

Palm Sunday

28 March 2021

A ministry of prayer for healing and wholeness will be offered in the Holy Innocents Chapel during the Communion of the People. If you would like to make a note of prayer points or special intentions for prayer, please use the card which is available at the rear of the church.

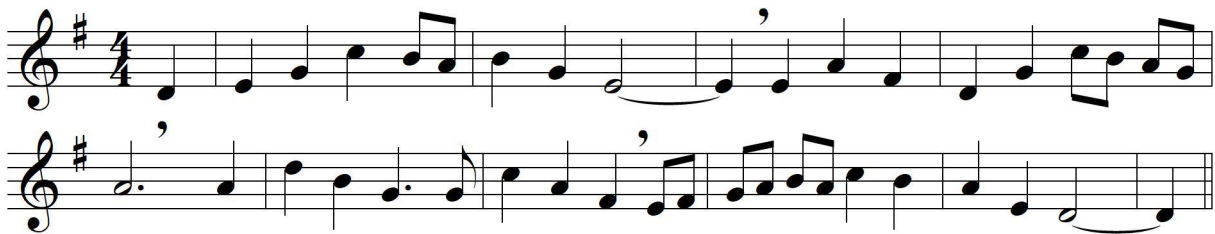
The ceremonies of the Blessing and Procession of Palms begin at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. When the procession reaches the church, the following Responsory is sung:

Responsory

cf Baruch 3:2, Ps 79:9

V. As the Lord entered the holy city, the children of the Hebrews proclaimed the resurrection of life. **R.** Waving their branches of palm, they cried: Hosanna in the Highest. **V.** When the people heard that Jesus was coming into Jerusalem, they went out to meet him. **R.** Waving their branches of palm, they cried: Hosanna in the Highest.

The Procession enters the church, and the following hymn is sung:



The royal banners forward go,
The Cross shines forth in mystic glow,
Where he in flesh, our flesh who made,
Our sentence bore, our ransom paid;

2 Where deep for us the spear was dyed,
Life's torrent rushing from his side,
To wash us in that precious flood,
Where mingled water flowed and blood.

3 Fulfilled is all that David told
In true prophetic song of old,
The universal Lord is he
Who reigns and triumphs from the tree.

4 O Tree of beauty, Tree of light,
O Tree with royal purple dight,
Elect on whose triumphal breast
Those holy limbs should find their rest!

5 On whose dear arms, so widely flung,
The weight of this world's ransom hung,
The price of humankind to pay
And spoil the spoiler of his prey.

6 O Cross, our one reliance, hail!
So may thy power with us avail
To give new virtue to the saint,
And pardon to the penitent.

7 To thee, eternal Three in One,
Let homage meet by all be done:
Whom by thy cross thou dost restore,
Preserve and govern evermore.

Collect

Almighty, ever-living God,
who as an example of humility for the human race to follow
caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross,
graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering
and so merit a share in his Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 50.4-9a

The servant of the LORD said: 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?

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 31.9-16



℞. I have trust - ed in you, O Lord.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and my soul and my body.
For my life is spent with grief and my years with sighing;
my strength fails me and my bones are consumed. ℞.

I am the scorn of my enemies and even of my neighbours:
when my friends see me in the street they avoid me.
I am forgotten like the dead, out of mind:
I have become like a broken vessel. ℞.

For I have heard the whispering of many, and fear is on every side:
they conspire together to take away my life.
But I have put my trust 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.
Let your face shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake. ℞.

Second Reading

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.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high, and gave him the name which is above all other names.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!**The Gospel of the Passion**

Mark 15.1-47

All say the parts in bold type.

- EVANGELIST The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
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,
- PILATE 'Are you the King of the Jews?'
- EVANGELIST He answered him,
- JESUS 'You say so.'
- EVANGELIST Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,
- PILATE 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.'
- EVANGELIST 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,
- PILATE 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?'
- EVANGELIST 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,
- PILATE 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?'
- EVANGELIST They shouted back,
- CROWD **'Crucify him!'**
- EVANGELIST Pilate asked them,
- PILATE 'Why, what evil has he done?'
- EVANGELIST But they shouted all the more,
- CROWD **'Crucify him!'**
- EVANGELIST 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,
- SOLDIERS **'Hail, King of the Jews!'**
- EVANGELIST 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,

PASSERS-BY **'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!'**

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

PRIESTS **'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.'**

EVANGELIST 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,

JESUS 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?'

EVANGELIST which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

BYSTANDERS **'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.'**

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

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

EVANGELIST Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

Silence is kept for a space.

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,

CENTURION 'Truly this man was God's Son!'

EVANGELIST 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.

A pause for reflection follows.

Homily

Fr Gwilym Henry-Edwards

Silence may be kept.

Prayers of the People

Pray for the world and for the church. The prayers may conclude

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

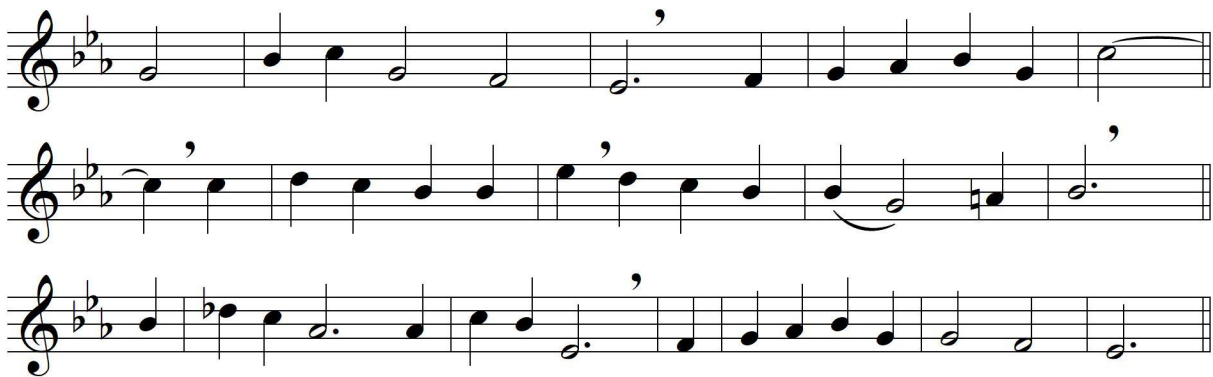
God's Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

During the preparation of the gifts, the hymn is sung. Please note that there will be no Collection taken up: offerings of money can be left in the Collection plates at the front and rear of the pews.



- 1 My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me.
Love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I
that for my sake,
my Lord should take
frail flesh and die?
- 2 He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow;
but men made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend,
my Friend indeed,
who at my need
his life did spend.
- 3 Sometimes they strew his way
and his sweet praises sing,
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King.
Then, "Crucify!"
is all their breath,
and for his death
they thirst and cry.
- 4 Why, what has my Lord done
what makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run
and gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet these are they,
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.
- 5 They rise, and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
to suffering goes,
that he his foes
From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home,
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb,
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was his home;
But mine the tomb
Wherein he lay.

7 **Here might I stay and sing
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend,
in whose sweet praise,
I all my days
would gladly spend.**

Samuel Crossman 1624–83

When all is prepared, the priest says,

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

**May the Lord accept our sacrifice
for the praise and glory of God's name,
for our good, and the good of all God's holy Church.**

Prayer over the Offerings

Gracious God,
the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son,
makes us pleasing in your sight.
Alone we can do nothing,
but through his sacrifice,
may we receive your love and mercy. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 him 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 by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

He was tempted in every way as we are,
yet he did not sin.

And now we give you thanks
because, for our salvation,
he was obedient even to death on the cross.
The tree of shame was made the tree of glory;
and 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:

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea-ven and earth
are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Priest *Congregation*

Let us proclaim the my-ste-ry of faith. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come a-gain.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:



Bles-sing and hon-our and glo-ry and power are yours for ev-er and ev - er. A-men.

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the bread, saying

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.

While the bread is broken Agnus Dei is sung.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All receive Holy Communion.

Communion will be administered in one kind only.

Communicants are asked to approach in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning to their places via the side aisles.

Those who are not to receive the Blessed Sacrament are invited to unite themselves with Jesus by making a Spiritual Communion.

Act of Spiritual Communion

St Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Healing ministry will be offered in the Holy Innocents chapel. Please enter the chapel one at a time. You may wish to record prayer points or remembrances on a piece of paper prior to Mass.

Communion Antiphon

Matthew 26.42

The choir sings

Father, if this cup cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

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.**

Postcommunion Hymn



When Christ was lifted from the earth,
his arms stretched out above
through every culture, every birth,
to draw an answering love.

2 Where generation, class or race
divide us to our shame,
he sees not labels but a face,
a person and a name.

3 Still east and west his love extends,
and always, near or far,
he calls and claims us as his friends
and loves us as we are.

4 Thus freely loved, though fully known,
may I in Christ be free
to welcome and accept his own
as Christ accepted me.

Brian Wren b.1936

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer over the People and Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ
did not hesitate to be delivered into the hands of the wicked
and submit to the agony of the Cross. **Amen.**

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 of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The priest, deacon, or another minister says

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

NOTICES

WORSHIP IN HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Parish Council has agreed on the following schedule of worship for Holy Week and Easter. The changes in the past year, and the ongoing impact of the pandemic on church attendance, mean that there are a number of variations in 2021.

Palm Sunday. On this day we gather at **10.30 am at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral** for an ecumenical Blessing and Procession of Palms before returning to the church for Mass. Please note the late starting time and the location. Those for whom the walk is too much can gather at the Church.

On **Wednesday in Holy Week** we will offer the meditative service of **Tenebrae at 7.30 pm.**

On **Maundy Thursday** the **Mass of the Lord's Supper** will be offered at **7.30 pm.** The traditional footwashing will not be observed this year, as the restrictions imposed by the pandemic continue.

After Mass on Maundy Thursday, the **Watch of the Passion** begins. We have for many years been able to maintain this vigil throughout the night until the liturgies of Good Friday. A roster is available: please consider nominating a time of at least an hour to keep watch: a decision about the length and format of the Watch will be advised next Sunday.

On **Good Friday**, we celebrate the special Liturgy of the Day in two ways, a morning service with a contemporary feel and music, and a 3 pm solemn celebration at which the St John Passion is sung. Both of these services have substantial regular congregations, a significant number of whom do not attend at other times of the year. We will maintain these two offerings at the times of **10 am and 3 pm.**

The **Easter Vigil** with the Lighting of the New Fire and Blessing of the Easter Candle; the Easter Proclamation and Liturgy of the Word; the Renewal of Baptismal Promises; and the First Mass of Easter will be celebrated at **8 pm on Saturday evening.** The Vigil will be followed by a cocktail reception.

Finally, the **Mass of Easter Day** will be at 10 am., and will also be followed by Easter Hospitality!

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Wednesday	7.30 pm	Tenebrae
Thursday	7.30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday	10 am	Good Friday Liturgy
	3 pm	Solemn Liturgy (<i>with sung Passion</i>)
Saturday	8 pm	The Easter Vigil <i>followed by an Easter celebration</i>
Sunday	10am	Solemn Mass <i>with children's ministry and choir</i>

Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to the Locum Priest. Confessions or confidential personal time with a priest are always available on request.

Regular Giving and Donations

Financial support for our mission and ministry through electronic funds transfer (EFT) is an efficient way of making regular contributions to your congregation. Regular giving helps us plan for the future and ensures you continue offering support when you can't make it to Church.

Our Details: Bank: Bankwest, 8 Rundle Mall, Adelaide 5000
BSB 305 122, account no 0324654. Reference: Your name

The Magdalene Centre

*A partnership in mission between St Mary Magdalene's, St John's Halifax Street,
St Peter's Cathedral, and Anglicare SA*

82 Gilbert Street, Adelaide Tel (08) 8305 9389

Non-perishable food for those in need can be left in the baskets at the back of the church or delivered to the Magdalene Centre from 12 noon to 3 pm, Monday to Friday.

Goods for the Bargain Centre are not able to be accepted at the present time owing to Covid-19 restrictions.

Donations of cash are welcome via <https://anglicaresa.com.au/cause/magdalene-centre/>.

The Collective of St Magdalene (Drop-In Centre)

Pray for all those who receive the Collective's weekly support,
and who are seeking meals and companionship throughout the week.

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For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations as the Covid-19 pandemic continues; pray for an end to racist violence and oppression; pray for peace and justice, especially for refugees and asylum seekers.

Pray for all those who are sick in body, mind or spirit, especially Paull, Valerie, Bishop David McCall, Sym, Clarice, Dulcie, Jasmin, Henry, Fr Gary Priest, Fr Bart O'Donovan, Beth, Chris and Linda Braby.

Pray for those who have died recently, especially Muriel Gorrie and Philip Crooks, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. *Rest ✕ eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*