behold your king comes to you, O Zion,
meek and lowly, sitting upon an ass.

Ride on in the cause of truth
and for the sake of justice.

Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever;
and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre.

You have loved righteousness and hated evil:
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The priest welcomes the people.
The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The president introduces the celebration using these or other appropriate words. Dear friends 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.

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 and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The GOSPEL of the Palms

Hear the holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 11.1–11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he 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; until 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. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Let us go forth in peace, praising the Lord as did the children of Jerusalem.

The Procession moves to the church, while hymn 509 All glory, laud and honour is sung.

Collect Prayer

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.**

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. This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn 511 is sung.

Hear the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,

'NOT DURING THE FESTIVAL, OR THERE MAY BE A RIOT AMONG THE PEOPLE.'

While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger,

'WHY WAS THE OINTMENT WASTED IN THIS WAY? FOR THIS OINTMENT COULD HAVE BEEN SOLD FOR MORE THAN THREE HUNDRED DENARII, AND THE MONEY GIVEN TO THE POOR.'

And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

'Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.'

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him,

'WHERE DO YOU WANT US TO GO AND MAKE THE PREPARATIONS FOR YOU TO EAT THE PASSOVER?'

So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

'Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, "The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.'

So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he came with the twelve.

And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.'

They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

'SURELY, NOT I?'

He said to them,

'It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.'

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

'Take; this is my body.'

Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them,

'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.'

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,

'You will all become deserters; for it is written, "I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered." But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.'

Peter said to him.

'Even though all become deserters, I will not.'

Jesus said to him,

'Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.'

But he said vehemently,

'Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.'

And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

'Sit here while I pray.'

He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them,

'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.'

And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

'Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.'

He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

'Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.'

And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them,

'Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand '

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.'

So when he came, he went up to him at once and said,

'Rabbi!'

and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

'Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.'

All of them deserted him and fled. A certain young man was following Jesus, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying,

'WE HEARD HIM SAY, "I WILL DESTROY THIS TEMPLE THAT IS MADE WITH HANDS, AND IN THREE DAYS I WILL BUILD ANOTHER, NOT MADE WITH HANDS."'

But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

'Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?'

But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,

'Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?'

Jesus said,

'I am; and "you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power," and "coming with the clouds of heaven."

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

'WHY DO WE STILL NEED WITNESSES? YOU HAVE HEARD HIS BLASPHEMY! WHAT IS YOUR DECISION?'

All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,

'PROPHESY!'

The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

'You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.'

But he denied it, saying,

'I do not know or understand what you are talking about.'

And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,

'This man is one of them.'

But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

'CERTAINLY YOU ARE ONE OF THEM; FOR YOU ARE A GALILEAN.'

But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

'I do not know this man you are talking about.'

At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept. 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,

'Are you the King of the Jews?'

He answered him,

'You say so.'

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

'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.'

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,

'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?'

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,

'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?'

They shouted back,

'CRUCIFY HIM!'

Pilate asked them,

'Why, what evil has he done?'

But they shouted all the more,

'CRUCIFY HIM!'

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

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,

'HAIL, KING OF THE JEWS!'

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,

'AHA! YOU WHO WOULD DESTROY THE TEMPLE AND BUILD IT IN THREE DAYS, SAVE YOURSELF, AND COME DOWN FROM THE CROSS!'

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

'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.'

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.

'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?'

which means,

'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?'

When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

'LISTEN, HE IS CALLING FOR ELIJAH.'

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

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

Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

A respectful silence is observed.

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,

'Truly this man was God's Son!'

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 Joses saw where the body was laid.

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

THE INTERCESSION

We stand with Christ in his suffering. For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

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.

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.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who still make Jerusalem a battle-ground, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

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.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

The Service continues from the Peace on page 11 of the Mass Booklet.

Offertory Hymn 62

Sanctus, Benedictus & Agnus Dei—Leighton in D

Communion Motet—I wonder as I wander—trad. Appalachian, arr. John Rutter

Postcommunion Hymn 86

Closing Voluntary: Grand Jeu—Louis Marchand

Holy Week & Easter 2024

Chesterfield Parish Church—The Crooked Spire Witnessing to New Life through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus

Palm Sunday 24th March

| 8.30 a.m. | Holy Communion (1662) | Fr Mark |
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| 10.30 a.m. | Procession of Palms & Choral Mass | The Vicar |
| 6.30 p.m. | Choral Evensong & Meditation Is there any sorrow | v like my sorrow? |
| | | The Vicar |

Monday 25th March

| 12.15 | p.m. | Mass |
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Compline & Meditation In Dust and Ashes 7.30 p.m. The Vicar

Tuesday 26th March

9.30 a.m. Mass

7.30 p.m. Compline & Meditation Tears from the Cross The Vicar

Spy Wednesday 27th March

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (1662)

Compline & Meditation Procession of the Dead 7.30 p.m. The Vicar

Maundy Thursday 28th March

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30 p.m. The Vicar

followed by watching until Midnight (Holy Cross Chapel)

Town Hall

(reading of the Last Discourse at 11.00 p.m.)

Fcumenical Walk of Witness & Service

Good Friday 29th March

11.00 a.m.

| 1.30 p.m. | Stations of the Cross | |
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| 3.00 p.m. | The Liturgy | The Vicar |

7.00 p.m. Seven Last Words from the Cross—Haydn Septimus Quartet

Holy Saturday 30th March

7.30 p.m. The Easter Vigil The Vicar

Easter Sunday 31st March

| 8.30 a.m. | Holy Communion (1662) | The Vicar |
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| 10.30 a.m. | Procession & Solemn Choral Mass | The Vicar |
| 6.30 p.m. | Festival Choral Evensong & Procession | The Vicar |

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 24th March - Lent VI / Palm Sunday

- Thanks for victory over death through Jesus Christ
- ♦ The Church of the Province of West Africa
- ♦ John Birks; Jack Harding; Annie Clark

Monday 25th March

- Benefice of Crich and South Wingfield
- ♦ Cyangugu The Anglican Church of Rwanda
- ♦ Alice Hopkinson: Winston Brown

Tuesday 26th March

- The Amazing Grace Learning Community
- ♦ Cyprus and the Gulf The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East
- ♦ Kate Bennet

Wednesday 27th March - Spy Wednesday

- . Benefice of Cromford and Matlock Bath
- ♦ Daejeon The Anglican Church of Korea

Thursday 28th March - Maundy Thursday

- Blessing of the Oils service at the cathedral today
- ♦ North Dakota The Episcopal Church
- † George Butt, priest; Edith Peters; Matthew Revis; Henry Stockton; Derek Ecclestone

Friday 29th March - Good Friday

- Kneeling at the foot of the cross, we pray for forgiveness for times we haven't lived up to our faith
 South Dakota - The Episcopal Church
- * Noreen Duffill; Gladys Eames; Roy Clark

Saturday 30th March - Holy Saturday

- For the light of Christ to shine into the darkness
- ♦ Dallas The Episcopal Church
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ♦ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- + Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

Andrea Sutcliffe; John Robinson; Jean Madin; Valerie Alice Seeney; Colin Hutson; Christopher Cain; Jean Morris; Wendy Layton; Ambrose Mason; Paul Bates; John Lockwood; Tony Ragan; Sue Hastings; Jane Bushe; Fiona Solberg; Barbara Carter; Jack; Violet McGhie; David Pedrick; Joseph Watson: Maureen Faulkner: Roxanne

- ♦ Cynthia Watson, RIP
- †June Frankland, RIP

Maundy Thursday Watch - 28th March

Stewards needed for (minimum) half-hour slots to cover the Holy Cross Chapel and the main body of the church. If you are able to help, there is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. Many thanks.

Easter Flower Arrangement Pedestals

Easter pedestals are available for sponsorship of £40. Please contact Dorothy Turner on 07974 829350

Easter Cards and Gifts

Now available in the Gift Shop.

Church Electoral Roll

Being on the church's Electoral Roll enables you to help choose representatives on PCC, Deanery Synod etc. Application forms for new members are now available from the Sacristy or the Gift Shop.

If you are already on the Roll, please advise of any changes of address since last year.

Advance Dates for your Diary:

Monday 1st April - Bach to Bach Day Thursday 4th April - Lunchtime Recitals resume Friday 5th April - Tower Tours resume Saturday 6th April - Chesterfield Philharmonic Choir Saturday 13th April - Chorus UK concert Sunday 19th May - APCM

Next Sunday - 31st March - Easter Day

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)

10.30 Procession & Choral Mass

Readings: Acts 10.34-43 Mark 16.1-8

Wark 10.1-0

18.30 Festival Choral Evensong & Procession

Readings: Psalm(s) 105 Ezekiel 37.1-14

Luke 24.13-35

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