

St John the Evangelist Great Stanmore



**Palm Sunday
'The Beginning of the End'**

28th March 2021

The Liturgy of Palm Sunday

Hymn

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

The Greeting

Priest Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
All and also with you.

Introduction

Priest Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, during Lent we have
been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the
celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection.

Today we come together to begin this solemn
celebration in union with the Church throughout the
world. Christ enters his own city to complete his work
as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again.

Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with
him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

We hold up our Palm Crosses for them to be blessed.

Priest God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered
Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die, let these palms
be for us signs of his 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 is
alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
All Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Priest Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
The first commandment is this:
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the
prophets.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Priest Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess we have failed you as did your first disciples.
We ask for your mercy and your help.

Priest When we take our ease
rather than watch with you:
Lord, forgive us.

All Christ, have mercy.

Priest When we bestow a kiss of peace
yet nurse enmity in our hearts:
Lord, forgive us.

All Christ, have mercy.

Priest When we strike at those who hurt us
rather than stretch out our hands to bless:
Lord, forgive us.

All Christ, have mercy.

Priest When we deny that we know you
for fear of the world and its scorn.

Lord, forgive us.

All Christ, have mercy.

Priest Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent, 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.**

The Collect

Priest Let us pray for a closer union with Christ in his suffering
and in his glory.

All **True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.
Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old & New Testament Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Philippians 2:5-11

At the end of each the readers will say.

All This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Palm Gospel

Mark 11:1-11

Priest Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Mark.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

Priest This is the Gospel of the Lord

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Creed

All **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 from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**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.**

The Prayers

The following response is used

All Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

At the end the Trisagion is said:

All **Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

Priest: Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

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

Priest Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table Taking the Bread and Wine

The Offertory Prayer

Priest Jesus, true vine and bread of life,
ever giving yourself that the world might live,
let us share your death and passion:
make us perfect in your love.

All **Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

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

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.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
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, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Priest
All

Great is the mystery of faith.
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Priest

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once
for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious
ascension, and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send your Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest

Lord, remember us in your kingdom,
as we pray in the words you gave us.

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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Priest Every time we eat this bread
 and drink this cup,
All we proclaim the Lord's death
 until he comes.

All 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.

Giving of Communion

Priest Draw near with faith.
 Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
 which he gave for you,
 and his blood which he shed for you.
 Eat and drink
 in remembrance that he died for you,
 and feed on him in your hearts
 by faith with thanksgiving.

The priest and people receive communion.

The Post Communion Prayers

Priest 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,
to the glory of God the Father.

All Amen.

**All Faithful God,
may we who share this banquet
glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
our salvation, life and hope,
who reigns as Lord now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Blessing

Priest May the Father,
who so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
bring you by faith to his eternal life.

All Amen.

Priest May Christ,
who accepted the cup of sacrifice
in obedience to the Father's will,
keep you steadfast as you walk
with him the way of his cross.

All Amen.

Priest May the Spirit,
 who strengthens us to suffer with Christ
 that we may share his glory,
 set your minds on life and peace.

All Amen.

Priest And the blessing of God almighty,
 the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
 be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Hymn

The Dismissal

Priest Go in the peace of Christ.
All Thanks be to God.

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