



Procession and Sung Eucharist

24th March 10.00 am **St Paul's Gisborne**

The Parish of Gisborne acknowledges that we meet on the lands of the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people of the Kulin Nations. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, and present and extend that same respect to any First Nations people who are present today.

We acknowledge that Aboriginal sovereignty has not been 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 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 and ministry, then please take a copy of our welcome brochure, visit our website or ask one of our sides-persons.

Thought for the Day

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Day

Lent ends and Easter begins with three holy days celebrated as one great day of salvation. Known as the Triduum, this celebration begins on the evening of Maundy Thursday with the 7.30 pm celebration of the Eucharist of the Last Supper. At the Maundy Thursday service we recall Jesus act of servanthood demonstrated in the washing of feet. All ornaments are then stripped off the altar. From the end of this Eucharist a time of prayer and reflection known as The Watch of the Passion is maintained. After an hour, Compline (prayer at the end of the day) is said, and all candles are extinguished.

The Good Friday Liturgy is not a funeral liturgy for Jesus - but a celebration of the passion and death of the living Christ.

The Triduum reaches its climax in the darkness of Easter Day, as we gather at 5.45 for 6.00am. At this service, people gather at an open fire. This is followed by the ceremony of light as the Easter Candle is lit. Vigil readings from the Hebrew prophets and Psalms are read before the Day of Resurrection is acclaimed. The first Eucharist of Easter then follows.

As we celebrate this feast of feasts the whole universe becomes sacramental as the sun rises as usual after the crucifixion. We break our Lenten fast with a shared meal.

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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.

Liturgy Of The Palms

When all are gathered, the Minister 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.

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Peoples of the Kulin Nations. And we pay our respects to elders, past, present and emerging. We give thanks for the blessings of this land and the privilege given to each of us to care and protect this ancient land.

The Minister 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 the following prayer. The crosses of palm are distributed to all.

God our Saviour,

whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and 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,

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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. **Amen.**

The Palm gospel is read. Mark 11.1-11

The Procession

The Minister 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 following is sung. TiS 333

Chorus

All glory, praise 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, praise and honour ...

The people process to the first station. The Minister 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 as we sing:

All glory, praise 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, praise and honour ...

The people process to the second station.
The Minister 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!"

After prayers the following is sung.

All glory, praise 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 Minister 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 Minister 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 Words through the scriptures: **open our hearts and minds, Lord. Amen.**

The people sit for the readings from scripture.

First Lesson

Isaiah 50.4-9a

After the lesson, the reader says

For the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people join the choir in singing the following Psalm response. Psalm 31 TiS 19



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.

Response

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.

Response

Set me free from the net spread to catch me,

for you, O Lord, are my safety;

in to your hands my spirit I commit.

Response

Faithful God, your grace has saved me; in love you saw my affliction

and tended to me in my deep distress.

Response

Second Lesson Philippians 2.5-11

After the lesson, the reader says

For the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand and sing the Gradual hymn TiS 348

> 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 1791-1868

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Please remain seated for the Passion until the direction to stand or kneel

After the Passion, a period of silence follows, and then the Choir begins the chant. Please join in as you feel able.

The Prayers Of The People

The people remain seated for the prayers



Intercessions

The response to "Jesus, Son of David, let us follow in your way," is Let us walk with you to Jerusalem.

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, 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.

All may exchange a greeting of peace. The offertory hymn is sung during which the gifts of the people—bread, and wine are brought forward.

TiS 357

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-

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 Minister says:

This morning, we will receive Communion in one kind, from the Reserved Sacrament, prepared and blessed during a Eucharist at All Saint's Preston by Archdeacon Michael Hopkins, for our use today.

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:



Hosanna in the highest.

Choir: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Hosanna in the highest.

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.

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.

The Minister says

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



Agnes Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,



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Prayer of Approach

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Minister says

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.

During Communion the Choir will sing:

Benedictus, Margaret Rizza

The Sending Out Of God's People

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer and Hymn Compassionate and loving God, through your Son Jesus Christ you have reconciled your people to yourself. Following his example of fasting and prayer, may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love.

May we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.

TiS 351

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

Let us pray the Grace together,

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, And the love of God, And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, Be with us evermore. Amen

Let us depart in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen





Palm Sunday – Sunday 24 March 2024

- Liturgy of the Palms
 Psalm 118.1-2, 19-29; Mark 11.1-11 or John 12.12-16
- Liturgy of the Passion
 Isaiah 50.4-9a; Psalm 31.9-18;
 Philippians 2.5-11;
 Mark 14.1 15.27 or Mark 15.1-29 [40-47]

On Palm Sunday, as we begin the journey into Holy Week, our Palm Gospel readings bring to us a picture of Jesus' identity as the King who comes to save us. Many of Jesus' contemporaries longed for a king who would save them from the Romans. But Jesus is a king who saves us in a deeper and more personal way, as he gives his life out for love for us on the cross. In this Palm Sunday scene we see a contrast between Jesus and earthly kings. While the former ride into battle on great chargers, Jesus is a humble king, whose steed is a donkey. No earthly trappings of power for Jesus, nor for us as we follow him. Let us be refreshed on Palm Sunday in our call to follow Jesus in humility, love, and life-giving service.

- Pray for all leaders, that they will lead and bear of a sense of service and humility.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of La Iglesia Filipina Independiente, the Philippine Independent Church

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Holy Week and Easter Services

24 March	Palm Sunday	10 am 5 pm	St Paul's, Gisborne Sunday Arvo @5, St John's, Riddells Creek
27 March	Holy Wednesday Lenten Study	10 am 2.00 pm	Eucharist, St Paul's, Gisborne Parish Centre
29 March	Maundy Thursday	10.30 am 7.30 pm	Eucharist, Warrina Eucharist and Watch, St John's, Riddells Creek
30 March	Good Friday	9.00 am 12 noon	The Way of the Cross, St Paul's, Gisborne Solemn Liturgy, Church of the Resurrection, Macedon
31 March	Easter Day	6 am 9 am 5 pm	First Eucharist of Easter, Church of the Resurrection, Macedon Easter Day Eucharist, St Paul's, Gisborne Sunday Arvo @5, St John's, Riddells Creek

Lent Studies

There will be no Thursday night online as it is Maundy Thursday. Our Thursday night Lenten Study will continue in Easter week on Thursday April 4th to complete our time together.

When and where are we meeting?

This Wednesday in the Parish Centre from 2.00 pm.

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