



ST. PETER'S
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WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday 29th March - Palm Sunday

11.15am Holy Communion
Followed by Pete's Eats
6.30pm Reset: Evening Worship

Thursday 2nd April - Maundy Thursday

7pm Holy Communion @ St Paul's

Friday 3rd April - Good Friday

11.30am SCT Walk of Witness:
Service @ St Paul's and walk
to Shipley Market Square
2pm Foot of the Cross

Sunday 5th April - Easter Sunday

6am Sunrise Service @
Northcliffe Park
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 12th April

9.30am All-In service with HC
11.15am Morning Worship
6.30pm Holy Communion

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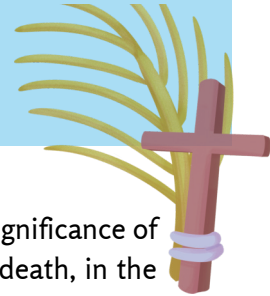
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Palm Sunday & Easter



THIS WEEK'S REFLECTION

Palm Sunday is one of those services that highlights the significance of God's ways. The creator of the world heads towards His death, in the most bizarre way. Although the people shout out to Him as their King and their Messiah, He is riding a colt. He could have had one moment of feeling powerful and kingly. He could have savoured the feeling of being honoured and esteemed. But instead, He comes riding on this young ass, where His legs probably nearly touched the ground. His behaviour reflects how we should be. His behaviour, even at the last reflects a humility that is shocking. The temptation to do otherwise would have been there. He was human after all. But He does not allow this temptation to shift Him.

The people are all for Him in this moment. They have heard Him speak, they have seen Him heal, they have watched how He behaved and they could see that there was something about Him that said He was their Messiah. But it wasn't enough to stop them changing their minds. Shifting from one point of view to another. allowing themselves to be persuaded by the crowd, by the strong voices, the powerful voices.

How easily are we swayed?

How readily do we look to those who have the most power and then decide to join in with them rather than doing the right thing?

Our Saviour came riding on a colt, He came with intent. He came to defeat death, and so rode into Jerusalem knowing the end. The start of Holy Week begins as we journey with Jesus, through the pain of His last few days, where we witness the God of creation accepting all the evil and wrongs of this world, for each one of us.



Easter Lilies

We will soon be decorating the church for Easter with our traditional Easter lilies. If you would like to donate towards the cost of our Easter flowers in memory of someone that you have lost, you can do this via the donation device in church, putting money in an envelope marked 'Easter Lilies' or by making an online transfer into the church account (payment details available from the Welcome Desk) using 'Easter Lilies' as the reference. However you choose to make the payment, please complete a form at the back of church detailing the person(s) to be remembered. Forms can be included in payment envelopes, placed on a collection plate, handed to a member of the staff team or dropped off at the office. All those named in memory will be listed on Easter Day.

Calling all Gardeners and Non Gardeners!

Saturday 25th April from 2pm

Help keep our church gardens blooming! Jobs for all abilities.

BYO gardening gloves.

Martin and Louise Forbes

Coming Up at St Peter's...

Wrestling Church - Friday 27th March, 6.30pm *Prayer Helpers needed!*

Pete's Eats - Sunday 29th March after 11.15am service (No 9.30am service)

Connecting Faith Conversations - Find out more about Islam at our first session - Thursday 9th April, 7.30pm, St Peter's Church

CAP Money Management Course Taster Session - Wednesday 15th April, 7pm, Meeting Place

Messy Church - Sunday 19th April, 3pm

Gardening Afternoon - Saturday 25th April, 2pm

SAFEGUARDING

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact our safeguarding officer: Frances Vose - safeguarding@stpeter.org.uk

PASTORAL SUPPORT

For prayer or support, please email: pastoralsupport@stpeter.org.uk

Connecting Faith Conversations

On the 2nd Thursday of the month during April, May, June and July, a Christian leader and an Imam will be discussing their perspectives on the following topics:

- ~ Understanding God and Revelation
- ~ Prayer and Worship
- ~ Compassion, Charity and Helping Others
- ~ Living Faith in a Diverse Society

The first session will take place on **Thursday 9th April, 7.30pm at St Peter's Church**. Future sessions will be held either at St Peter's Church or at a local mosque (venues TBC).

CAP Money Management - Taster Session

Need help to budget? Want to learn how to use a simple budgeting tool? Come to a taster session for the CAP Money Management Course, run by Andy Thorlby and Angus Mc Nab. **Wednesday 15th April, 7pm, Meeting Place, St Peter's Church.**

Welcome Space

Welcome Space will be taking a well-earned break over Easter and will be closed on Friday 3rd and 10th April.

We look forward to welcoming you back on **Friday 17th April**.

Church Warden Vacancy

We are looking for a new church warden.

If you are interested in the role, please contact Natasha or one of the existing wardens to discuss further.

Men's Curry Evening

Friday 17th April, 7pm at Shimla Spice, Shipley

Come along, bring a friend! Sign up at the back of church.

New Greetings Cards

Available in church for a suggested donation of £1 each.

Cake Wanted!

We need lots of cake for two events running on Thursday 9th April:

Better Together Fun Day
Connecting Faith Conversations
Please bake if you can!

Eco Tips

If you're looking for a charity to support over Lent and Easter, Tearfund and Christian Aid both work with those affected by climate change, and for gift ideas, Embrace the Middle East, which provided our Lent resources, offer gifts many of which are Fairtrade and eco friendly.

Thank You

Martin would like to express his thanks to everyone for their cards, prayers and support over the past few weeks.

Joint Service of Thanksgiving

Sunday 26th April, 6.30pm, St Paul's Church
Join us in saying farewell to Brian & Emma!

Prayers for Others

Please pray for all those who grieve the loss of their loved ones, particularly Martin. Please also pray for those we know who are currently unwell or who are recovering from operations, particularly Paul and Liz.

Saturday Prayers

All are welcome to join us for half an hour of online prayers on Zoom as we pray for ourselves, the church, the community and the wider world -

Saturday 28th March, 10am (Not meeting Saturday 4th April)

<https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/7455501410?pwd=Tb826hjjeWK9nF5qbwr5ov7aUnDZb8.1>

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