

Collect for Today

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.

Readings for This Week

Isaiah 50.4-9a
(Psalm 31.9-16)
Philippians 2.5-11
Mark 11:1-11

Readings for Next Week

Isaiah 25.6-9
(Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24)
Acts 10.34-43
Mark 16.1-8

Verse for the Week

“Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ
Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did
not regard equality with God as something to be
exploited, but emptied himself.”

Philippians 2:5-6

Prayer & Reading Diary

Monday

Read: John 12.1-11

Prayer: Holy God, you are the focus of our love and worship, because you alone are the Lord who has made us and rescued us. Help us to not return to the slavery of sin but to live in your freedom, serving you with joy, in thankfulness for all you have done for us. We bring before you the work that needs doing here, in your church, and ask you to inspire us, your people, as to how to move forward in good ways out of lockdown.

Amen

Tuesday

Read: John 12.20-36

Prayer: Holy God, though the world may often reject you, you never fail to believe in us all and love us with tenderness. We pray for all areas of conflict, deceit, mismanagement, and greed; and for all who are drawn into the chaos of evil. We pray for all those who are called to serve you in positions of authority and influence; for all leaders to see service and humility are true greatness.

Amen

Wednesday

Read: John 13.21-32

Prayer: Holy God, our daily lives provide such rich ground for acts of loving kindness, self-discipline, and courage. Remind us of the opportunities we have and strengthen us to use them. We pray for marriages, and for those in single life, for our families, friends and neighbours – for all who make up our community; that we may live in ways that show them the Christian life in these unusual times.

Amen

Prayer & Reading Diary

Thursday

Read: John 13.1-17, 31b-35

Prayer: Holy God, we thank you for all who lovingly look after people in hospitals, nursing, and care homes and pray for all who need such care and rely on the help of others. We lift those who are suffering from any illness to you and especially those we know and love who lie heavy on our hearts whilst we are so restricted in our visiting and in our opportunities to care for them. We pray for all who are struggling with great perseverance in difficult circumstances.

Amen

Friday

Read: John 18.1 - 19.42

Prayer: Holy God, we call to mind those who have recently died and thank you for each act of goodness in their lives. Have mercy on them and forgive their failings, so that they may share the joy of heaven for ever. We thank you that those who are free from all pain and suffering can be received by you with mercy; and welcomed into your kingdom.

Amen

Saturday

Read: John 19.38-42

Prayer: Holy God, we thank you for our human potential for good, and for your gift of grace that makes such goodness a real possibility.

Amen

Notices:



Services in Holy Week

• **Weds 31st March** 8:00 pm - Online reflective service for Holy Week on Zoom: details with the “Sunday Plus” email later this week or email Stephen for link.

• **Maundy Thursday** 7:30 pm Holy Communion - All Saints Okehampton

• Good Friday Hour at the Cross:

Belstone 12:00

Sourton 12:00

Okehampton 2:00pm

Northlew 3:00pm

• Easter Saturday

7:00pm Exulstet - Lydford

8:00 pm Compline - All Saints Okehampton

• Easter Day

7:00 am “Sunrise service” All Saints Okehampton (Outside if fine)

9:30am

Holy Communion - St Petroc’s Inwardleigh

Holy Communion - St Mary’s Belstone

All Age Worship - Meeth

Holy Communion - Northlew

Holy Communion – Sourton

11:00am

Holy Communion - All Saints Okehampton

Holy Communion - Hatherleigh

Holy Communion by ext. - Exbourne

Holy Communion – Lydford

11:15am

Holy Communion by ext. - Germansweek

Church Services:



Sunday 28th March:

8:30am

Sticklepath – Holy Prayer

9:30am

Sourton – Morning Prayer

Inwardleigh – Morning Prayer

Belstone – Holy Communion

Exbourne – Morning Service

Northlew – Morning Prayer

11:00am

Okehampton – Holy Communion

Hatherleigh – Morning Service

Lydford – Holy Communion

5:00pm

Bratton Clovelly – Evening Prayer

6:00pm

Jacobstowe – Evening Prayer

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Every year there is a surge in car sales when the new registrations become available. It used to happen once a year but the industry recognised it could spread the load by changing the numbers twice. People want their car to have the latest registration because your car is not just a means of getting from A to B; it says something about you. From the golden howdah to the private jet people have always displayed their importance in their means of travel.

So what does it say about Jesus that he chose as his means of transport into Jerusalem a humble donkey? At one level he was claiming the fulfilment of the prophecy of Zechariah: “Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” On another, we know this was the Jesus way: if you want to reach greatness take the road to humility.

Jesus was indifferent to what people thought: he knew that adoration today could turn into condemnation tomorrow; what mattered was that he should fulfil what he had come to do. That road took him into the heart of enemy territory unarmed and riding on a donkey. If our praises this Palm Sunday are to be genuine then we need to cultivate a similar single-minded focus on the approval of our Heavenly Father. Then we can sing Hosanna (save us) with conviction.

Stephen