



**Palm Sunday 13th April 2025**

**we meet at the stocks at 9.50am**

## At the stocks

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

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth;

**All Serve the Lord with gladness!**

Come before him with joyful songs;

**All Give thanks to him and praise his name! Amen.**

**Hosanna to the Son of David.**

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

**Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.**

*At the west door of the Church everyone inside the Church is invited to stand and we say together the prayer below, then the first hymn is sung. During the singing of this hymn the people are invited to walk from the west door through the Church, out through the vestry door and round the Church re-entering through the west door. Everyone is encouraged to join as we begin our journey remembering Jesus' journey into Jerusalem, waving our branches as we go.*

**All Lord Jesus, you rode into your city in triumph on this day, receiving the shouts and the welcome of many people. Come into this church today. Receive our welcome. Come to rule in our hearts and minds.**

## Hymn

*All glory, laud, and honour  
to thee, Redeemer, King!  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.*

**Thou art the King of Israel,  
thou David's royal Son,  
who in the Lord's name comest,  
the King and blessed one:**

*All glory, laud, and honour .....*

**The company of angels  
are praising thee on high,  
and mortal men and all things  
created make reply:**

*All glory, laud, and honour .....*

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

*All glory, laud, and honour .....*

To thee before thy passion  
they sang their hymns of praise:  
to thee now high exalted  
our melody we raise:

*All glory, laud, and honour .....*

Thou didst accept their praises,  
accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest,  
thou good and gracious King.:

*All glory, laud, and honour  
to thee, Redeemer, King!  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.*

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

**All Amen.**

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

**All and also with you.**

My sisters and brothers 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 go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

## **Collect or special prayer for Palm Sunday**

True and humble King, hailed by the crowd as Messiah; grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

**All Amen.**

### **Reading - Philippians 2:5-11**

For the gift of your holy word

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Hymn**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry;  
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road  
with palms and scattered garments strowed.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin  
o'er captive death and conquered sin.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The winged squadrons of the sky  
look down with sad and wondering eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The 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 thy meek head to mortal pain,  
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.**

## 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 Luke.

**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

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**All Though he was divine,  
he did not cling to equality with God,  
but made himself nothing.  
Taking the form of a slave,  
he was born in human likeness.  
He humbled himself  
and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.  
Therefore God has raised him on high,  
and given him the name above every name:  
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### Prayers of Intercession

To the words 'Your kingdom come' would you please respond '**Your will be done**'

Merciful Father,

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

# Prayers of Penitence

## Invitation to Confession

Let us come together to a moment of confession. Imagine Jesus entering our presence just as he entered Jerusalem some 2,000 years ago. Envision the palm branches, the donkey, the shouts of "hosanna." Understanding who he is and knowing who we are...

## Prayer of Confession

We pray together

**All O God, you know us well. We are quick to speak of faith, but slow to live it fully. We shout "hosanna" as Jesus approaches, as did the people of Jerusalem many years ago; but we do not want him to come too close - not close enough to really see...**

## Silent Confession

And we pray together...

**All O God, you know us well. We are quick to claim faith in Jesus as our Lord and Saviour; but, like the throng who greeted his entry into Jerusalem, we are fickle, slow to live fully and everywhere as faithful disciples. We know where we fail...**

## Silent Confession

And we pray together...

**All O God, you know us well. We are quick to want the blessings of faithfulness; but, like the Twelve who spent the last week with him, we are slow to accept the pain and suffering of authentic Christ-like living. Forgive our weakness and fear...**

## Silent Confession

*The president says*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*The notices are given.*

## **Blessing of Palms**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

**All It is right to give you our thanks and praise.**

As he entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die, the Hebrews acclaimed Jesus the Messiah and King with palm branches in their hands, crying 'Hosanna in the highest.'

May your blessing be upon these palms as signs of his love for us and grant that we who carry them in his name may ever call him 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 forever.

**All Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The 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

**All and also with you.**

*All may acknowledge one another with the words 'The peace of the Lord be with you'.*

**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.

**My song is love unknown,  
my Saviour's love to me,  
love to the loveless shown,  
that they might lovely be.  
O who am I,  
that for my sake  
my Lord should take  
frail flesh, and die?**

**He came from his blest throne,  
salvation to bestow;  
but men made strange, and none  
the longed-for Christ would know.  
But O, my Friend,  
my Friend indeed,  
who at my need  
his life did spend.**

**Sometimes they strew his way,  
and his sweet praises sing;  
resounding all the day  
hosannas to their King.  
Then 'Crucify!'  
is all their breath,  
and for his death  
they thirst and cry.**

**They rise, and needs will have  
my dear Lord made away;  
a murderer they save,  
the Prince of Life they slay.  
Yet cheerful he  
to suffering goes,  
that he his foes  
from thence might free.**



**Here might I stay and sing:  
no story so divine;  
never was love, dear King,  
never was grief like thine!  
This is my Friend,  
in whose sweet praise  
I all my days  
could gladly spend.**

## **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.**

## **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*

**All Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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

**All Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us 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.*

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**All We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

## Agnes 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

*Before the Distribution the president says*

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 in with the singing of the hymn

**You are the king of glory  
you are the Prince of peace,  
you are the Lord of heaven and earth,  
you're the sun 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**

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

**All Amen**

**All Faithful God, may we who share this banquet glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, our salvation, life and hope, who reigns as Lord now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Dismissal**

**Hymn**

**We have a gospel to proclaim:  
good news for all throughout the earth;  
the gospel of a Saviour's name:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

**Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,  
not in a royal house or hall,  
but in a stable dark and dim:  
the Word made flesh, a light for all.**

**Tell of his death at Calvary,  
hated by those he came to save,  
in lonely suffering on the cross  
for all he loved, his life he gave.**

**Tell of that glorious Easter morn:  
empty the tomb, for he was free.  
He broke the power of death and hell  
that we might share his victory.**

**Tell of his reign at God's right hand,  
by all creation glorified.  
He sends his Spirit on his church  
to live for him, the Lamb who died.**

**Now we rejoice to name him King:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
This gospel-message we proclaim:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.**

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you, and those whom you love and pray for, today and always.

**All Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## **NOTICES**

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**REFRESHMENTS** everyone is welcome to the hall today to join us for refreshments.

**APCM** this is an important meeting in the Church's year when we look back at 2024 and forward. The meeting this year is Monday 28th 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

**CONFIRMATION** Our Confirmation Service this year will be on Sunday 29th June at St John's Church at 10am. This is for anyone, no matter how old, who wants to make this public declaration of faith. This is open to any young people who are Year 6 (and regular church attenders) or above. If you would like to consider this please speak to Canon Sandra or Rev Ruth.

**CHOCOLATE HAMPER DRAW** This year we will be running a Chocolate Hamper Draw. Tickets will be on sale from Sunday 16th March and cost £1 each or £5 for a book from any choir member. As well as chocolate, one of the prizes will be an inflatable chicken costume!

**CHOCOLATE DONATIONS** We are hoping to sell 200 Chocolate Hamper Draw tickets to raise valuable funds for the parish. Can you help us by donating Easter eggs, boxes of chocolates and chocolate treats? There are collection boxes in each church for your kind donations.

**GOOD FRIDAY: WALK OF WITNESS** You are invited to gather outside St. Aidan's Church at 8.45am (for 9am) 18<sup>th</sup> April. We are going to walk gently up Baildon Road, and Browgate, arriving at the Methodist Church around 10.15-10.30am. We will be carrying a large wooden cross and praying the stations at various locations along the route, including outside all churches which form Churches Together in Baildon. Refreshments and café worship at the Methodist Church from 10.30am. Volunteers on the day to help steward the event would be most welcome. Please have a word with Revd Ruth.

**JULIAN MEETING** The next meeting will be on Wednesday 16th April in the Lounge at St James' Church at 2.00pm. These meetings foster the teaching and practice of contemplative prayer in the Christian tradition. Prayer can be incorporated into our everyday lives and we explore encouraging ways of doing this. Everyone is welcome.

**VE DAY COMMEMORATION, SAVE THE DATE** It is the 80th anniversary of VE Day on Thursday 8th May and we invite you to a special Service of Commemoration at St John's Church at 11.30am followed by a 2-course lunch in the hall afterwards. Tickets will be on sale from Sunday 13th April at a cost of £5 per person. We will be raising money for The Royal British Legion (Baildon Branch). The Galilee Bar will be open. World War II memorabilia will be displayed in the hall during lunch.

Tickets available after Sunday service at St John's or from Loraine Radcliffe on 07960 018025 or St John's Church Hall Office on Tuesday and Thursday during office hours.

**PARISH DAY OUT TO THE AUCKLAND PROJECT** The Auckland Project is a regeneration charity project with a unique collection of fully accessible heritage attractions, galleries, gardens and parkland. You will discover a remarkable story of faith, art and power from the Prince Bishop's of Durham to Bishop Auckland's surprising connection with the Golden Age of Spanish art.

Our ticket price includes a one-hour guided tour of the palace to include the private apartments, the chapel, the state rooms and the Spanish gallery to view the art collection. Plus unlimited access to the faith museum, the 10 acre gardens and the Auckland tower.

Also on site there are cafes and restaurants for you to enjoy lunch or a coffee and cake and of course the obligatory gift shops! For more information go to: [www.aucklandproject.org](http://www.aucklandproject.org)

The date of the visit is **Friday 18th July**, leaving Baildon at 0830, returning around 1900. A short comfort and coffee stop will be built into the outward journey and our coach has a toilet onboard.

The cost of the trip is **£44 per person** which includes the coach, the coffee, and the entrance fee. If required we will pick up and drop off at all three churches. Please let us know as soon as possible by emailing Loraine Radcliffe at [stjameshub@parishofbaildon.uk](mailto:stjameshub@parishofbaildon.uk). Once we know numbers, we can confirm so long as the trip is viable.

**The closing date for booking has been extended.**

## **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN THE PARISH**

### **Palm Sunday 13th April**

4.00pm Last Words of Love at St John's

### **Tuesday 15th April at St John's**

7.30pm Stations of the Cross

### **Wednesday 16th April at St James's**

12 noon Holy Communion

### **Thursday 17th April (Maundy Thursday) at 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 18th April (Good Friday) at St John's**

9.00am	Walk of Witness from St Aidan's Church
10.00am- 1.00pm	Good Friday Pilgrimage
12.00pm	Good Friday Lent Lunch
2.00pm	Last Hour at the Cross

### **Saturday 19th April (Holy Saturday) at St James's**

12noon Guided Prayer Walk

### **Sunday 20th April (Easter Day)**

6.30am	Dawn Service at St John's followed by breakfast
8.30am	Easter Communion at St John's
9.30am	Easter Communion at St Hugh's
10.00am	Easter Communion at St John's with Sunday School
10.30am	Easter Communion at St James's
11.30am	Easter Egg Hunt around the Village

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