



Palm Sunday of our Lord's Passion

Sunday 2 April 2023

Welcome to St Philip's

We acknowledge the Ngambri and Ngunnawal people, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we worship, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present and emerging. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who worship with us.

St Philip's COVIDSafe Plan We are asking folk not attend church if they feel unwell, to be aware of their hand hygiene and to be mindful of social distance. Thank you. Masks are available for those who wish to wear one.

Pew sheet & Order of Service: the full Pew sheet with more news and reflections is available on our website. The QR code in the pews will direct you to the current edition, please use your phone/tablet and follow along. Service cards, Pew Bibles and Prayer Books are also available.

Offertory: at the offertory when our gifts are brought forward, there is an opportunity for you to make your contribution. A self-serve Eftpos machine is available in the foyer, you can use it before or after the service. St Philip's EFT details are also available if you would like to make a direct transfer: 702-389 05202512. Giving cards are in the foyer if you wish to place something in the offertory bag after giving electronically.

Communion: if you are baptised you are welcome to receive communion. If you would like to receive a blessing please cross your hands on your chest as you come forward.

If you'd like to volunteer as a reader, sidesperson, welcomer or another role on the Roster, then please email rosters@stphilipsoconnor.org.au

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From the Rector

Dear Friends

Welcome to today's celebration of Palm Sunday of our Lord's Passion. Today we enter into Holy Week and journey with Jesus through the events of his Last Supper, arrest, betrayal, trial and death. Extraordinary events which shape our faith and our lives. We need to look no further than the world around us to see such things occurring every day. But even in this week which leads to the cross there is reassurance.

We will hear Matthew's Passion story today, and as I reflected on it this week I noticed that at the Last Supper Matthew adds to the earlier account in Mark's gospel the simple words, "with you." "I shall not drink this fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it *with you* anew in the kingdom of my Father."

Jesus is, for Matthew, Emmanuel, God with us, and the entire Gospel begins and ends with this theme, from "they shall name him Emmanuel" (God is *with you*), in chapter one, to the final lines of the Gospel, "And behold, I am *with you* always, until the end of the age." Reassuring words, words each of us and our world need to hear at this moment and time. In the midst of the challenges of our world, we are reminded of Jesus' promise once again. Yes, Jesus will always be with us; our God will always be with us.

Over the coming days a screen is to be installed in church to enable us to use technology more fully, I hope that we will embrace this development as we engage in the digital and visual age!

I shall travel to the Cathedral on Tuesday for the renewal of Ordination Vows and to receive the Holy Oils blessed by the Bishop.

Blessings to you all for Holy Week, *Martin*

Eucharist for the Palm Sunday of our Lord's Passion

Gathering in God's name

We gather outside the church.

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

We begin this morning, the Great Week of the Christian year. During Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection, by prayer and by works of love and self-denial. Today we come together with the Church throughout the world to call to mind, and to express in word and action, our Lord's Passover from death to life, which is the centre of the Easter mystery.

Today we greet him as our king, although we know that his crown is thorns and his throne a cross. We follow him this week from the glory of the palms to the glory of the resurrection by way of the dark road of suffering and death. United with him in his suffering on the cross may we share his resurrection and new life.

Let us pray: Blessed are you Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ entered into triumph into the holy city this day to complete his work as our messiah. Bless these branches and crosses ✕ that they may be signs of the victory of 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 now lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Amen.

At 10am we will hear the Palm Gospel proclaimed and process around Macpherson St to the front door of the church. At 8am we will pray the final prayer of this introduction and process directly into church. The Palm gospel will be proclaimed at the usual place in the liturgy.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (21:1-11)

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, 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!'

¹⁰When 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.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us pray:

Merciful God, as we enter this holy week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that, united with Christ and all the faithful, we may one day enter in triumph the city not made with hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens, where, with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ lives in glory for ever.

Amen.

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Processional Hymns (10am) 333 & 348 (TiS)

Refrain:

*All glory, praise and honour
to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

You are the king of Israel,
and David's royal son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
our king and blessed one. *[Refrain]*

The company of angels
are praising you on high,
while we and all creation
exultant make reply. *[Refrain]*

The people of the Hebrews
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. *[Refrain]*

To you before your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise:
to you now high exalted
our melody we raise. *[Refrain]*

Their praises you accepted:
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good take pleasure,
our good and gracious king. *[Refrain]*

Theodulph of Orleans (d.821)

Ride on, ride on in majesty;
hark, all the tribes hosanna cry!
O Saviour meek, pursue your road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty;
the winged squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty:
your last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on his sapphire throne
awaits his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O Christ, your power and reign!

Henry Hart Milman 1791-1868

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

God of all, you gave your only-begotten Son to take the form of a servant,
and to be obedient to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus that,
sharing in his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

Amen.

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (50:4-9a)

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?

Psalm 31:9-18

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:
my eye wastes away for grief,
my throat also and my inward parts.

**For my life wears out in sorrow,
and my years with sighing:
my strength fails me in my affliction,
and my bones are consumed.**

I am become the scorn of all my enemies:
and my neighbours wag their heads in derision.

**I am a thing of horror to my friends:
and those that see me in the street shrink from me.**

I am forgotten like one dead and out of mind:
I have become like a broken vessel.

**For I hear the whispering of many:
and fear is on every side;**

While they plot together against me:
and scheme to take away my life.

**But in you, Lord, have I put my trust:
I have said 'You are my God.'**

All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies
and from my persecutors.

**Make your face to shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake.**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians (2:5-11)

⁵Let 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.

Gradual (8am)

Praise to you O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Praise to you O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:5

Praise to you O Christ, king of eternal glory!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (21:1-11)

The Palm Gospel is proclaimed (as above).

10am - The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (26:14-27-27:66)

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Let us affirm the faith of the church

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

In our prayers we remember all in need, particularly: Ian, John, Ben, Hugh, Sarah, David, Otto, Bob, Noel, Deborah, Sue, Molly, Katherine, David & Margot, those unable to gather with us, those in hospital or residential care.

We are continuing to offer support to the ABM project in Vanuatu following the recent cyclones and earthquake. Here is prayer for you to use:

Loving God, console and strengthen all who have been affected by recent cyclones in Vanuatu, those who have lost their gardens – the source of their food, those who have lost their homes, and the children whose schooling has been disrupted.

Through the support and generosity of our churches in Vanuatu and Australia, may they find a way to recovery and rebuilding.

We make our prayer in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We commend to God the recently departed, those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Suzanne Lewis (2/4/1999), Ronald Ian Hall (3/4/2018), Rose Anchell (6/4/2010), Kiran Allister Sen (8/4/1990), Beryl Day (8/4/2001), the victims of war, disaster, pandemic and tragedy, those whose memories are dear to us, and those who have no one to remember them.

In your daily prayer this month, you might practice a contemplative style:

- *Choose a prayer word or phrase that is simple*
- *Relax, then focus on your breathing. Allow the breath to come naturally.*
- *Rest in the presence of God in an attitude of love and emptying yourself of everything else that is worrying or otherwise unhelpful. The prayer word or phrase will help you to do this.*
- *Begin to say prayer word or phrase repeatedly, gently.*
- *If any distractions or memories keep returning (as they will) gently put them aside with the prayer word.*
- *Be aware of God's presence and love.*

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing 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.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you ✠ and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Greeting of Peace

We are the Body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory Hymn (10am) 341(TiS)

My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.

O who am I
that for my sake
my Lord should take
frail flesh, and die?

He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow:
but all 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.

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.

Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.

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.

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?
Heaven was his home:
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.

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
could gladly spend.

Samuel Crossman 1624-84

Offertory

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

God of mercy and compassion,
your Word calls us home to faith and love.
accept all we offer you this day;
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

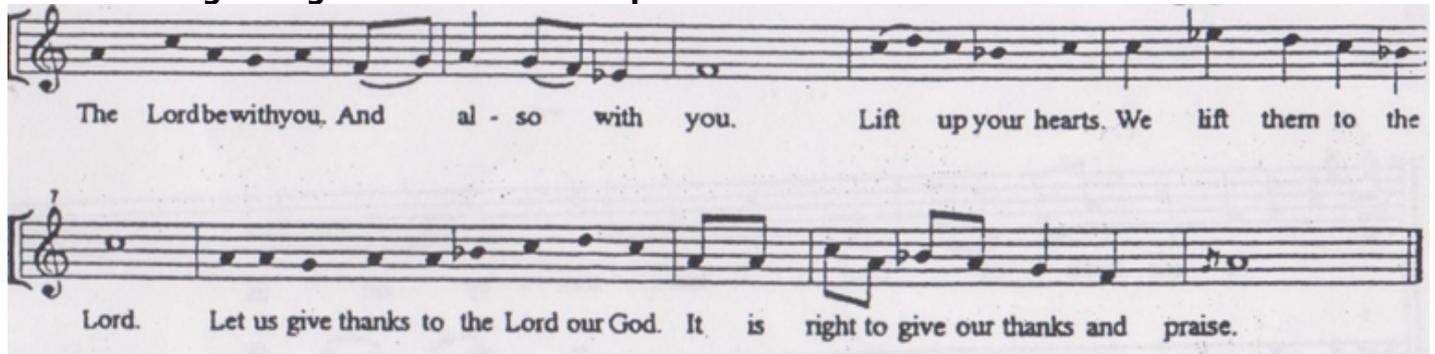
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving
The Sursum Corda (Sung at 10am)

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.



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

It is indeed right and just,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near
the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty.

The power of the life-giving cross
reveals the judgement that has come upon the world
and the triumph of Christ crucified.

He is the victim who dies no more,
the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever,
our advocate in heaven to plead our cause,
exalting us there to join with angels and archangels,
for ever praising you and singing:

Sanctus & Benedictus (Sung at 10am)
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.



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 you 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.

Great is the mystery of faith:
**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

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:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of Bread and Communion

As this broken bread was once many grains,
which have been gathered together and made one bread:

so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Agnus Dei (Sung at 10am)

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.

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the Agnus Dei hymn. Each staff is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the first line of the hymn, the second for the second line, and the third for the third line. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus lamb of God have mer - cy on us.', 'Je - sus bear - er of our sins have mer - cy on us.', and 'Je - sus re - dee - mer of the world, grant us Thy peace. Grant us Thy peace.'

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.**

Communion Antiphon

**'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and
glory in the highest heaven!'**

Luke 19:38

The Sending out of God's People

Let us pray: 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,
Most loving God, **you send us into the world you love.**

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.

Post Communion Hymn (10am) 350(TiS)

There is a green hill far away,
outside a city wall,
where the dear Lord was crucified,

who died to save us all.

We may not know, we cannot tell,
what pains he had to bear,
but we believe it was for us
he hung and suffered there.

He died that we might be forgiven,
he died to make us good,
that we might go at last to heaven,
saved by his precious blood.

There was no other good enough
to pay the price of sin,
he only could unlock the gate
of heaven, and let us in.

O dearly, dearly has he loved,
and we must love him too,
and trust in his redeeming blood,
and try his works to do.

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-95

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God..

News

The Revd Dr Colin Dundon has written for us *Creation to New Creation* a series of studies on the readings for each Sunday in Lent 2023. You will find each study linked week-by-week on the home page of our website. If you would like a printed copy please let Martin know.

Also on the website is a *Lenten Calendar of Reflections, 2023* — Bible readings, art, music, and a reflection for every day in Lent, compiled by

I hope you have made use of our website for study and reflection during this Lenten season and feel well prepared to enter into the great events of this coming week.

The Palm Sunday Rally will once again be held today – 2 April at 1pm in Garema Place. The rally highlights the plight of refugees in this country and calls for kinder and more compassionate policies towards those who come among us seeking asylum.

Flowers for Easter Donations towards the Easter flowers are now gratefully received. Eftpos or cash. If you wish the flowers to be dedicated for an anniversary, or memorial of a loved one, please speak to the Rector.

Our commitment to supporting **St John's Care** continues. Items urgently needed include: Washing powder, toothpaste and toilet paper, Cup a Soup, powdered milk, pasta and pasta sauce, tinned meat and olive oil.

The St John's Care website <https://www.stjohnscare.org.au/> provides information on their services and how we can help.

We are discussing how the Kindergarten might join in with us in our support of St John's Care. As the need for assistance increases in our community this is an opportunity for us all to be involved in outreach.

Pandora's Summer Clearance has begun – come along for a bargain! Our Autumn/Winter Launch will be held on Saturday 29 April, 10am-2pm. More information after Easter!

Reflection

On the day that we commemorate Jesus' solemn entry into Jerusalem we also read in the gospel of Jesus' passion and death. It is quite a contrast as we move from the hosannas and palm waving that accompanied Jesus' entry as messiah and Son of David into David's city—and then crowds in the same city are shouting "Crucify him" after choosing to set the murderer Barabbas free.

You would think that a carpenter riding a donkey, and a group of fishermen leading a pretty motley procession through the busy capital city, wouldn't make much of an impact, but it seems that both the religious and Roman leaders were threatened and hastened to arrange a means of disposing of Jesus. And one of Jesus' own crew was willing to provide the opportunity.

Palm Sunday is also our great entrance into Holy Week, the week when we cherish the memory of Jesus, who as described in the gospel of John, loved us to the extreme. We hear words from the prophet Isaiah that more closely resemble the messianic mission of Jesus than the storied memory of King David, whose glory is in the minds and hearts of the crowds shouting "hosanna." Isaiah speaks of a servant who learns by suffering, who gives his back to those who beat him and his cheeks to those who pluck his beard. It is through these experiences that he has something to say to the weary—"a word that will rouse them."

He is in solidarity with all the innocent who have been unfairly accused, with prisoners of conscience in all times and places, with those facing the death sentence of a terminal illness, with those whose dignity has been stripped and those who are crowned with the thorns of ridicule and exclusion and those forced to drink the bitter gall of the self-righteous. He is with the crucified in every time and place.

Jesus has a word to rouse them: From now on you will see 'the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power' and 'coming on the clouds of heaven.'" It is a word powerful enough to cause the high priest to tear his robe. Only a messiah who can feel in his bones the cry "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me" can convincingly say "let it be fulfilled"—that is, let God's plan work.

In our time, we don't have much tolerance for suffering or much patience for those who are suffering. We are addicted to the quick fix and would rather avert our eyes from the pain of others than enter into it in solidarity.

Not so our saviour, who bore our infirmities. And it is this suffering servant saviour who reveals the almighty one most perfectly. Near to all who cry out, shining the sun and raining the rain on good and bad alike, eager to gather us in as a hen gathers her chicks.

"And behold the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom." The curtain meant to separate mere mortals from the divine, the veil meant to keep out the unworthy is torn, the chasm between humanity and divinity is closed. Jesus' suffering body reveals God's love most perfectly.

Bishop John Stowe OFM

This week @ St Philip's

Today	<i>Palm Sunday of our Lord's Passion</i>
8am	Eucharist, Blessing & Distribution of Palms
10am	Sung Eucharist with Hymns, Blessing & Procession of Palms & Proclamation of the Passion

The Paschal Triduum*

Thursday 6 April *Maundy Thursday*

7pm

Eucharist, Washing of the Feet & Watch of Prayer

Friday 7 April

Good Friday

9am

Morning Prayer

Noon

**Liturgy of the Day: Seven Last Words,
Proclamation of the Cross & Holy Communion**

Saturday 8 April

Holy Saturday

10am

Church preparation

Sunday 9 April

Easter Sunday

6.30am

Lighting of the New Fire, Vigil & Eucharist

From 8.00am

Easter Breakfast *all welcome,*
suggested donation of \$10 per person

9.30am

Festal Eucharist

Readings: Acts 10:34-43, Hymn to the Risen Christ, Colossians 3:1-4, Matthew 28:1-10

***The Paschal Triduum** is the period of three days that begins with the liturgy on the evening of Maundy Thursday, continues through Good Friday and reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil.

Rosters

		2-Apr-23		7-Apr-23		9-Apr-23		16-Apr-23
	Sunday of Month	1st				2nd		3rd
	Liturgical Season	Palm Sunday		Good Friday		Easter Day		2nd Sunday of Easter
	Flowers	Barbara & Susan		n/a		Flower team		Jeannette M
8am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	9am: Morning Prayer	Rev'd Martin	6.30 Lighting of the new Fire, the first Eucharist of Easter	Rev'd Martin	8am	Rev'd Martin
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)							
	Sidespeople	Margaret & Russell		Susan J		Fred, Alison & Alistair		Rhonda & Susan
	Liturgical Assistant							
	Audio Visual Operator	Susan J (server)				Ellie P (Liturgical assistant)		?
	1st Bible reader - OT	Margaret M		TBC		Alistair D		Rebecca P
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Russell M		TBC		Alison D		Julianne S
10am	Celebrant	Rev'd Martin	12pm: Liturgy of the Day	Rev'd Martin	9.30am: Festal Eucharist	Rev'd Martin	10am	Rev'd Martin
	Preacher (if different to Celebrant)							
	Sidespeople & Welcomer	Fred A & helper		Fred A		Helen & Hardy		Jeannette M, Laura W
	Liturgical Assistant	Leighton (crucifer)		Rev'd Robin		Rev'd Robin (Deacon) Rebecca K (Lit assistant) & Leighton (Crucifier)		?
	Audio Visual Operator							
	Musician(s) & Singers/Soloist	Colin F		Colin F		Colin F		Colin F
	1st Bible reader - OT	Sarah B		TBC		Tim G		Ann M
	2nd Bible reader - NT	Rev'd Colin		TBC		Fiona D		Fred A
	Morning Tea	Ann & Barbara		n/a				<i>no morning tea, Easter Breakfast between services instead</i>

For your Diary

Saturday 29 April

Sunday 7 May

Saturday 27 May 2 – 4pm

Fri 8-Sun 10 Sept

Pandora's Autumn/Winter Launch

SS Philip & James – Patronal Festival

Missional Spirituality - Seminar 3, 2-4pm

Diocesan Synod Canberra GS

We want the war horse.

Jesus rides a donkey.

We want the bird of prey.

The Holy Spirit descends as a dove.

We want the militia.

Jesus calls fishermen, tax collectors, women, and children.

We want the courtroom.

Jesus sets a table.

We want the gavel.

Jesus washes feet.

We want to take up swords.

Jesus takes up a cross.

We want the empire.

Jesus brings the Kingdom of God.

We want the nation.

Jesus calls the church.

We want the roaring lion.

God comes as a slaughtered lamb.

We keep trying to arm God.

God keeps trying to disarm us.