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Palm Sunday Procession
Reading of the
Passion according to Saint Mark
Sung Eucharist

March 28th, 2021 10 am
St Paul's Gisborne

*The Anglican Parish of Gisborne acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land,
the peoples of the Kulin Nations,
and we pay our respects to their elders, living, past and emerging.
We acknowledge that sovereignty was never ceded.*

The Parish of Gisborne is committed to being a Child Safe organisation.

Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to everyone who joins us for our worship. Whether you are a visitor or a regular parishioner of the Anglican Church, you are invited to join us in Holy Communion. Please make yourself known to us and if you would like more information about our community, our ministry or any needs please don't hesitate to speak to our Parish Priest, Fr Dennis Webster or one of our sidespersons.

Our worship begins this morning in the space behind the Parish Hall. Chairs are available for those who need them. If you are unable to walk in the procession please gather outside the church.

Holy Week

DIARY FOR HOLY WEEK and EASTER

March 28	Palm Sunday	10 am 7 pm	Procession and Eucharist Evening Prayer (BCP) CoR	St Paul's
March 29	Holy Monday	7 pm	Evening Prayer (said)	St John's
March 30	Holy Tuesday	10.30 am tbc 7 pm	Chrism Mass Tenebrae bookings essential, closing Sunday March 28	Cathedral St Brigid's
March 31	Holy Wednesday	10 am 7 pm	Eucharist Evening Prayer (said) followed by Choir Practice	St Paul's CoR
April 1	Maundy Thursday	7.30 pm	Eucharist of the Last Supper followed by Watch of the Passion and Compline	St John's
April 2	Good Friday	9 am 12 noon	Liturgy of the Day Liturgy of the Day	St Paul's CoR (sung)
April 3	Easter Eve	9 am 5 pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	CoR St Paul's
April 4	Easter Dawn	6 for 6.15 am	Service of Light and First Eucharist of Easter	CoR
	Please note that Day Light Saving concludes at 2 am. Clocks back 1 hour			
	Easter Day	9 am	Easter Day Eucharist	St Paul's

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LITURGY OF THE PALMS

When all are gathered, the Presider begins:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

The Presider addresses the people in these words.

Dear friends in Christ,
our Lenten work is drawing to a close.
Today we gather
to honour the One who comes in God's name
and who will come again to set us free.
On this day Christ entered his holy City
where he was to suffer, die and rise again.
As we remember his coming
in humble triumph, riding on a donkey,
let us remember also his future advent
upon the clouds of heaven
to do justice for the living and the dead
and to unite us, his members,
in joy and glory with himself.

All may hold up their palms or tree branches for this blessing, said by the Presider.

Bless us, O God,
as we acclaim the coming of Christ your Son;
bless our gatherings and open our hearts to that great day
when Christ will gather us to himself
in the new and heavenly Jerusalem.
For he is alive, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Palm Gospel is read. Mark 11.1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, chapter 11, beginning at the first verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back

here immediately.” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, ‘What are you doing, untying the colt?’ They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

‘Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!’

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PROCESSION

The Presider invites the people to the procession, saying

Let us make our way in peace,
following our Saviour
to the celebration of his holy mysteries.

The Deacon says:

Let us proceed in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Chorus

***All glory, laud 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,
the king and blessed one.

All glory, laud and honour ...

The people process to the first station. The Presider prays:

O Christ our God,
when you raised Lazarus from the dead,
before the time of your passion,

you confirmed the future resurrection of all.
We too, like the children of old,
carry before you these symbols of your triumph and victory
and cry out to you, the conqueror of death:

“Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

The procession continues

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

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

All glory, laud and honour ...

The people process to the second station.

The Presider prays:

O Christ our God,
we have been buried with you in baptism:
wherefore we have gained eternal life in your resurrection.
We cry out to you singing a hymn of praise:

“Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

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

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

All glory, praise and honour ...

*Theodulph of Orleans d.821
tr. John Mason Neale 1818-66 alt.*

The people process to the entrance of the church.

At the entrance to the church building the Presider says the following prayer.

Christ, our hope,
to you we come with hymns of praise,
echoing those who hailed you as Messiah and king.
Make us honour you always
by doing the works of love and justice
your Spirit inspires in us,
so that when you come in glory
you may recognize us as those
who truly belong to you:
for you are the living One, now and for ever. **Amen.**

“Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

The people process silently into the church and remain standing.

The choir sings ‘The children of the Hebrews’.

After the procession the liturgy continues with the Presider saying the Prayer of the Day.

Grant to us, we pray, almighty God,
the forgiveness of our sins by your mercy,
so that we may worthily prepare the way
for Christ as he approaches,
and through good works done by your grace
may obtain the palm of victory.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

As we prepare to hear God’s Holy Word through the scriptures
open our hearts and minds, O Lord. Amen.

The people sit for the readings from scripture.

First Lesson Isaiah 50.4-9a

After the lesson, the reader says

May your Word live in us
and bear much fruit to your glory.

The people join the choir in singing the following psalm response.



Response:

In you, O Lord, I found refuge; let me never more be put to shame.

By your saving power deliver me,
bend down your ear and hear me;
come quickly, Lord, come quickly to my rescue.

Be a rock of refuge to save me,
be a strong fortress to shield me;
Lord, lead and guide me for your own name's sake.

Set me free from the net spread to catch me,
for you, O Lord, are my safety;
into your hands my spirit I commit.

Faithful God, your grace has saved me;
in love you saw my affliction
and tended to me in my deep distress.

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tr. John L. Bell 1949 -

Second Lesson Philippians 2.5-11

After the lesson, the reader says

May your Word live in us
and bear much fruit to your glory.

The people stand and sing the Gradual hymn

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;
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 God, your power and reign!

Henry Hart Milman 1791-186

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The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Mark, Jesus, Chief Priests, **CROWD, DISCIPLES,**
Peter, Judas, Servant Girl, Centurion, Bystander, Pilate

Please remain seated for the Passion until a sign is given to stand.

Mark: Hear the passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

Mark: It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,

Chief Priests: Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.

Mark: While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger,

CROWD: **Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.**

Mark: And they scolded her. But Jesus said,

Jesus: Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.

Mark: Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, the disciples said to Jesus,

Disciples: Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?

Mark: So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

Jesus: Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.

Mark: So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, Jesus came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

Jesus: Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.

Mark: They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

DISCIPLES: Surely, not I?

Mark: Jesus said to them,

Jesus: It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.

Mark: While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

Jesus: Take; this is my body.

Mark: Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them,

Jesus: This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

Mark: When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,

Jesus: You will all become deserters; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.

Mark: Peter said to him,

Peter: Even though all become deserters, I will not.

Mark: Jesus said to him,

Jesus: Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Mark: But Peter said vehemently,

Peter: Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Mark: And all of them said the same.

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and Jesus said to his disciples,

Jesus: Sit here while I pray.

Mark: He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them,

Jesus: I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.

Mark: And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

Jesus: Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.

Mark: Jesus came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

Jesus: Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Mark: And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them,

Jesus: Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.

Mark: Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

Judas: The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.

Mark: So when he came, he went up to him at once and said,

Judas: Rabbi!

Mark: and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

Jesus: Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.

Mark: All of them deserted him and fled. A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying,

CROWD: **We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’**

Mark: But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

High Priest: Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

Mark: But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,

High Priest: Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?

Mark: Jesus said,

Jesus: I am; and ‘you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,’ and ‘coming with the clouds of heaven.’

Mark: Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

High Priest: Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?

Mark: All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,

Chief Priests: Prophecy!

Mark: The guards also took him over and beat him.

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

Servant Girl: You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.

Mark: But he denied it, saying,

Peter: I do not know or understand what you are talking about.

Mark: And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,

Servant Girl: This man is one of them.

Mark: But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

CROWD: **Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.**

Mark: But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

Peter: I do not know this man you are talking about.

Mark: At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.' And he broke down and wept.

Mark: As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

Pilate: Are you the King of the Jews?

Mark: Jesus answered him,

Jesus: You say so.

Mark: Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

Pilate: Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.

Mark: But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

Pilate: Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

Mark: For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

Pilate: Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?

Mark: They shouted back,

CROWD: Crucify him!

Mark: Pilate asked them,

Pilate: Why, what evil has he done?

Mark: But they shouted all the more,

CROWD: Crucify him!

Mark: So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

SOLDIERS: Hail, King of the Jews!

Mark: They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

PLEASE STAND

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.' And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

CROWD: Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!

Mark: In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

Chief Priests: He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.

Mark: Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

Jesus: Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?

Mark: which means,

Jesus: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Mark: When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,

CROWD: Listen, he is calling for Elijah.

Mark: And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

Bystander: Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

Mark: Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

Centurion: Truly this man was God's Son!

Mark: There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

SILENCE

A short reflection follows, followed by...

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The people remain seated for the prayers

...we pray to you, Lord:

O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer: when I call an - swer me. O
Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O

The prayers end with this as the folder is placed on the Altar:

As we, with one voice, offer our prayers, we place the names of those for whom our prayers have been asked on the altar, offering them to you with our gifts as we pray:

**Living God, you listen when your people cry out to you,
hearing our prayers and forgiving our sins;**

**hear us now, forgive us,
and send us on in newness of life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

All stand. The Greeting of Peace is introduced with these words.

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

During the pandemic, we are asked not to pass the plate, which is adjacent to the entry of the Church. It will be there until the conclusion of the service.

When his time was over the palms lay where they fell.
As they ate together he told his friends farewell.
Jesus, though you cried out for some other end,
love could only choose a cross
when our life began again.

Secretly they planned it, with money changing hands;
in the quiet garden a kiss betrayed their man.
Priests and elders tried him. Soldiers crowned him king.
We were in the crowd that day
when our life began again.

Women wept to see him; he said, 'Don't weep for me.'
Many laughed and mocked him:
'Forgive them, they don't see.'
Jesus, please forgive me, you know what I am;
I was one who nailed your hands,
when our life began again.

There was one who asked you, 'Remember me this day.'
Jesus, when I'm dying, remember me that way;
when my life is over, be with me, my friend,
like the thief upon the cross,
when our life began again.

Robin Mann 1949-

The gifts of the people are presented and the Presider says

With this bread that we bring
we **shall remember Jesus.**
With this wine that we bring
we **shall remember Jesus.**
Bread for his body,
wine for his blood,
gifts from God to his table we bring.
**God, our joy,
let the praises we sing
and the communion we share at your table
give you glory.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing and the Presider says

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, ever living God.
We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who became obedient unto death,
even death on a cross.

He offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.
The tree of defeat became the tree of victory;
where life was lost, there life has been restored.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

Response to the Choir's bidding:

Ho - san - na in the high est.

- Choir: Hosanna in the highest.
 Response: **Hosanna in the highest.**
 Choir: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
 Response: **Hosanna in the highest.**
 Choir: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Response: **Hosanna in the highest.**
 Choir: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Response: **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.

Deacon: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ _ has died. Christ is ri - sen, ____ Christ _ will _ come a - gain.

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.

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,
now and for ever:



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.**

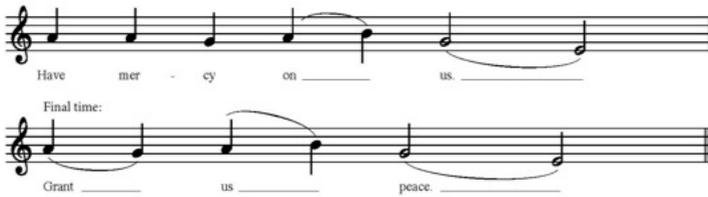
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

The Agnus Dei is sung by choir & people.



Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord.
All are welcome at his supper. Come.

Communion today will be administered in one kind only.

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The Presider says a post-communion prayer

God our help and strength,
through these holy mysteries
confirm our faith,
that by the death and resurrection of your Son
we may walk in the way of salvation.

**Take our hands and work through them;
take our lips and speak through them;
take our minds and think through them;
take our hearts and set them on fire with love for you.**

THANKSGIVING HYMN

Chorus

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

Come, people, follow where our captain trod,
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God:

Lift high the cross,

All newborn servants of the crucified
bear on their brow the seal of him who died:

Lift high the cross,

From north and south, from east and west they raise
in growing unison their song of praise:

Lift high the cross,

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
draw all to you, let all the nations see:

Lift high the cross,

Michael Robert Newbolt 1874-1956

The Presider prays a prayer over the people in place of the blessing during Lent.

Grant, merciful Lord,
to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that they may be cleansed from all their sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us depart in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

POSTLUDE O Mensch, beweine dein Sünde groß
[Oh Man, bewail your great sins], J S Bach.

St Paul's Guild: Meeting Monday 1 pm

Parish Council Meeting Monday April 5th, 12.30 at St John's

Upcoming Bus Trips:

April - 8th - Social Foundry - Kyneton

April - 22nd - Hanging Rock

JESUS HAS THIS WHOLE
THING PLANNED OUT -
THE COLT, THE GUY WITH
THE QUESTIONS,
EVERYTHING!



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YES, HE'S IN CHARGE.
HE KNOWS WHAT'S
HAPPENING,
HE KNOWS
HOW IT ENDS.



SO HE'S JUST
PLAYING THE
VICTIM!



NO, JESUS
ISN'T PLAYING.



MARK 11:1-11