

The Cathedral Church of St Peter Bradford



The Liturgy of Palm Sunday Sunday, 2nd April, 2023

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Our purpose is serving Christ and transforming lives through welcome, worship and encounter.

- ❖ Welcome to Bradford Cathedral, particularly if you are visiting or with us for the first time − if you are, please do introduce yourself to a Steward or member of the Clergy. We hope you will stay and enjoy refreshments with us after the service, which will be served at the West End of the Cathedral.
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- You are invited to join in the words in **bold type** in this order of service and sit or stand as directed as you are able.
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Organ Voluntary

O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde gross BWV 622

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Welcome and Introduction

The Revd Pete Gunstone, Interim Precentor

Commemoration of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem

Introit

As the choir sing, we stand and face the west end of the cathedral.

Hosanna filio David:

Benedíctus qui venit in nomine Domini.

Rex Israel:

Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna to the son of David:

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

O King of Israel:

Hosanna in the highest.

Words: Matthew 21.9 Music: Plainsong

The Greeting

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

Introduction

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, 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.

We hold up our palms.

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 is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Palm Gospel

The Revd Nathaniel Osunwa

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying 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. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately. ^{*} ⁴This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

5'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.' ⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd^{*} spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The 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!'

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' ¹¹The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

Matthew 21.1-11

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Procession

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

The congregation are invited to follow the choir and clergy in a procession, hold aloft their palms. We will process out of the North Porch, up the path towards the pedestrian gate, then down the driveway and around to the West Steps, re-entering the Cathedral by the West door and then returning to our places.

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 blessèd one:

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

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

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, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

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

Thy sorrow and thy triumph grant us, O Christ, to share, that to the holy city together we may fare:

For homage may we bring thee our victory o'er the foe, that in the Conqueror's triumph this strain may ever flow:

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821), tr. J. M. Neale (1818-66) Music: 'St Theodulph', melody by M. Teschner (c. 1613), J. S. Bach (1685-1750) CP 128

The Collect

Let us pray for a closer union with Christ in his suffering and in his glory.

Silence is kept.

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 Passion

The Gospel Acclamation



Choir

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

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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.

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

We sit, and the congregation are invited to join in the Passion Reading in bold.

The Passion Reading

The Very Revd Andy Bowerman, The Revd Pete Gunstone, Una Barry, Maria Abboodas

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

One of the Twelve, the man 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 Judas began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus.

"Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

"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."" The disciples did what Jesus told them and prepared the Passover.

When the evening Jesus was at table with the twelve disciples. And while they were eating he said, "I tell you solemnly, one of you is about to betray me." They were greatly distressed and started asking him, "Surely not I, Lord?"

"Someone who has dipped his hand into the dish 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 was to betray him, asked, "Surely not I, Rabbi?"

"They are your own words."

While they were eating, Jesus took some bread, and after blessing it he broke it and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Then he took the 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 the new wine with you in my Father's kingdom."

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

"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." At this Peter said, "Though all become deserters because of you, I will never desert you."

"Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."

"Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all the disciples said the same.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,

"Stay here while I go over there to pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little further, 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." He came back to the disciples and found them sleeping.

"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 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 a 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 and with him a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. The traitor had arranged a sign with them, 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.

"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.

"Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword die 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?" It was at this time that Jesus said to the crowd

"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 to fulfil the prophecies in the scriptures." 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. Peter followed him at a distance, and when he reached the high priest's palace, he went in and sat down with the attendants in order to see how this would end.

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 made a statement.

"This man said: 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days."

The high priest then stood up and said, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" Jesus was silent. "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God."

"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."

"He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What is your verdict?"

"He deserves to die."

Then they spat in his face and hit him with their fists.

"Play the prophet, Christ! Who hit you then?"

Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant girl came to him and said, "You were with Jesus the Galilean."

"I do not know what you are talking about." When he went out to the gateway another servant girl saw him and said to the people there, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth."

"I do not know the man."

A little later the bystanders came up and said to him,

"You are one of them for sure! Your accent gives you away."

"I do not know the man." At that moment the cock crowed and Peter remembered what Jesus had said, "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." 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 found that Jesus had been condemned, he was filled with remorse and took the thirty pieces of silver back to the chief priests and the elders, saying, "I have sinned. I have betrayed innocent blood."

"What is that to us? That is your concern."

Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed; and he went and hanged himself. The chief priests picked up the silver pieces and said

"It is against the Law to put this into the treasury; it is blood money."

After conferring together, they used them to buy to potter's field as a place to bury foreigners. For this reason that field has been called Field of Blood to this day. The words of the prophet Jeremiah were then fulfilled: 'And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the sum at which the precious one was priced by children of Israel, and they gave them for the potter's field, just as the Lord directed me.'

Jesus was then brought before the governor who put to him this question.

"Are you the king of the Jews?"

"It is you who say it." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer.

"Do you not hear how many charges they have brought against you?" But to the governor's complete amazement, he offered no reply to any of the charges.

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 when the crowd 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 Pilate knew it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over.

While Pilate was sitting on the judgement 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." The chief priests and the elders, however, had persuaded the crowd to demand the release of Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again spoke.

"Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" The crowd said,

"Barabbas."

"What should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?"

"Let him be crucified."

"Why? What evil has he done?"

"Let him be crucified."

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.

The Sovereign Lord has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary.

He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.

The Sovereign Lord has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away.

I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting.

Because the Sovereign Lord helps me,
I will not be disgraced.
Therefore have I set my face like flint,
and I know I will not be put to shame.
He who vindicates me is near.
Who then will bring charges against me?
Let us face each other!
Who is my accuser?
Let him confront me!
It is the Sovereign Lord who helps me.
Who will condemn me?

We stand.

On their way out, they came across a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled him to carry Jesus' 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 finished crucifying him they shared out his clothing by casting lots, and then sat down and stayed there keeping guard over him. Over his head they put the charge against him. It read: This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.

At the same time two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. Those who passed by derided him and shook their heads at him, 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."

The chief priests with the scribes and the elders also mocked him.

"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."

Even the robbers who were crucified with him mocked him in the same way.

From noon there was darkness over all the land until three in the afternoon. And at 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 heard this they said,

"The 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. The rest of them 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 the Son of God."

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 that the tomb 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.

Isaiah 50.4-9a; Matthew 26.14 - 27.66.

This is the Passion of the Lord.

We remain standing in silence for a few minutes.

Prayers of Confession and Intercession

The Revd Nathaniel Osunwa

We stand with Christ in his suffering.

For forgiveness for the many times we have denied Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For grace to seek out those habits of sin which mean spiritual death, and by prayer and self-discipline to overcome them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Christian people, that through the suffering of disunity there may grow a rich union in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who make laws, interpret them, and administer them, that our common life may be ordered in justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who still make Jerusalem a battleground, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who have the courage and honesty to work openly for justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in the darkness and agony of isolation, that they may find support and encouragement, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who, weighed down with hardship, failure, or sorrow, feel that God is far from them,

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who are tempted to give up the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we, with those who have died in faith, may find mercy in the day of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

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.

Ephesians 2.13,14

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

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.

Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.

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.

In life, no house, no home my Lord on earth might have; in death, no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave.

What may I say?

Heaven was his home; but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

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.

Words: Samuel Crossman (1624-83) Music: 'Love unknown', John Ireland (1879-1962) CP 112

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.

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer B

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.

It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and singing:

Choir

Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Music: 'Mass for Three Voices', William Byrd (1543-1623)

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.

You are the Saviour of the world.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

We sit or kneel in silence.

The Lord's Prayer

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 the Bread

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

Agnus Dei

Choir Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

Music: 'Mass for Three Voices', William Byrd (1543-1623)

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Please come forward to receive communion as directed by the stewards.

Please indicate to those serving communion if you would like a gluten-free wafer. If you would like to receive a blessing rather than communion, please keep your hands down.

Communion Motet

Choir Christus factus est pro nobis obediens

usque ad mortem, mortem autem crucis.

Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum et dedit illi nomen,

quod est super omne nomen.

Christ became obedient for us unto death, even to the death, death on the cross.

Therefore, God exalted him and gave him a name

which is above all names.

Words: Philippians 2.8-9 Music: Felice Anerio (c.1560-1614)

Silence is kept.

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.

Amen.

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 stand.

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 wingèd 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.

Words: H. H. Milman (1791-1868) Music: 'Winchester New', Musicalisches Hand-Buch, Hamburg (1690) CP 129 (i)

The 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 his 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.

Amen.

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.

We remain standing as the choir and clergy exit.

Organ Voluntary

Toccata-Prelude on 'Pange Lingua'

E. C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

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HOLY WEEK AT BRADFORD CATHEDRAL

The cathedral will be open for private prayer between 10am-4pm, Monday-Saturday. The Deposition of Christ, an exhibition by Simon Rice, is available until Good Friday (7th April). Canon Ned is leading services in Outlane and Stainland this morning.

TODAY	8am	Holy Communion
PALM SUNDAY	10.30am	The Liturgy of Palm Sunday (Choral Eucharist)
2 nd April	10.30am	Children's Space
Palm Sunday	12pm	Lent Group: Failure
	2pm	Come and Sing Stainer's Crucifixion rehearsal
	5pm	Stainer's Crucifixion: a liturgical performance
Monday, 3 rd April	9.00am	Morning Prayer (online)
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online)
Tuesday, 4 th April	9.00am	Morning Prayer (online)
	1.30pm	Stitching @ Bradford Cathedral
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online)
Wednesday, 5 th April	8.15am	Holy Communion
	9.00am	Morning Prayer (online)
	10.15am	Holy Communion
	lpm	Organ Recital
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online)
	7.30pm	Lent Group: Failure
MAUNDY	9.00am	Morning Prayer (online)
THURSDAY	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online)
6th April	7pm	Choral Eucharist, the Washing of Feet, the Stripping of the Altars (finishes c.8.30pm), followed by the Watch (until midnight)
GOOD FRIDAY	9.00am	Morning Prayer (online)
7 th April	12.00pm	Preaching the Cross
	1.30pm	The Liturgy of Good Friday (Eucharist)
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online)
HOLY SATURDAY	9.00am	Morning Prayer (online)
8 th April	lpm	Messy Easter (Please book to secure your place)
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online)
	7.00pm	The Easter Liturgy: Vigil, Service of the Light, Baptism/al Renewal and Choral Eucharist
EASTER DAY	8am	Holy Communion
9 th April	10.30am	Choral Eucharist (President & Preacher: Rt Revd Nick Baines, Bishop of Leeds)
	3.30pm	Choral Evensong

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY@ONE ORGAN RECITALS celebrate female composers this term. This week: Carolyn Craig (Westminster). The recital, which starts at Ipm, will be preceded by a buffet lunch (£4) at 12.30pm. Details: https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/organ-recitals

EASTER HOLIDAY FAMILY ACTIVITIES. Tuesday, April 11th, 10am-12 noon or from 1pm-3pm. Crafts, colouring, trails, quizzes and fun for all the family. Family-friendly guided tours at 11am and 2pm. Booking is essential. All are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This event is now full but we are operating a waiting list. Please register at https://family-activities-apr22.eventbrite.co.uk/?aff=notices

THE HARSNETT CHOIR will be leading music at our services on Saturday, 15th April (5.30pm Choral Evensong) and Sunday, 16th April (10.30am Choral Eucharist and 3.30pm Choral Evensong), accompanied by our Sub-Organist and Assistant Director of Music, Graham Thorpe.

MONDAY FELLOWSHIP at 2pm on 17th April in the De Lacy Centre will feature cathedral congregation members, Maurice and Pam Manktelow, speaking about 'The Birds: Our Teachers'. All are welcome.

BIBLE IN A DAY A visual and interactive journey through the Bible, looking at people, stories and themes with Revd Canon John Bavington. St John's, Great Horton, on Saturday, April 29, from 1000-1500. Refreshments from 0930. Bring your own lunch. Book online here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bible-in-a-day-tickets-551551624757

CORONATION WEEKEND

Saturday, 6th May. The Coronation of King Charles III. Time to be announced. A live-stream of the coronation service, preceded by a short act of worship, continuing until after the appearance of the King, Queen Consort and Royal Family on the balcony of Buckingham Palace

Sunday, 7th May at 3pm: A Service of Thanksgiving for the King's Coronation, preceded by 'Ring for the King', in which the cathedral bells will be rung. (8am Holy Communion (BCP) and 10.30am Choral Eucharist as usual.)

Monday, 8th May from 10am. The Big Help Out: a litter pick around the cathedral parish. Further details to follow. Please note that the Cathedral will be closed for visitors on this day.

NOTICES

BAPTISM AND THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS. Baptism is the moment in the journey of faith when an individual makes a public commitment to follow Jesus Christ and the Church baptises them in water, marking their rebirth as a member of the Body of Christ. Whilst we are always happy to receive requests for baptism, there will be a particular opportunity to be baptised and to renew our baptismal vows on Easter Eve, this Saturday, 8th April, at the 7pm Easter Vigil and Eucharist. Please speak with one of the clergy if you are interested and/or have any questions.

CONFIRMATION is the moment when the Bishop prays over an individual who has been baptised, 'Confirm, O Lord, your servant with your Holy Spirit. We encourage all who have been baptised to consider being confirmed if they have not already been confirmed. The next Confirmation service at the Cathedral will be on Sunday, 21st May at 10.30am. If you would like to explore this possibility, please speak to one of the clergy.