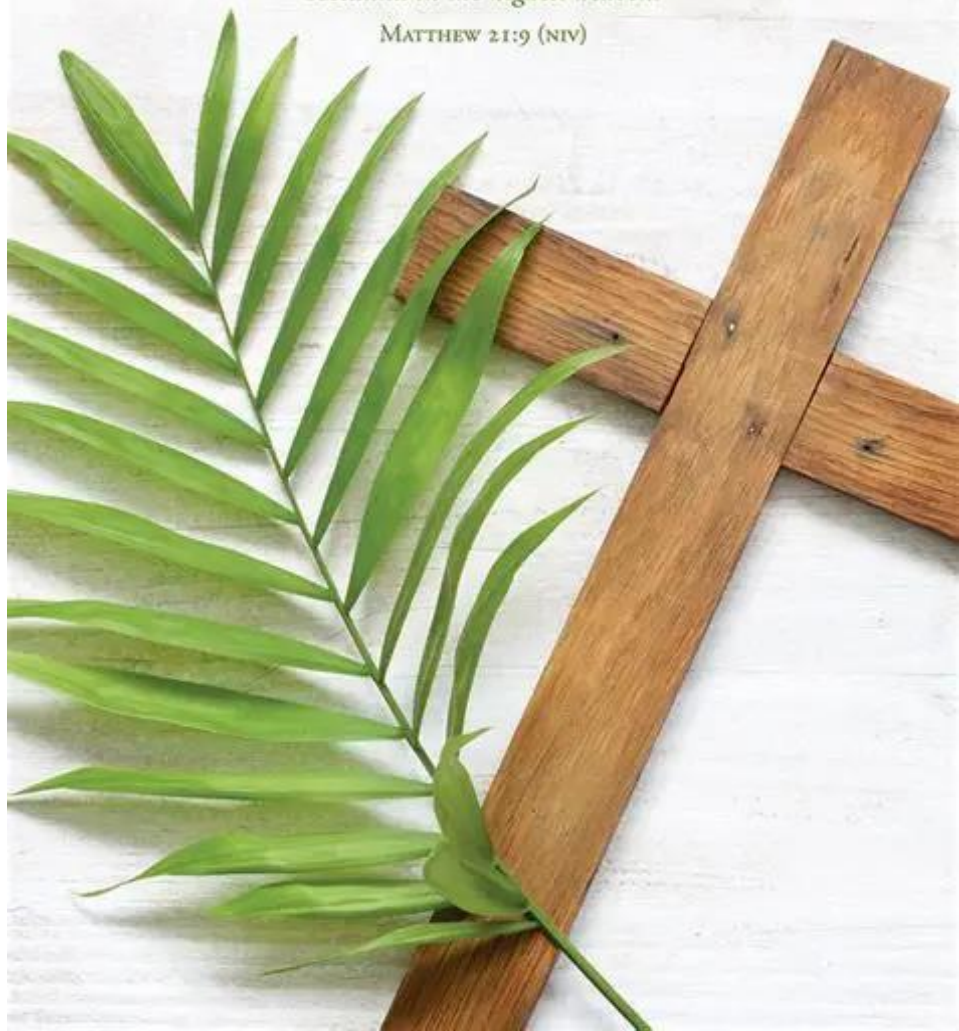




Palm SUNDAY

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!*

MATTHEW 21:9 (NIV)



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Saint Michael and All Angels**
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PALM SUNDAY

March 29, 2026

Services: 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.

"To be a guiding light of Christ's grace, justice, freedom and love"

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: Palm Sunday
SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

7:00 A.M ~ HOLY EUCHARIST
WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS ~

President

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9:00 A.M. ~ THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS AND
SUNG EUCHARIST

President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

Deacon of the Liturgy: The Rev'd Re-Shan A. White
(The Old Harrisonian Society in attendance)

Preacher: The Rev'd Richard O. Alleyne

Lay Eucharist Minister: Mrs. Valdine Browne

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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.

Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered the Holy City of Jerusalem in triumph. The people welcome Him with palms and shouts of praise, but the path before Him led to self-giving, suffering and death. Today we greet Him as our King, although we know 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.

Assist us mercifully with your help, Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy the celebration of those mighty acts whereby you give us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All remain standing for the Gospel

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

Gospeller: The Rev'd Re-Shan A. White

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew the twenty-first chapter beginning at the first verse.

PEOPLE: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

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 fulfill 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."

READER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

PEOPLE: **Praise to Christ our Lord.**

The Blessing of the Palms

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give God thanks and praise**

The President continues:

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour who entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die. Bless these palms and let them be for us signs of victory; and grant that we who bear them in His name may ever hail Him as our King, and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

During the singing of the hymn "All glory, laud, and honour", worshippers come forward to collect their palms.

The Introit **Hymn ~127**

Refrain

All glory, laud, and honour,

*to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest,
the King and blessed one.

Refrain

The company of angels
are praising thee on high,
and mortal men and all things
created make reply.

Refrain

The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went:
our praise and prayer and anthems
before thee we present.

Refrain

To thee, before thy Passion
they sang their hymns of praise:
to thee now high exalted
our melody we raise.

Refrain

Thou didst accept their praises:
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King.

Refrain

*Words: Theodulph of Orleans (760-821),
from Gloria, laus, et honor, Latin;
translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)*

At the 9:00 A.M. service, when the procession reaches the west door, it halts while the following collect is said.

PRESIDENT:

Almighty God whose Son was crucified yet entered into glory, may we, walking in the way of the cross, find it is for us the way of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Introit Hymn ~ 126

Ride on! Ride on, in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry;
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road,
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

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

Ride on! Ride on, in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky

look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
The 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 thy meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Words: Henry Hart Milman (1791-1868)

The Collect: “*Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday*” Page 165
Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon Him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of His great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of His suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Joyanne Blackman-Jarvis
9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Juno Burrows, J.P.

A reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Isaiah, the fiftieth chapter, beginning at the fourth verse.

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 backward.

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?

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *
my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.

10 For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing; *
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.

11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and
even to my neighbors,
a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *
when they see me in the street they avoid me.

12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot.

13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all around; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.

14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, "You are my God.

15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me."

Glory to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy
Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be
forever. Amen.

The Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Remech Matthias

9:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Margaret Aimey

A reading from the Word of God, written in the Letter of Paul to the Philippians, the second chapter, beginning at the fifth verse.

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.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn 145**

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.

There whilst he hung, his sacred side
by soldier's spear was opened wide,
to cleanse us in the precious flood,
of water mingled with his blood.

Fulfilled is now what David told
in true prophetic song of old,
how God the heathen's King should be;
for God is reigning from the tree.

O tree of glory, tree most fair,
ordained those holy limbs to bear,
how bright in purple robe it stood,
the purple of a Saviour's blood!

Upon its arms, like balance true,
he weighed the price for sinners due,
the price which none but he could pay,
and spoiled the spoiler of his prey.

To thee, eternal Three in One,
let homage meet by all be done:

as by the cross thou dost restore,
so rule and guide us evermore.

*Words: Venantius Fortunatus (530-600),
from Vexilla Regis prodeunt, Latin;p
translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)
and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern.*

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The Holy Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27:66

**To be narrated (see leaflet at 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.,
respectively)**

The Narrator: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

The Narrator: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to Matthew.

The Sermon: The Rev'd Richard O. Alleyne

(Please stand as able)

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or 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,
one in Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation

He came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day He rose again
in fulfilment of 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.

With the Father and the Son
He is worshipped and glorified.

He 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**

(Please sit or kneel)

INTERCESSION FORM “B”

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Intercessors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Linda Springer

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Valdine Browne

LEADER: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

ALL: That we all may be one.

LEADER: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

ALL: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

LEADER: We pray for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons;

ALL: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

LEADER: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

ALL: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

LEADER: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

ALL: That our works may find favour in your sight.

LEADER: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

ALL: That they may be delivered from their distress.

LEADER: Give to the departed eternal rest.

ALL: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

LEADER: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.

ALL: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

LEADER: Let us pray for our needs and those of others.

(Silence is kept)

ALL: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords to your will; and the good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ACT OF PENITENCE

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DEACON:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*1 John 1:8,9*)

(A period of silence shall be kept)

DEACON:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM B

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ALL:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned

against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

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PRESIDENT:

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: *Amen.*

(Please stand as able)

The Greeting of Peace

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PRESIDENT:

Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God In one body by the cross, we meet in His Name and share His peace.

PRESIDENT: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP: “Let there be peace on earth”



Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

Welcome, Greetings & Announcements

THE EUCHARIST

The Offertory Hymn ~ 141 (*vss. 4 & 6 omitted*)

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 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!

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.

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.

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.

Words: Samuel Crossman (1624-1683)

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER “B”

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PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God: *(go to page 128)*

For you bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you: *(go to page 131)*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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!**

(Please sit or kneel)

The Great Thanksgiving “B”

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PRESIDENT:

Holy and gracious Father,
all creation rightly gives you praise.

All life, all holiness, comes from you
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
whom you sent to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

We therefore bring you these gifts,
and we ask you to make them holy by the power of your
Spirit, that they may become the Body and Blood of your
Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who offered Himself in obedience to your will,
the Perfect Sacrifice for all mankind.

On the night He was betrayed,
He took bread,
and when He had given thanks to you,
He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said:
"Take this and eat it:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper He took the cup of wine:
and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them and said:
"Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the New Covenant,
Which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of
sins. Do this, whenever you drink it,
For the remembrance of me."

PRESIDENT:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

ALL:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim

the death of Christ until He comes again.

PRESIDENT:

Father, calling to mind the death your Son
endured for our salvation;
His glorious Resurrection and Ascension;
His continual intercession for us in heaven;
and looking for His coming again in glory,
we offer you, in thanksgiving,
this holy and life-giving sacrifice.

Look with favour on your Church's offering,
and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts
may be filled with your Holy Spirit
and become one body in Christ,
and serve you in unity, constancy and peace.

May He make us a perpetual offering to you and enable us,
in communion with blessed Mary
and the whole company of heaven,
to share in the inheritance of your Saints.
With Him, and in Him, and through Him,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father Almighty,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven
in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL:

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL:

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 Breaking of The Bread “C”

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PRESIDENT:

This is the true bread which comes from heaven.

ALL:

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation “B’

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DEACON:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL:

**Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad
songs of praise to Him. Amen.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**



**The Administration of Communion/Spiritual
Communion**

The Communion Hymns 142 & 147

O sacred head, surrounded
by crown of piercing thorn!
O bleeding head, so wounded,
so shamed and put to scorn!
Death's pallid hue comes o'er thee,
the glow of life decays;
yet angel-hosts adore thee,
and tremble as they gaze

Thy comeliness and vigour
is withered up and gone,
and in thy wasted figure
I see death drawing on.
O agony and dying!

O love to sinners free!
Jesu, all grace supplying,
turn thou thy face on me.

In this thy bitter passion,
Good Shepherd, think of me
with thy most sweet compassion,
unworthy though I be:
beneath thy cross abiding
for ever would I rest,
in thy dear love confiding,
and with thy presence blest.

*Words: Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153),
from Salve caput cruentatum, Latin;
translation: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676), alt., German;
translation: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.*

Hymn ~ 147

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of Glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the cross of Christ my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingling down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

The Post Communion Prayer “C”

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing ~ “**Holy Week**”

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Christ crucified draw you to Himself, to find in Him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

The Recessional **Hymn ~ 143**

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise;

in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways!

O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! That flesh and blood,
which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against the foe,
should strive, and should prevail;

And that a higher gift than grace
should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very self,
and essence all-divine.

O generous love! That he, who smote
in Man for man the foe,
the double agony in Man
for man should undergo.

And in the garden secretly,
and on the cross on high,
should teach his brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

Words: Cardinal John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

THE DISMISSAL

DEACON:

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

Organ Postlude (*Worshippers are invited to sit silently to listen to the voluntary but those who wish to leave at this point may do so quietly.*)

Thank you most sincerely for worshipping at the Cathedral this morning and may the Lord bless us all.



THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9A

Comments “*The servant of the Lord submits to suffering*”

Our reading tells of **the servant who speaks for the Lord and suffers persecution, but still trusts in God’s help and vindication.** This is the third of the “servant songs” that come from a period late in Israel’s exile. The servant might be thought to be the faithful of Israel, the prophet himself, or another historical or idealised figure. The people are weary and tired of the Lord’s calling, but the servant steadfastly continues. Christians have long perceived in these words a foretelling of Jesus’ mission.

Psalm 31:9-16

A psalm of trust by one who looks to the Lord for mercy and protection.

Second Reading: (The Epistle) Philippians 2:5-11

Comments: *“Humbled to the point of death on a Cross”*

From one of the earliest Christian hymns, we hear how Christ Jesus accepted the condition of a servant, was obedient even to the point of death, and was then given the name above every name. It is possible that this poem was adapted by Paul or another disciple from the hopes for a saviour of a people who did not yet know Jesus. He has fulfilled humanity’s dream of one who will share fully in the mortal condition before his exaltation. To him every knee shall bow and every tongue confess the great name of the Lord now known in person, Jesus.

The Gospel of Matthew 26:14—27:66

Comments: *“The passion of the Lord”*

Our Gospel reading is the story of Jesus’ last supper with his disciples, his betrayal in the Garden of Gethsemane, and then his arrest and trials before the Jewish council and Pilate, followed by his final sufferings and death.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

- 1. Gifts, Memorials and Thanksgiving:** Members are invited to donate items for use in worship in memory of loved ones who have passed, and to celebrate birthdays, wedding and confirmation anniversaries and other achievements. Donation options may also include flowers to decorate the church on Sundays or during the Church’s Festivals. We invite your floral contributions for **“Easter Day”**. To offer your donation, you may contact the Administrative Assistant.

2. DEACONS CUPBOARD: Members are reminded of the Deacons' Cupboard ministry, from which the Cathedral is able to provide relief to persons in need of food. Please remember to bring non-perishable food items for the cupboard. Place all gifts in the basket at the West Door. Please help those in need. Thank you.

3. Concert Tickets: Tickets are available for the Solemn Musick for Good Friday, by the St. Michael's Cathedral Choir, which takes place on Friday, April 3, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. in the Cathedral. Tickets ~ \$30.00. Kindly collect from the Administrative Office.

4. BIRTHDAYS

***Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays
this week ~ March 29 to April 4, 2026***

29 Ms. Janice A. Edwards

Ms. Aziza Riley

31 Mrs. Penelope H. S. Small-Molyneaux

1 Ms. Xenia A. Watson

2 The Rev'd Canon George Knight

3 Mrs. Coral E. Riley



May God bless and strengthen you.

DIOCESAN NEWS

1. CHRISM MASS: There will be a Service for the blessing of Oils and the Renewal of Vows, on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 in the Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels at 7:00 P.M.

2. SERVICE OF INSTALLATION: On Sunday, April 12, 2026, at 6:00 P.M., there will be a Service of Installation at the Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels for: the recently appointed Registrar, Ms. Cyrilene Forde, J.P. and Chancellor, Mr. Michael Alleyne, J.P.; and a new Canon to the Cathedral Chapter, The Rev'd Canon Dr. Sonia Hinds, to the stall of St. Aidan.

3. ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD: Transitional Deacons - The Rev'd Re-Shan A. White, The Rev'd Denis Maynard and The Rev'd Stevenson Sobers – will be ordained to the Priesthood on the Feast of St. John the Apostle and Evangelist (Before the Latin Gate), in the Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All angels, Wednesday, May 6, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.



HOLY WEEK

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 29 to April 4, 2026

March 29, 2026 ~ Palm Sunday,

**7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist -
with the Distribution of Palms**

**9:00 A.M. ~ The Palm Sunday Liturgy-
and Sung Eucharist**



Wednesday, April 1, 2026

10:00 A.M. ~ Worship, Reflection and Sacrament.

Deacons in the Cathedral: The final in the Six-Part Series
on “The Wilderness Experience: Challenge and Triumph
along the Christian Journey– *Violence*”

Presenter: The Rev’d Re-Shan A. White

7:00 P.M. ~ CHRISM MASS

President and Preacher:

**The Rt. Rev’d Michael B. St. J. Maxwell, Bishop of
Barbados**



Thursday, April 2, 2026

6:00 P.M. ~ The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday



Friday, April 3, 2026

9:00 A.M. ~The Good Friday Liturgy

11:00 A.M. ~ Choral Matins

6:00 P.M. ~ Solemn Musick for Good Friday



EASTER SCHEDULE
Sunday, April 5, 2026
EASTER DAY
7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist
6:00 P.M. ~ Festal Evensong and
the Hallelujah Chorus



Notes:

Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
March 29 to April 4, 2026

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Sunday of the Passon: Palm Sunday	Psalms 24, 29 Zechariah 9:9-12 1 Timothy 6:12-16	Psalm 103 Zechariah 12:9-11, 13:1, 7-9 Luke 19:41-48
Monday	Psalm 51:1-18 (19-20) Lamentations 1:1-2, 6- 12 Mark 11:12-25	Psalm 69:1-23 Jeremiah 12:1-16 2 Corinthians 1:1-7
Tuesday	Psalms 6, 12 Lamentations 1:17-22 Mark 11:27-33	Psalm 94 Jeremiah 15:10-21 2 Corinthians 1:8-22
Wednesday	Psalm 55 Lamentations 2:1-9 Mark 12:1-11	Psalm 74 Jeremiah 17:5-10, 14-17 2 Corinthians 1:23—2:11
Maundy Thursday	Psalm 102 Lamentations 2:10-18 Mark 14:12-25	Psalms 142, 143 Jeremiah 20:7-11 1 Corinthians 10:14- 17; 11:27-32
Good Friday	Psalms 95 (Invitatory) & 22 Lamentations 3:1-9, 19- 33 John 13:36-38	Psalm 40:1-14(15- 19); 54 1 Peter 1:10-20 John 19:38-42
Holy Saturday	Psalms 95 (Invitatory) & 88 Lamentations 3:37-58 Hebrews 4:1-16	Psalm 27 Job 19:21-27a Romans 8:1-11 <i>Collect for Holy Saturday</i>

Guide to Holy Week



Palm Sunday

Sunday before Easter. Celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Observed with palm branches, parades, and celebration.



Maundy Thursday

Thursday before Easter. Commemorates the Last Supper. Often observed with foot washing, stripping of the altar, and overnight prayer vigil to keep watch with Jesus in the garden.



Good Friday

Friday before Easter. Most solemn day of the church year. Observes the day Jesus was crucified. Observed by praying the Stations of the Cross and three hours of silent prayer while Jesus was on the cross.



Holy Saturday

Saturday before Easter. Observes the day Jesus was in the tomb. This is a day of somber reflection, reflecting on what we'd miss in a world without Jesus.



Easter Sunday

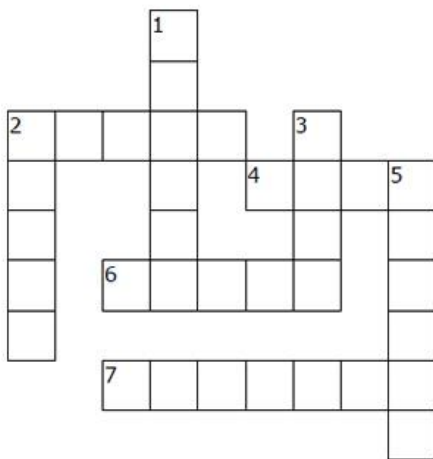
Hallelujah! Christ has risen! This day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Sing hallelujahs and celebrate with great joy.



The Triumphal Entry

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Matthew 21:8 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 21:1-11



ACROSS

2. A loose outer garment without sleeves worn instead of a coat
4. A pathway for vehicles, persons, and animals
6. To speak with a very loud voice
7. A community which is smaller than a town, usually in the countryside

DOWN

1. The part of a tree that grows out from the main trunk and has leaves
2. A large group of people who have gathered together
3. A young male horse (or donkey)
5. An animal like a small horse with long ears

BRANCH
SHOUT

COLT
VILLAGE

ROAD
DONKEY

CLOAK
CROWD

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