



## ANGLICAN PARISH ST PETER'S CREMORNE

### **PALM SUNDAY - 5 APRIL 2020**

WELCOME to St Peter's Church – whether you are a regular member of the church or if you have never been in person (although I pray you will when we can meet together again).

Due to the threat of the Coronavirus, we are unable to meet as the church in public services. This service sheet is to accompany the video to be found at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1IijXcNGCFieJLoEBv5vPg>; on our Facebook page (St Peter's Anglican Church, Cremorne); website ([stpeterscremorne.org.au](http://stpeterscremorne.org.au)) or on DVD.

During this time we are seeking to provide Bible and prayer resources, and other ways to connect with one another, in order to continue to encourage each other in our faith – please contact the church office to be added to the distribution list.

Perhaps after this service, in lieu of our usual morning tea, why not consider telephoning someone else from St Peter's, or another friend, to share something you found encouraging?

If you have any needs from St Peter's you can contact the parish office on 9953 1050 or [info@stpeterscremorne.org.au](mailto:info@stpeterscremorne.org.au) between 9am and midday on Tuesdays and Thursdays or contact the rector, Rev'd Tim St Quintin on 0401 289 919 or [rector@stpeterscremorne.org.au](mailto:rector@stpeterscremorne.org.au) .

Please continue to care for one another, telephone each other, and identify anyone with particular needs. Please let the rector, the pastoral care team, or the church office know if you yourself are sick or have particular needs.

**With every blessing in Christ,**

**Tim St Quintin, Rector**

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## LITURGY OF THE PALMS

### THE WELCOME

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

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

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

### PALM SUNDAY PREFACE

### BIBLE READING

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew 21:1-11  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>1</sup> As Jesus and the disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to the town of Bethphage on the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent two of them on ahead. <sup>2</sup> “Go into the village over there,” he said. “As soon as you enter it, you will see a donkey tied there, with its colt beside it. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone asks what you are doing, just say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will immediately let you take them.”

<sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfil the prophecy that said,

<sup>5</sup> “Tell the people of Jerusalem,  
‘Look, your King is coming to you.

He is humble, riding on a donkey—  
riding on a donkey’s colt.”

<sup>6</sup> The two disciples did as Jesus commanded. <sup>7</sup> They brought the donkey and the colt to him and threw their garments over the colt, and he sat on it.

<sup>8</sup> Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road ahead of him, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> Jesus was in the centre of the procession, and the people all around him were shouting,

“Praise God for the Son of David!

Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Praise God in highest heaven!”

<sup>10</sup> The entire city of Jerusalem was in an uproar as he entered. “Who is this?” they asked.

<sup>11</sup> And the crowds replied, “It’s Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## **THE SIGN OF THE PALMS**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you Almighty God, whose son Jesus Christ entered in triumph into the holy city this day to complete his work as our Messiah. May these branches and crosses be signs for us of the victory of your Son. May we who carry them in his name ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**HYMN**

**All glory, praise and honour**

*Tune St Theodulph*

*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...*

The company of angels  
are praising you on high,  
and we and all creation  
exultant make reply:

*All glory, praise...*

The people of the Hebrews  
with palms before you went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems  
before you we present.

*All glory, praise...*

To you before your passion  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to you, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise.

*All glory, praise...*

Their praises you accepted,  
accept the prayers we bring,  
Who in all good take pleasure,  
our good and gracious king!

*All glory, praise...*

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## LITURGY OF THE PASSION

### CONFESSION

#### **Matthew 22:37-39**

Jesus answered:

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. This is the first and most important commandment. The second most important commandment is like this one. And it is, “Love others as much as you love yourself.”

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have gone our own way,  
not loving you as we should,  
nor loving others as much as ourselves.  
We have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed**

**and in what we have failed to do.  
Only you can save us.  
Father, forgive us.  
Help us to love you and all people,  
and to live for your honour and glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **THE ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty and everlasting God, of your tender love towards us you sent you Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility: mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his practice, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## **THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

### **FIRST READING**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah 50:4-9a

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. <sup>5</sup> The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> 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; <sup>8</sup> he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my

adversaries? Let them confront me.<sup>9</sup> It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Hear the word of the Lord.      **Thanks be to God**

### **PSALM 31:9-18**

<sup>9</sup>        Have mercy on me, LORD, for I am in distress.  
          Tears blur my eyes.  
          My body and soul are withering away.

<sup>10</sup>        I am dying from grief;  
          my years are shortened by sadness.  
          Sin has drained my strength;  
          I am wasting away from within.

<sup>11</sup>        I am scorned by all my enemies  
          and despised by my neighbours—  
          even my friends are afraid to come near me.  
          When they see me on the street,  
          they run the other way.

<sup>12</sup>        I am ignored as if I were dead,  
          as if I were a broken pot.

<sup>13</sup>        I have heard the many rumours about me,  
          and I am surrounded by terror.  
          My enemies conspire against me,  
          plotting to take my life.

<sup>14</sup>        But I am trusting you, O LORD,  
          saying, “You are my God!”

<sup>15</sup>        My future is in your hands.  
          Rescue me from those who hunt me down relentlessly.

<sup>16</sup>        Let your favour shine on your servant.  
          In your unfailing love, rescue me.

17 Don't let me be disgraced, O LORD,  
for I call out to you for help.  
Let the wicked be disgraced;  
let them lie silent in the grave.  
18 Silence their lying lips—  
those proud and arrogant lips that accuse the godly.

## SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians 2:5-11

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## THE PASSION

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 27:11-54

*Based on 'The Voice' translation, 2012*

**Narrator:** <sup>11</sup> Jesus was standing before the governor, *Pilate*.

**Pilate:** Are You the King of the Jews?

**Jesus:** So you say.

**Narrator:** <sup>12</sup> The chief priests and the elders *stood and poured out their accusations: that Jesus was a traitor, a seditious rebel, a crazy, a would-be Saviour, and a would-be king*. Jesus stood in the stream of accusations, but He did not respond.

**Pilate:** <sup>13</sup> Do You hear these accusations they are making against You?

**Narrator:** <sup>14</sup> Still Jesus said nothing, which Pilate found rather astounding—*no protests, no defence, nothing*. <sup>15</sup> Now the governor had a custom. During the *great Jewish festival of Passover*, he would allow the crowd to pick one of the condemned men, and he, *Pilate*, would set the man free. *Just like that. Gratuitous, gracious freedom*. <sup>16</sup> At this time, they had a notorious prisoner named Barabbas. <sup>17</sup> So when the crowd gathered, Pilate offered them a choice:

**Pilate:** Whom do you want me to free? Barabbas or Jesus, whom some call the Anointed One?

*Pilate could call Him “Jesus of Nazareth” or “Jesus the Carpenter,” but he says, “whom some call the Anointed One.” It is significant that Pilate is in a position where he passes judgment. He determines who will live and who will die, and he is preparing to hold court.*

**Narrator:** <sup>18</sup> Pilate knew the chief priests and elders hated Jesus and had delivered Him up because they envied Him. <sup>19</sup> Then Pilate sat down on his judgment seat, and he received a message from his wife: “Distance yourself utterly from *the proceedings against* this righteous man. I have had a dream about Him, a dream full of twisted sufferings—*He is innocent, I know it, and we should have nothing to do with Him*.” <sup>20</sup> But the chief priests and the elders convinced the crowd to demand that Barabbas, not Jesus, *whom-some-call-the-Anointed-One*, be freed and that Jesus be put to death.

**Pilate** (*standing before the crowd*): <sup>21</sup> Which of these men would you have me free?

**Crowd** (*shouting*): Barabbas!

**Pilate:** <sup>22</sup> What would you have me do with this Jesus, whom some call the Anointed One?

**Crowd** (*shouting*): Crucify Him!



**Pilate:** <sup>23</sup> Why? What crime has this man committed?

**Crowd** (*responding with a shout*): Crucify Him!

*It is clear Pilate has laid his own trap. He realizes he has given the crowd a choice, but the crowd doesn't choose as he expects them to.*

**Narrator:** <sup>24</sup> Pilate saw that unless he wanted a riot on his hands, he now had to bow to their wishes. So he took a *pitcher of water*, stood before the crowd, and washed his hands.

**Pilate:** You will see to this crucifixion, for this man's blood will be *upon you* and not upon me. *I wash myself of it.*

**Crowd:** <sup>25</sup> Indeed, let His blood be upon us—upon us and our children!

**Narrator:** <sup>26</sup> So Pilate released Barabbas, and he had Jesus flogged and handed over to be crucified. <sup>27</sup> The governor's soldiers took Jesus into a great hall, gathered a great crowd, <sup>28</sup> and stripped Jesus of His clothes, draping Him in a bold scarlet cloak, *the kind that soldiers sometimes wore.* <sup>29</sup> They gathered some thorny vines, wove them into a crown, and perched that crown upon His head. They stuck a reed in His right hand, and then they knelt before Him, *this inside-out, upside-down King.* They mocked Him *with catcalls.*

**Soldiers:** Hail, the King of the Jews!<sup>30</sup>

**Narrator:** They spat on Him and whipped Him on the head with *His sceptre of reeds,* <sup>31</sup> and when they had their fill, they pulled off the bold scarlet cloak, dressed Him in His own simple clothes, and led Him off to be crucified. <sup>32</sup> As they were walking, they found a man called Simon of Cyrene and forced him to carry the cross. <sup>33</sup> Eventually they came to a place called Golgotha, which means "Place of the Skull." <sup>34</sup> There they gave Him a drink—wine mixed with bitter herbs. He tasted it but refused to drink it. <sup>35</sup> And so they had Him crucified. They divided the clothes off His back by drawing lots, <sup>36</sup> and they sat on the ground and watched Him *hang.* <sup>37</sup> They placed a sign over His head: "This is Jesus, King of the Jews." <sup>38</sup> And then they crucified two rebels next to Him, one at His right

hand and one at His left hand. <sup>39</sup> Passersby shouted curses and blasphemies at Jesus. They wagged their heads *at Him and hissed*.

**Passersby:** <sup>40</sup> You're going to destroy the temple and then rebuild it in three days? Why don't You start with saving Yourself? Come down from the cross if You can, if You're God's Son.

**Chief Priests, Scribes, and Elders** (*mocking Him*): <sup>41-42</sup> He saved others, but He can't save Himself. If He's really the King of Israel, then let Him climb down from the cross—then we'll believe Him. <sup>43</sup> He claimed communion with God—well, let God save Him, if He's God's beloved Son.

**Narrator:** <sup>44</sup> Even the thieves hanging to His right and left poured insults upon Him. <sup>45</sup> And then, starting at noon, the entire land became dark. It was dark for three hours. <sup>46</sup> In the middle of the dark afternoon, Jesus cried out in a loud voice.

**Jesus:** Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani—My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?

**Bystanders:** <sup>47</sup> He's calling on Elijah.

**Narrator:** <sup>48</sup> One bystander grabbed a sponge, steeped it in vinegar, stuck it on a reed, and gave Jesus the vinegar to drink.

**Others:** <sup>49</sup> We'll see—we'll see if Elijah is going to come and rescue Him.

**Narrator:** <sup>50</sup> And then Jesus cried out once more, loudly, and then He breathed His last breath. <sup>51</sup> At that instant, the temple curtain was torn in half, from top to bottom. The earth shook; rocks split in two; <sup>52</sup> tombs burst open, and bodies of many sleeping holy women and men were raised up. <sup>53</sup> After Jesus' resurrection, they came out of their tombs, went into the holy city of Jerusalem, and showed themselves to people. <sup>54</sup> When the Centurion and soldiers who had been charged with guarding Jesus felt the earthquake *and saw the rocks splitting and the tombs opening*, they were, of course, terrified.

**Centurion and Soldiers:** He really was God's Son.

**SERMON****Jesus, the Son of God***Matthew 27:11-54***HYMN****Jerusalem**

See Him in Jerusalem  
Walking where the crowds are  
Once these streets had sung to Him  
Now they cry for murder  
Such a frail and lonely Man  
Holding up the heavy cross  
See Him walking in Jerusalem  
On the road to save us

See Him there upon the hill  
Hear the scorn and laughter  
Silent as a lamb He waits  
Praying to the Father  
See the King who made the sun  
And the moon and shining stars  
Let the soldiers hold and nail Him down  
So that He could save them

See Him there upon the cross  
Now no longer breathing  
Dust that formed the watching crowds  
Takes the blood of Jesus  
Feel the earth is shaking now  
See the veil is split in two  
And He stood before the wrath of God  
Shielding sinners with His blood

See the empty tomb today  
Death could not contain Him  
Once the Servant of the world  
Now in vict'ry reigning  
Lift your voices to the One  
Who is seated on the throne  
See Him in the New Jerusalem

Praise the One who saved us

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## **THE APOSTLES CREED**

Let us stand and affirm with Christians across the ages what we believe about God and his love for us.

**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 from the dead; he ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there 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.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

As we commence Holy Week, we remember the path our Lord Jesus took on the road to Calvary, saying in the gospel of John "I was born for this".

Let us join together to give thanks that he has taken this road to become our Lord and Saviour.

### *A General Prayer for Thanksgiving*

Gracious God, we humbly thank you for all your gifts so freely given to us, for life and health and safety, for power to work, leisure to rest, and for all that is beautiful in creation and human life. But, above all, we praise you for our Saviour Jesus Christ, for his death and resurrection, for the gift of your Spirit, and for the hope of sharing in your glory. Fill our hearts with all joy and peace in believing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### *A Prayer for our World at this Time*

Sovereign Lord, we pray that in your mercy and common grace for this world in which we live that you would halt the spread of this virus. All things are possible for you, and so we ask for healing for a sick world: Please heal those who are already ill. Please prevent the elderly and others who are especially vulnerable to this virus. Please intervene to slow the spread of this virus in countries all over the globe. Please give wisdom, insight and knowledge to scientists and researchers as they search for the most effective treatments and for a vaccine. Please provide for a vaccine to be quickly discovered, tested, developed, and made available.

Lord, even though this virus has stopped the world in its tracks, do not impede the growth of your Kingdom. We pray for your Holy Spirit to rain down on our country during this time of difficulty so that many may turn to Jesus for comfort and find in him a loving friend and saviour. Oh Lord, have mercy on this world, we ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

Heavenly Father, continue to give wisdom, guidance, and protection from the evil one to our Prime Minister Scott Morrison. We thank you that he is your child and seeks to serve you. Amen

*Spend some time praying also for those on our weekly prayer list below, those known to you, and the concerns of your heart*

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us, 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 for  
ever. Amen.**

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Gracious God, all things come from you,  
and you teach us to be generous with what we have.  
We pray that our gifts may be wisely used  
for the ministry of the gospel and the relief of those in need,  
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

## **HYMN**

**Ride on, ride on in Majesty!**

*Tune Winchester New*

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!  
The winged squadrons of the sky  
look down with sad and wondering eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Your last and fiercest strife is nigh;  
the Father on his sapphire throne  
expects 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.

## **GOD'S BLESSING**

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified 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 always. **Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

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

Please continue to generously support St Peter's, especially during this time, so that we might continue our ministry to Cremorne and beyond.

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# **PARISH BULLETIN**

## **WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS**

### **THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION**

We pray for the Anglican Communion, for Justin of Canterbury, Philip our Primate, Glenn our Archbishop, Chris our Bishop and the Northern Region. Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

### **ST PETER'S PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES**

For our Rector Rev'd Tim St Quintin and Mak Miyashita as he looks for a ministry position. For our pastoral care team. For Rev'd Stuart Smith and the parishioners of St Clement's, Mosman.

### **THE WIDER WORLD AND LOCAL COMMUNITY**

For world peace and for all world leaders in their responsibility to those under their care. For our Governor General, our State Governor, Prime Minister and Premier, and all who have responsibility for government administration. For people suffering financial hardship as a result of the economic effect of the coronavirus; the ongoing drought and the recent bushfire crisis as they struggle to maintain surety for their family.

### **OUR PARISHIONERS**

Shirley, Bruce and Marion, Robert and Claudia, Jane, Laura and Taylor, Suzanne, Philip, Kate, Andrew and Olivia, Tim, Peter and Christine, Kathy, Naveen, Suma, Nikita and Nia, Nicole, Esme.

### **THE SICK**

*The immediate sick*

Ingrid, Rein, Malcolm, Peter, Mitsunobu, Jane, Janne, Moses, Pamela, Helen, Peter, Tim, Maryanne, Bryan, Georgina

*Those requiring on-going prayer*

Rev'd Greg, Sharon, Bobbie Dee, Christine, Roger, Inga, Geoff, Joy, Penelope, Anne, Elizabeth, Vatche, Martha, Richard, Di, Noel, Howard, Max, Tom, Claudia, Gigi, Frank, Judith, Jenny, Sally.



*Those in residential care*

Peter and Patricia, Glenyth, Ros, Jeremy.

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

We praise God for his faithful servants in every age. We pray that we, with all who have died in the faith of Christ, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of God's eternal kingdom. We remember the recently deceased and those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Venice Thom and Faith Hollier.