



## Lent 6 9th April 2017 Palm Sunday

Welcome to our services at  
St Nicholas' in Worth and St.  
Barnabas' in Pound Hill.

This sheet details the readings in today's services and notices for everyone. **It is for you to take home and share.** If you are here for the first time, please do introduce yourselves. Please feel free to use the soft toys and books at the back of the church for your children. At Communion, everyone is welcome to come up and receive a blessing or, if baptised, share the bread and wine. We'd also love you to join us for refreshments after the service.

### SERVICES TODAY

08.00 Holy Communion	St Nicholas'
<i>Celebrant &amp; Preacher:</i>	Revd David Knight
09.45 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'
<i>Celebrant &amp; Preacher:</i>	Revd Frances Pole
10.00 Eucharist	St Barnabas'
<i>Celebrant &amp; Preacher:</i>	Revd David Knight
12.00 Baptism	Revd Canon Julia Peaty

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This week, of all weeks, is the Holiest in the Church's calendar.

It begins so optimistically, with Jesus' triumphant ride from the Mount of Olives, across the Kidron Valley and into Jerusalem – and ends so tragically on Good Friday with the death of Jesus on the Cross of Calvary.

Consider the attitudes and moods of the main characters: Jesus, knowing what was going to happen to him, remains calm on the outside – but understandably fearful and apprehensive on the 'inside'. Judas who was to betray Jesus, keen to make some money – but having done so realised the enormity of what he had done goes and hangs himself. The disciples, oblivious of what was going to happen to Jesus, enjoy a cosy Passover meal. Only when Jesus is arrested do they take fright and hide.

Then there are the others: the religious leaders who are determined to have Jesus put to death. Caiphas who is prepared to listen to false evidence; Pontius Pilate who is utterly confused but gives way under pressure to sign Jesus' death warrant. The crowds who, on Palm Sunday cheer Jesus on as King, now have turned against him.

As we keep this Holy Week think behind the Gospel texts and echo the words of St Thomas: "My lord and My God".

*Francis Pole*

## Collect

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**

## Liturgy of the Palms *Matthew 21. 1 – 11*



When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two

disciples, saying 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. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, '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.'

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

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

## **Liturgy of the Passion**

### **First Reading:**

*Isaiah 50: 4 – 9a*

### **God's Servant Must Suffer**

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 awakens— awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. 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. 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; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. 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.

I TRUST in you  
I say, LORD,  
You ARE my GOD  
My TIMES are in  
Your HANDS  
Psalms 31: 14,15

**Psalm  
31. 9-16**

### **Julian Groups.**

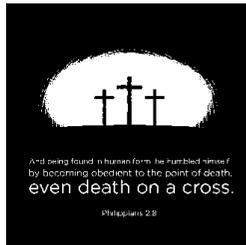
There will **NO** Julian Group at St. Nicholas in April (Maundy Thursday)

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There will be **NO** meetings at St Barnabas' on 10th Apr or 8th May. Next meeting 12th June.

## Second Reading:

### Philippians 2. 5-11

Think the same way that Christ Jesus thought: Christ was truly God, but he did not try to remain equal with God. Instead he gave up everything and became a slave, when he became like one of us. Christ was humble. He obeyed God and even died on a cross. Then God gave Christ the highest place and honoured his name above all others. So at the name of Jesus everyone will bow down, those in heaven, on earth, and under the earth. And to the glory of God the Father everyone will openly agree, "Jesus Christ is Lord!"



## Gospel

**The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ –**  
*Matthew 26. 14 - 27. 66*

## Post 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.

## Notices & Diary Notes

**Friday lunches** will resume on 21<sup>st</sup> April @ 12.30 in the PC 2 courses + tea / coffee - £5.50. All welcome. Please order tickets by 19<sup>th</sup> (for catering) for 21<sup>st</sup> Apr at the PC or call 0300 111 8150. [No lunch on Good Friday 14<sup>th</sup>!]

The Parish Prayer Group will meet on **Monday 10th April at 7.30pm** at St Barnabas. Despite the short notice, newcomers would be very welcome. No previous experience necessary!

**11<sup>th</sup> Apr – Last Lenten Soup Lunch 12.15 pm** served in the PC Centre, in aid of Parish World Bank. All welcome.

The Saturday Market on 1<sup>st</sup> April raised £115 and the Knit n Natter stall raised £41 for Chestnut Tree House. Thanks to all our supporters

**Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> April** Maundy Thursday Eucharist and Supper, St Barnabas' - this will take place at 7.00pm - please sign the list at St. Barnabas' if you intend to come (to help with catering) or contact the Parish Office. All welcome. Names by 9<sup>th</sup> April please.

**NB: Sat 15<sup>th</sup> April:** Holy Saturday 8pm Service at St N **will not now take place.**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Big Church Day Out** at Wiston House, Steyning. Fun & modern worship. Contact for tickets 01903 815020

**June 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Open Air play of the Life of Christ** at Wintershall, Bramley, Nr Guildford – see posters in churches.

## Hall Toilets Refurbishment Update

A quote of £19,414 has been accepted for the work. £8150 has been donated in grants and parishioners have donated £5400+ (mostly gift aided so roughly + £1315). This leaves a shortfall of approx £4500 to raise in the next 3 months. (we await the result of our application to the Big Lottery - due in May).

Wed 26<sup>th</sup> April 17

St Barnabas Hall  
15.00 – 17.00



Wed 10<sup>th</sup> May

Maidenbower 15.15

Old and new friends welcome

**Easter Flowers @ St. Nicholas:** Donations for Easter flowers in memory of loved ones, would be most welcome! Please post your donation through the box at the back of the church and include the slip with names. Thank you!

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THE PROCESSION,  
WE'RE GOING TO  
HEAR THE STORY OF  
THE SUFFERING  
OF JESUS.

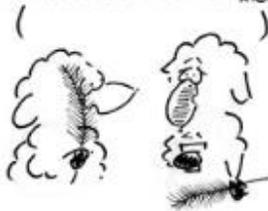
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AND THEN, ON  
FRIDAY, WE'RE GOING TO  
HEAR IT ALL OVER AGAIN?

RIGHT.



BECAUSE YOU CAN'T  
HAVE TOO MUCH  
OF A GOOD  
THING!

RIGHT!



MATTHEW 23:1-11

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## Services for Holy Week

**Tuesday** NO Eucharist on 11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>  
at St. Barnabas

**Maunder Thurs** 13<sup>th</sup>

10.30 am Eucharist St. Nicholas

7.00 pm Eucharist & Agape

St. Barnabas

8.00 pm Eucharist & Foot Washing

Followed by Vigil St. Nicholas

**Good Friday**

9.45am Service prior to Walk of  
Witness @ CURC

10.30am Walk of Witness from CURC  
followed by refreshments in Past Centre

2.00pm Passion & Eucharist @

St. Nicholas

**Easter Saturday** 15<sup>th</sup>

3.30pm Building of Easter Garden at St.  
Nicholas. Please bring a small plant or  
two for the garden.

**Easter Sunday** 16<sup>th</sup>

06.00 Sunrise Eucharist Worth Park Lake

8.00 Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am Sung Eucharist Baptism &

Easter Egg Hunt St. Nicholas

10.00am Eucharist & Easter Egg Hunt

St. Barnabas

## Readings for Easter Sunday

1 Corinthians 15. 1-8

Colossians 3. 1-4

Gospel Matthew 28. 1-10

Plastic milk bottle tops, used postage  
stamps, unwanted mobile phones and used  
printer inkjet cartridges can be used by  
various charities.

Please bring to the Pastoral Centre.

Thank you.



## CONTACTS

During the interregnum the Rural Dean,  
the Revd Canon Julia Peaty & Church  
Wardens, Phyl Pennell and Gerald  
Sandwell, are the Sequestrators  
(responsible for clergy cover).

Also Revd Gordon Parry has offered his  
number 07802 43 23 98 if anyone  
specifically needs to talk with a member  
of clergy

### Churchwardens

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