

## Palm Sunday

### Collect

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.**

### Today's Readings

Luke 19: 28 - 40

Luke 22: 14 - end 23

### Post Communion

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. **Amen.**

#### **Baptism Preparation – Prayer for April**

***Loving father, bless this family with the ability to love unconditionally even  
in the hardest moments. Help them realise what Jesus gave up so that they  
can know love and life. Amen.***

#### **Book: No Matter What**

#### **TSP Prayers for this week**

- ***Thank you for my friends and family***
- ***I am sorry for all the things that I have done***
- ***Please make me be good and respect the world. Amen***

***Please pray for the people that live in New Bradley Hall in our parish and  
for the people who care for them.***

**Gluten Free Wafers - whenever the Eucharist is celebrated gluten free wafers will be available.**

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## SERVICES AT CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION – APRIL

### Sunday 13 April – Palm Sunday Procession from St Andrews URC

10.30am Sung Eucharist

### Monday 14 April

5pm Evening Prayer with Reflection

5.30pm Eucharist

### Tuesday 15 April

5pm Evening Prayer with Reflection

### Wednesday 16 April

10am Midweek Eucharist with Hymns and Songs

5pm Evening Prayer with Reflection

### Thursday 17 April – Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Eucharist of the Lord's Supper followed by the Watch until 10pm

### Friday 18 April – Good Friday

10am Soul Food

2pm The Liturgy of the Cross with Holy Communion

### Saturday 19 April – Holy Saturday

7.30pm Easter Vigil and Eucharist of the Lord's Resurrection

### Sunday 20 April – Easter Day

10.30am Sung Eucharist

All are welcome to Morning Prayer at St Mary's at 8.30am on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

**Pray for our sick** and those who care for them: Evelyn, Pat Hughes, Bob, Carol, Steph Randall, Pam, Fran and Peter, Tim Dalloway, Anne-Marie, Chris Hemsley, Angela, Winnifred Quirke, Winston Sharpe, Reagan, Carole, Carol, Lainey, Edna Barlow, Phil Mayhew, Mike, Henry, Samantha Hart, Brian Genner, Liz Cross, Sarah, Denise, Harold.

MU Members, especially the house bound.

**Recently Departed:** Diane Smith, Thomas Smith, John Thompson, Roger Bakewell, Jean Bengree.

**Fr. Mel's Prayer Meeting** will be back to fortnightly meetings from Monday April 28<sup>th</sup> at the usual time of 7pm.

**Thanks from Fr Adam** Just to say thank you for your prayers over the last couple of weeks and the cards. So far as I know the operation was successful and I have a follow up appointment in a few weeks time. I'm returning to work on a phased return on Monday as I'm still getting really tired and I'm still on a very restrictive diet for a few more weeks but I will be around at the end of Holy Week and look forward to being at Church of the Ascension for the Triduum and St Mary's on Easter Day.

**A big thank you from Lynda & Craig** to everyone who pledged sponsorship for Peter who completed the Brighton Marathon last weekend. Our friends at St Mary's and the Ascension pledged £357 which has boosted his total so far to £1550 for Dementia UK

**Thank you** all for your prayers, love and support following the death of my dear mum Jean. The funeral is taking place here on 13th May at 1.45pm.  
Love Jill, Geoff and Hannah

**Mothers' Union** we will be continuing to collect for their Lent Appeal for Dudley Women's Refuge. The items needed are: **All white please (Asda Basics)** Mugs, Large plates, Side plates, Cereal dishes. Tea towels, Oven gloves, Plastic chopping boards, Kitchen Utensils, Can openers.

### **PARISH RENEWAL AND DEVELOPMENT**

SO – what will our two churches be like in five years' time? Both the People and the Buildings. Have you ever thought about it? If you haven't, it's time to begin!

All the financial grant funding that we've begun to receive is given with the expectation that we'll use it to **grow** in ministry to the community, in numbers at worship, and in the depth of our relationship with God.

SO – get out your crystal ball and begin to write a wish list for the future of the Church of England bit of the Body of Christ in Kingswinford and Wall Heath.

Make a start this week, write down a few thoughts.

In fact, you could email Fr Mel with them – he'd be interested.

**Please email any notices and items for this weekly newsletter to Lindsey in the parish office by Thursday for printing on Fridays. Thank you.**

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