



# ABOUT THIS SERVICE

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week and marks the time when Jesus entered into Jerusalem riding on a donkey. The crowds cried 'Hosanna, Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord' (from Psalm 118). It was common custom in many lands in the ancient near East to cover the path of someone thought worthy of the highest honour. The palm branch was a symbol of triumph and victory in Jewish tradition. (Leviticus 23.40 and Revelation 7.9) The carpeting of Jesus' path gives the Christian festival its name. It also shows the freedom wanted by the Jews and their desperation to have political freedom. Within a short time of Jesus' triumphal entry, the sentiment of the Pharisees takes hold and in a mere five days the crowd who shouted 'Hosanna' outside the city walls is matched by one crying 'Crucify' in the centre of Jerusalem.

## PRAYERS TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

### A prayer for the NHS

Lord Jesus, who healed the sick and gave them new life,  
be with doctors, nurses and carers,  
as they act as agents of your healing touch.  
In desperate times, keep them strong yet loving;  
support all who work in the National Health Service at this crucial time  
and give our Leaders, courage, wisdom and patience  
to bring healing and wholeness to all who suffer. Amen.



### A prayer for our business community

God of plenty, and sustainer of all those in distress,  
comfort all those who are anxious about the financial implications of COVID-19  
or concerned about their employment and livelihood.  
Direct our leaders in ways of wisdom and compassion,  
direct our businesses in ways of shrewdness and understanding,  
direct each one of us in ways of generosity and care,  
that through our concern for one another,  
individuals, organisations and our whole society  
would be given the strength to endure these present challenges,  
and work towards a shared future with hope,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## A prayer for the Armed Forces

Lord God, who holds us in the hollow of his hand,  
hear our prayer for the Armed Forces of the Crown  
at this of pandemic;  
that those who serve may do so bravely,  
that those who wait behind may do so safely,  
that those who research may find their work blessed,  
that those who suffer may receive your comfort  
and that those who die may see you face,  
that face of Jesus Christ our Healer and our Lord. Amen.



## A prayer for healing

Healing God, whose Son Jesus brought wholeness to lives  
through the power of his love,  
pour out we pray, your power to heal  
upon all those who work in medicine,  
that through your mercy,  
we may see in our own day  
the injured returned to health,  
the distressed led to happiness,  
and the broken restored to wholeness,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



# THE GATHERING

## GREETING

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

Behold your king comes to you, O Zion,  
meek and lowly, sitting upon an ass.  
Ride on in the cause of truth  
and for the sake of justice.  
Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever;  
and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre.  
You have loved righteousness and hated evil.  
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you  
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

**Hosanna to the Son of David.**  
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

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

*Palms are held up in our hands or minds, as the President says*

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 lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE PALM GOSPEL

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

21. 1-11

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### READING

When fishes flew and forests walked  
and figs grew upon thorn,  
some moment when the moon was blood  
then surely I was born.

With monstrous head and sickening cry  
and ears like errant wings,  
the devil's walking parody  
on all four-footed things.

The tattered outlaw of the earth,  
of ancient crooked will;  
starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb,  
I keep my secret still.

Fools! For I also had my hour;  
one far fierce hour and sweet:  
there was a shout about my ears,  
and palms before my feet.

## COLLECT

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who in your tender love towards the human race  
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh  
and to suffer death upon the cross:  
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,  
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE OLD TESTAMENT

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

50. 49a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 118. 19-24

- 19 Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
**that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.**
- 20 This is the gate of the Lord;  
**the righteous shall enter through it.**
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
**and have become my salvation.**
- 22 The stone which the builders rejected  
**has become the chief cornerstone.**
- 23 This is the Lord's doing,  
**and it is marvellous in our eyes.**
- 24 This is the day that the Lord has made;  
**we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

## THE PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL

The Passion of our Lord according to Matthew.

Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What will you give me if I betray him to you?" They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'" So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me." And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I, Lord?" He answered, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. 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." Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?" He replied, "You have said so."

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Then Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters because of me this night; for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you." Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet not what I want but what you want." Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him." At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly, one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?" At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, in whose house the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest; and going inside, he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony

against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'" The high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, From now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?" They answered, "He deserves death." Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, saying, "Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." But he denied it before all of them, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about." When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." Again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man." After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you." Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know the man!" At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor. When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself." Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money." After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."

Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!" So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!"

So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.

And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him,

saying, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, ‘I am God’s Son.’” The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o’clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “This man is calling for Elijah.” At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.”

Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, “Truly this man was God’s Son!” Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb. The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, “Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, ‘After three days I will rise again.’ Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, ‘He has been raised from the dead,’ and the last deception would be worse than the first.” Pilate said to them, “You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.” So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

The Passion of our Lord.

## NICENE CREED

**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.**

*All sit*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*After each petition the following response may be used*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*At the end*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

## PEACE

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.

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

## PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

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

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 thanks and praise.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world.  
In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death.  
Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise.  
We join with them in heaven's song:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven.  
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.  
With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love  
and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him.  
On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends  
to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free.

Defying death he rose again

and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts

we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you

and be welcomed at your feast in heaven

where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power**

**be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Standing at the foot of the cross, as our Saviour taught us, so we 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.**

**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 BREAD**

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

## **AGNUS DEI**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**  
**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**  
**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

## **GIVING OF COMMUNION**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,**  
**but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,  
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:  
give you the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King,  
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

## **THE DISMISSAL**

### **BLESSING**

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

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 the cross. **Amen.**

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

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

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

# CATHEDRAL PRAYERS

During this crucial time, if you have anyone or situation you would like to remember in our prayers, please contact Jane Jones  
janejones.emrys@btinternet.com who is co-ordinating a special list.  
Confidentially will be respected, if requested.

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday

The Armed Forces and Police giving generous and much needed service  
Parkinson's Awareness Week begins today: pray for all who live with this disease, for understanding, treatment and research, and for local support groups within our communities.

### Tuesday

The Government and all politicians under exhausting pressures at this time  
For those who are isolated or lonely at home  
On World Health Day, pray for those denied access to good and effective medical care; and for the efforts to develop a vaccine for Covid-19.

### Wednesday

The outstanding work of the NHS and all health providers during this time  
All of the Cathedral's staff and volunteers who are voluntarily supporting the needs of their communities

### Thursday

Bishop Keith and the Senior Staff leading our worship for the Diocese on line  
Those who have given their service to the community this year and would have been receiving the Maundy Money  
For all facing anxiety and betrayal in their watching and waiting on this Maundy Thursday

### Friday

As we stand at the foot of the cross; today may we share the sorrow of those who stood by on the first Good Friday—for those watching loved ones dying through the Cross of the Coronavirus and for those who support them in their grief

### Saturday

All Church communities preparing in their homes for Easter. Remember those who were due to be baptised or confirmed at the Easter Vigil, and pray that an opportunity may soon come for people to be back together in church buildings.

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