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Services in the Parish next week - 24th March (Palm Sunday)

10.00am Holy Communion at St John's

10.30am Holy Communion at St James's

4.00pm St John's The Last Words of Love

Hymn

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

**Come, let us follow where our Captain trod,
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God. *Lift high the cross ...***

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us unto thee: *Lift high the cross ...***

**Let every race and every language tell
of him who saves our souls from death and hell. *Lift high the cross***

**Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease
beneath the shadow of its healing peace. *Lift high the cross***

**For thy blest cross which doth for all atone
creation's praises rise before thy throne:**

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

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Greeting

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

All and also with you.

Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? Look and see if there is any
sorrow like my sorrow. Lamentations 1:12

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect

Reading - Jeremiah 31:31-34

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

**Wait for the Lord, whose day is near
Wait for the Lord, keep watch, take heart!**

Gospel Reading

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

To the words 'By the Saviour's cross and passion' would you please respond '**Lord, save us and help us.**' *At end of the prayers we say together*

Merciful Father,

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

Prayers of Penitence - Call to Confession

God calls us in our lives to be like the grain of wheat which dies, which lets go of one form in order to be transformed into new, and fuller life. And yet we often fear the risk and change which new growth involves. Let us ponder for a moment the places of our lives where we may be resisting God moving in our lives.

A moment of silence and stillness for prayer and reflection

Litany of Confession

When we resist your call to change our hearts
and allow a deepening of relationship:

All God have mercy.

When we nurse our wounded hearts
and withhold forgiveness which may transform relationship:

All Christ have mercy.

When fear for our own security leads us to close our hearts from those
who are in need:

All God have mercy.

The One who makes a covenant on our hearts is faithful, and forgives you your sins and failures. In Christ God offers forgiving grace and welcome into a community of trust, abundance, and hope. Let us give thanks for the mercy of God, and pass the peace of Christ in community among us.

All Amen.

The children join us from their worship and notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and we share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

Hymn (*during which a collection will be taken for the work of this Parish. At the end of the service the contactless giving machine will be available at the back of church should you prefer to make a donation in this way.*)

**How deep the Father's love for us
how vast beyond all measure
that he should give his only Son
to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss,
the Father turns his face away,
as wounds which mar the Chosen One
bring many sons to glory**

**Behold the man upon a cross
my sin upon his shoulders,
ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there
until it was accomplished
his dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.**

**I will not boast in anything,
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
but I will boast in Jesus Christ
his death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer,
but this I know with all my heart
his wounds have paid my ransom .**

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

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

All Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The president recalls the Last Supper

Great is the mystery of faith

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All 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 the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread

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

All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people

All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord
to the glory of God the Father.

Priest and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive bread and wine whether you have been confirmed or not. This part of the service is when we come together as family to receive God's gifts and to remember his love for us. Please come forward at the direction of the churchwardens. At the distribution of the bread and wine these words will be said .

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life
The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life

The communicant replies **Amen**

After the choir anthem please join with the singing of this hymn

**You are the King of glory
You are the Prince of Peace
You are the Lord of heaven and earth
You're the Son of righteousness
Angels bow down before you
Worship and adore
For you have the words of eternal life
You are Jesus Christ the Lord.**

**Hosanna to the Son of David!
Hosanna to the King of kings!
Glory in the highest heaven
for Jesus the Messiah reigns.**

Prayer after Communion

The Post-Communion prayer is said

All God of our pilgrimage, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The children share their work.

Hymn

**Christ triumphant ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.***

**Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
*Yours the glory and the crown.....***

**Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:
*Yours the glory and the crown.....***

**Priestly King, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:
*Yours the glory and the crown.....***

**So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.***

The Blessing and Dismissal

Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

MESSY CHURCH - Today is Messy Church in St John's Hall at 4pm, all families are very welcome.

REFRESHMENTS AT ST JOHN'S - everyone is welcome to the hall today to join us for refreshments.

PALM SUNDAY - Next Sunday we will once again meet by the Stocks at 9.50am to begin our service with a walk to church. Please remember to bring some branches with you to wave on the way as we remind Baildon community that we are welcoming Jesus into our hearts and lives.

GOOD FRIDAY PILGRIMAGE - we will again be opening St John's Church from 10am - 1pm for people to engage with the Pilgrimage, giving them a space to think about the events of Holy Week. We do need volunteers to staff this - two or three for each hour. If you are able to help in this way, there is a sign up sheet at the back of church.

EASTER DAY - All the service for Holy Week are in the Lent Booklet but just a reminder that on Easter Sunday (31st March) we have our main 10am Easter Communion Service. From 11.30am there will be Easter crafts for the children while parents have a coffee. At 12 noon we will parading around St John's grounds wearing our Easter bonnets! Then there will be a special present and card to take home and enjoy!!

ELECTORAL ROLL - We are now reviewing our Electoral Roll to make sure it is up to date and everyone who is a member of the Parish, over 16 years of age and baptised is on the Roll. If you have never been asked then there is a form to complete and returned to either the Electoral Roll Officer (Carol Jennings) or to Canon Sandra. Please do check on the list at the back of church to make sure that you are on the list.

APCM - this is an important meeting in the Church's year when we look back at 2023 and forward. The meeting this year is Monday 8th April at 7.30pm at St John's Church Hall. Everyone is welcome.

At the APCM we will also be inviting people to come onto the PCC of the Parish. This is governing body of the Church and it is therefore important that we have representatives of the three churches. All three churches currently have vacancies so please do think and pray about whether you might serve the parish in this way. People serve for three years at a time.

LENT LUNCHESES - Please note that the Lent lunch which was to be held at St Aidan's Church on Friday 22nd March has been cancelled.

THE LAST WORDS OF LOVE - This is a very moving service and it will be held at St John's Church on Sunday 24th March (Palm Sunday) at 4pm. The choir have been practicing very hard for this service. Please do come and support our choir as we move from Palm Sunday into Holy Week.

CHOCOLATE COFFEE MORNING - Everyone is welcome to our Chocolate Coffee Morning on Saturday 23rd March at 10.00 - 12 noon at St James's Church. There will be a Chocolate Tombola, cake stall and a raffle. All money raised is for The Children's Society.

JULIAN MEETING – The next meeting of the Julian Group will be on 20th March in the Lounge at St James' Church at 2.00pm.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN THE PARISH

Palm Sunday 24th March

- 10.00am Holy Communion at St John's
- 10.30am Holy Communion at St James's
- 4.00pm St John's The Last Words of Love

Tuesday 26th March St John's

- 7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday 28th March (Maundy Thursday) - St John's

- 7.30pm Holy Communion including sharing a light supper together as we journey together to Gethsemane and the arrest of Jesus

Friday 29th March (Good Friday) - St John's

- 9.00am - Walk from St Aidans using Station of the Cross
- 10.00am - 1.00pm Good Friday Pilgrimage
- 2.00pm - Last Hour at the Cross

Sunday 31st March (Easter Day)

- 6.30am - Dawn Service—St John's
- 8.30am - Easter Communion—St John's
- 9.30am - Easter Communion—St Hugh's
- 10.00am - Easter Communion—St John's
- 10.30am - Easter Communion—St James's
- 11.30am - Crafts for children in the hall
- 12noon - Parade of Easter bonnets in St John's grounds Then there will be a special present and card to take home and enjoy!!

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