

## **PALM GOSPEL** Matthew 21:1-11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

### **GLORY TO YOU O LORD**

2When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2saying 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. 3If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' 4This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

5 '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.'

6The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; 7they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. 8A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

9The 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!'

10 When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' 11The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

This is the gospel of the Lord. **PRAISE TO YOU O CHRIST**

## **COLLECT**

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love you,  
that we may be found beside you  
on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory. **Amen.**



## **PSALM** Psalm 31:9-16

**R: Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.**

Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, my soul and my body also. 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. **R** 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. **R**

I am forgotten like one that is dead, out of mind; I have become like a broken vessel. 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. **R** But my trust is in you, O Lord. I have said, "You are my God. My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me. Make your face to shine upon your servant, and save me for your mercy's sake." **R**

## **FIRST 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  
This is the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **GOSPEL** Matthew 26:14-27:end

Hear the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **GLORY TO YOU O LORD**

*at the end of the reading...*

This is the passion of the Lord.

## **POST 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**





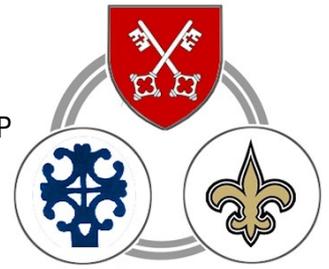
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# The United Benefice of Sharnbrook, Felmersham and Knotting with Souldrop

St Peter's Church, Sharnbrook MK44 1HU, St Mary's Church, Felmersham MK43 7JP

All Saints Church, Souldrop MK44 1EX

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## Welcome to the start of Holy Week 2017.....

### Worship in the Benefice today-**Palm Sunday**

0830 **Souldrop** Holy Communion BCP

0930 **Sharnbrook** All Age Palm Sunday

1100 **Felmersham** All Age Palm Sunday

1800 **Sharnbrook** Benefice Evensong—LLW Andrea

#### **Monday—HOLY MONDAY**

1100 Private burial of late Anne Boulnois at Wilden

1500 **Memorial Service** for the Late Anne Boulnois

2000 **Christian Meditation Group** in SPR

2000 **Compline & address** in Sharnbrook

#### **Tuesday—HOLY TUESDAY**

1000-1330 **Messy Holy Week** in SPR

1500 **Memorial Service** for the Late Margaret Caiger

1930 **SCT Lent Course** in SPR

#### **Wednesday—HOLY WEDNESDAY**

0930 **Holy Communion** CW 2nd Wed Sharnbrook

1000-1330 **Messy Holy Week** in SPR

2000 **Compline & address** in Sharnbrook



**Christian Meditation Group** meets on Mondays at 8pm in St Peter's Room—all welcome!

#### **Intercessions**

**The sick and in need:** Jean, Marjorie, Ron, Connie, Paul, Pat, James, Betty

**The Departed:** Anne Boulnois, Michael Caiger

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

Pray for peace in the world, the people of Syria, our Italian link & those who suffer for their Christian faith



### **Maundy Thursday**

0930 Felmersham Holy Communion

1030 Sharnbrook House Holy Communion

**1930 Sharnbrook Benefice Communion of the Last Supper**

with ceremonies & vigil until midnight



### **GOOD FRIDAY**

1100 **Walk of witness** from Radwell Green to St Marys followed by **Stations of the Cross** & hot cross buns and coffee

12noon Sharnbrook **Stations of the Cross**

1400 Sharnbrook **Liturgy of the Day**

1900 Souldrop **Cross of Christ**



**Holy Saturday** all churches in silence and empty until midday

Morning Prayer is each day at 0800 in St Peter's Lady Chapel

Items for inclusion should be sent to

[sharnbrookbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:sharnbrookbenefice@gmail.com) by 0900 on Wednesdays.

## Easter Eve

**Saturday 15th April evening**

**8pm Easter Ceremonies**—with lighting of paschal candles, vigil, renewal of baptism vows and first communion of Easter



Followed by bring and share party to celebrate Easter

## Easter Day 2017

**0930 Sharnbrook**—Easter Sung Communion

**1100 Felmersham**—Easter Sung Communion

**1500 Souldrop**—Easter Parish Communion

**1800 Sharnbrook** Benefice Evensong



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To make arrangements for Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms/Christenings, Confessions, House Blessings etc. please contact the Rector

**Sponsorship: in prayer for the St Peter's Appeal for new financial support from Sharnbrook villagers**

If you would like to sponsor this sheet please send you £5 donation to The Rectory along with details of the sponsorship (even if anonymous)