

9th April 2017

Palm Sunday



WELCOME

To those who are newcomers or visitors.

WORSHIP

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

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Dear Lord, our Saviour King, you were hailed by the crowd on Palm Sunday as the Messiah. May we walk with You this Holy Week and be led to Your path of glory. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

MAKING FRIENDSHIPS

WITH GOD

JUNIOR ALPHA COURSE

Final meeting this evening at 6.30 pm in the Minor Hall. All young people of secondary school age are welcome and anyone hoping to go forward to Confirmation this year is required to attend.

SERVICES - HOLY WEEK AND EASTER DAY

Monday - 7.00 pm Focus on children and youth for all organisations within the Parish. Please wear uniform if applicable.
Tuesday - 6.00 pm Final ALPHA evening in the Minor Hall.
Wednesday - 10.30 am Mid-Week Holy Communion (including prayers for healing).
7.30 pm Focus on Adults.
Good Friday - 10.30 am 'Buns and Crosses' in St Patrick's Church.
12.30 pm Walk of Witness.
7.30 pm The Passion Story in word and song (including Holy Communion).
Easter Day - Family Communion in St Patrick's Church at 11.30 am. No Sunday School.

HEALER PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday 7.00 pm in Clergy Vestry.

PRAYER SUPPORT

Team Leader - Eleanor Burnett,
Tel No. 075 1736 5589.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER After morning and evening services in St Patrick's in the Prayer Space.

LIVING FAITH SERVICE Sunday, 23rd April in St Patrick's Church.
Speaker: Bishop Ken Clarke - A heart of love for others.

WITH EACH OTHER

TEA There will be tea/coffee this morning in St Patrick's after the service.

MOTHERS' UNION All members please meet in Church for the Holy Week service which will start at 7.30 pm. After this service the AGM will take place in the Minor Hall, followed by supper.

OFFICE Closed on Friday, 14th April, Monday 17th April, Wednesday, 19th April and Friday, 21st April.

MAGAZINE Material for May issue to office by 12 noon on Wednesday, 26th April please.

COFFEE MORNING - SUMMER MADNESS Saturday, 29th April, in St Patrick's Church Hall from 10.00 -12.00 pm. Donations of cakes/tray bakes/scones, would be gratefully received on Friday evening, 28th April.

GOSHEN HOUSE GROUP Will meet again on Friday, 5th May at 2 Grange Road, Ballymena.

WITH THE WORLD

CMS Boxes are now at the back of Church to support the CMS project 'Growing in God' Kenya.

A NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY The Castle Players will perform the Sam Cree play "Separate Beds" in the Braid Arts Centre on 2nd & 3rd June at 7.30 pm. The main male character will be played by the Revd Stuart Lloyd.

READINGS IN ST PATRICK'S AT 11.30 AM
Isaiah 50:4-9a (Page 691)
Matthew 21:1-11 (Page 21)

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A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah chapter 50 beginning at verse 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.

The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backwards.

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.

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;

he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

This is the word of the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD

A reading from the gospel according to St Matthew chapter 21 beginning at verse 1

When Jesus and his 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,
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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.'

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A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Philippians
chapter 2 beginning at verse 5

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.

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