

## **PALM GOSPEL** Matthew 21.1-11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to Christ our Saviour**

When Jesus and the disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

## **Collect of the Passion**

**Almighty God, who, in your tender love for the human race, sent your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his passion, and also, be made partakers of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.**

## **FIRST READING** Isaiah 50.4-9a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The servant of the LORD said: 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 wakens – 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?

For the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **PSALM** Psalm 31.9-16

**Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

9 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly. 10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed. **R** 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbours, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; when they see me in the street they avoid

me. **R** 12 I am forgotten like the dead, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot. 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me they plot to take away my life **R** 14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord. I have said, 'You are my God. 15 My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me. 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving-kindness save me.' **R**

## **SECOND READING** Philippians 2.5-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, 7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, 8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**



## **PASSION GOSPEL** Matthew 27.11-54

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
*(no response)*

*At the end of the presentation of the Passion presentation ...*

This is the Passion of the Lord *(no response)*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

God our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith, that through the death and resurrection of your Son we may be led to salvation; for he is Lord, now and for ever. **Amen**

## **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. **Amen**

The notices for the week are on  
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# The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

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## **Worship today** 5 April **Palm Sunday**

**Holy Week begins** All SEC Church Services **SUSPENDED**

Join in **our online Palm Sunday service** on our website [www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk) and follow the link

You can download the Order of Service there as well as watch the service on your phone, tablet, computer or smart TV

You can also follow the **SEC LIVE streamed Service** at [www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/](http://www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/)

Also worship from St Mary's Cathedral at [www.thecathedral.org.uk](http://www.thecathedral.org.uk)



**7pm Light a Candle** and place it in your window

### **Monday 6—Holy Monday**

8pm Compline and Reflection at [www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)

### **Tuesday 7—Holy Tuesday**

8pm Compline and Reflection at [www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)

### **Wednesday 8—Holy Wednesday**

8pm Compline and Reflection at [www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)

### **Thursday 9—Maundy Thursday**

8pm Compline and Reflection at [www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)

### **Friday 10—GOOD FRIDAY**

2pm Service of the Nails at [www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)

### **Saturday 11—Holy Saturday**

## Next Sunday—12 April **EASTER Sunday**

All SEC Church Services **SUSPENDED**

Please follow **our online Easter Sunday service** on our website

[www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk) and follow the link

To help Reuben in preparing it please send (by email) any easter photos of our churches you have that he can use in the video. Thank you.

### **Your Giving supporting our work and ministry**

If you can change your giving to online or direct to the church bank accounts that would be appreciated, envelopes can be sent to Reuben at his house. As a reference put your name or envelopes number.

**St Johns Account Name:** St Johns Scottish Episcopal Church - Johnstone

**Bank:** Bank Of Scotland, Johnstone.

**Sort Code:** 80-16-53 **Account Number:** 00356544

**St Margarets Account Name:** St Margarets Episcopal Church

**Bank:** Royal Bank of Scotland

**Sort Code:** 83-26-22 **Account Number:** 00196266



### **Intercessions**

**The sick and in need we have promised to pray for:** Liz Fairns, Elsbeth Carberry, Sandra Ferguson, Pauline Campbell, Alasdair Woods, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Scott Taylor, George Wilmshurst, Adam Semple, Margaret Kerrigan, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Gerald Mungavin, Adrian Bull, Norman Sproule, May Goldthorpe, Kate Elvins, Barbara Clark, Martin Hope, Richard Tiplady

**The Departed:** those who have died of COVID-19

Send the names of people who have asked to be remembered in our parish intercessions to the Rector

We pray for those who mourn loved ones

We pray for people working to keep our food stores open

We pray for each other that in our isolation we may keep a good Holy Week

Please see the **new Weekly Intercessions leaflet** to use at home.



During these strange and challenging times of your charity pray for yourself, your loved ones, the nation and all health workers, delivery workers, and staff keeping food and pharmacy stores open along with other workers maintaining our needs during this testing period.

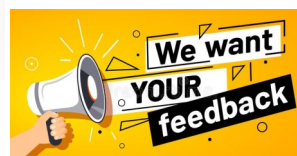
**To download this week from [www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)**

This **Pewsheets**

The new **Weekly Intercessions leaflet**

The new **Reflection sheet**

Online services and material for prayer can be found on our website. Please join in as you are able and tell others that they may worship with us too.



Please email or call Reuben to let him know what you thought of the Palm Sunday service....I need some feedback in planning Easter Sunday's service—what did you

like, value and appreciate....

### **Church Contacts**

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To ask about arrangements for Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms/Christenings, Confessions, House Blessings etc. please contact the Rec-

**Sponsorship: in prayer for people in our hospitals fighting for their lives due to COVID-19**

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