

WELCOME TO THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF

ST PETER'S

STURT STREET, BALLARAT



PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY 5th APRIL 2020

TODAY'S SERVICES

BLESSING OF PALMS AND EUCHARIST.

Today we begin the greatest week of the Christian year. We are somewhat constrained in what we can do because of the coronavirus pandemic. However, we are joining with the Church across the entire world, joining in the final journey of Jesus into Jerusalem and commemorating all the events that led to his Crucifixion on the first Good Friday and his Glorious Resurrection on the third day.

This week we will prepare services and reflections for you to use so that you may participate as full as possible in the worship of the Church and find the spiritual enrichment you need at this time.

GREETING

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

Today Christ. Enters in triumph into the Holy

City, to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again to life. We affirm our desire to follow him with a lively faith, so that sharing his sufferings, we may be united with him in his risen life.

BLESSING OF PALMS.

Almighty God, we bless you for these palms, may they be for us signs of the victory of Christ your Son. May we who carry them in his name ever hail him as our king, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord;

Hosanna in the highest!

Let us Pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

The penitential rite is introduced by the celebrant.

God shows great love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.

Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The absolution is pronounced by the celebrant.

COLLECT

Everlasting God,
in your tender love for the human race
you sent your Son to take our nature,
and to suffer death upon the cross:
in your mercy
enable us to share in his obedience to your will
and in the glorious victory of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50. 4-9

PSALM 31. 9-18

SECOND READING: Philippians 2. 5 - 11

THE GOSPEL: (Matthew 21. 1-11)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they 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.’

The Gospel of the Lord:
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The intercessions continue being read by a member of the congregation, and conclude:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

The priest introduces the Prayer of Humble Access with a line of scripture.

Let us pray.

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

GREATING OF PEACE

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross:

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Altar is set for the Great Thanksgiving.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offering for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour, be yours now and always,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

He offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

The tree of defeat became the tree of victory;
where life was lost, there life has been restored.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,

we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying: Therefore, with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious
name, forever praising you and saying:

The Sanctus and Benedictus are sung by all

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth
are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**+ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the
highest.**

The Thanksgiving Prayer continues

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Thanksgiving Prayer continues and concludes

With whom and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship
you Father in songs of never- ending praise.

**+ Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours forever and
ever. Amen.**

The celebrant introduces the Lord's Prayer, saying

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily
bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the
kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

The celebrant breaks the bread and says

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body.

For we all share in the one bread.

AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

DISMISSAL

The celebrant says the post communion prayer.

God our help and strength,
through these holy mysteries
confirm our faith
that by the death and resurrection of your Son
we may walk in the way of salvation.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord, Send us our in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the blessing.

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself,
that you may find in him crucified
a sure ground for faith,
a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sin forgiven
and the blessing.....

Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the dismissal

God in peace to love and serve the Lord.
+ In the name of Christ. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Please pray for those affected and recovering from floods, fires and tropical storms; we continue to pray for those affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. Pray also for Ron, Fr Peter, Leanne, Matthew and Roberta Voss, Barry, Jack, Nathan, David, James, Andrew, Hannah, Heather, Pauline, Dani, Glenys, Bridget, Mark, Brian and Petra.

Electronic Giving: If you would like to give by direct transfer, St Peter's Anglican Church Operating Account.

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Anglicare: Please donate personal Hygiene products, these can be placed in our basket at St Peter's. **Also packaged and tinned foodstuffs are urgently needed.**

SUGGESTED DAILY READINGS:

MON.	Psalm 21	Lamentations 1. 1-12
TUES	Psalm 27	Lamentations. 3. 1-18
WED	Psalm 88	Isaiah 63. 1- 9
THUR	Psalm 55	John 17
FRI	Psalm 40	Mark 15. 21 - 41
SAT	Psalm 30	Mark. 15. 42 - 47

A useful resource at this time:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-liturgy-and-prayer-resources>

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