

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2019

**Maundy Thursday: 18 April**

**6.00 pm: Maundy Thursday Supper** will be a bring and share supper. Please enter your name/details on the List at the back of church or let the church office know.

**7.30 pm: Holy Communion Service**

**Good Friday: 19 April**

**10.30 am: An Hour at the Cross Readings, Anthems and Hymns reflecting on Jesus' Passion.**

There will be a special "Children's Hour at the Cross" during the service.

**3.15-4.45 pm: Wintershall Passion** Live from Trafalgar Square (shown on TV in St Mary's Vestry)

(Church will be open from 2.45pm for silent prayer)

**Easter Sunday: 21 April**

**10.30am: Easter Celebration Service**

After the service: Big Easter Egg Hunt for children!

**Please pick up extra copies of the "Easter 2019" leaflet to invite family, friends and neighbours to our services and events.**

**St Mary's Cleaning and Preparation for Easter**

On Saturday 21 April at 9.30am we will be cleaning and preparing the Church for Easter. Every helping hands would be most welcome. Please let the Churchwardens know if you are able to help.

### Vestry Teas

The Vestry Tea rota is now available at the back of church. Please do sign up. If you organising a vestry tea in aid of the church, you will have first choice of date. In April all other charities can sign up for any remaining dates.

### CONFIRMATION AT ST MARY'S

**Sunday, 30 June, 4pm**

Are you interested in being confirmed? Please contact our church office. We will then be in touch with more information. If you are not sure whether it is for you, talk to Christoph, Ian, Nnamdi or Francis.

## WEEKLY DIARY

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**

**10.30am** Holy Communion.

*Denham Garden Village*

**Maundy Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

**10.00am** Holy Communion. BCP. Vestry

**6.00pm** Maundy Thursday Supper Vestry

**7.30pm** Holy Communion St Mary's

**Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

**10.30am** An Hour at the Cross St Mary's

**3.15-4.45pm** Wintershall Passion Vestry

### DENHAM FAYRE

Collection for the **Tombola** at the Denham Fayre has begun. Please place any unwanted gifts which are in good condition in the Tombola Box at the back of the church.

We are running a **book stall** this year. Please place your book donations into the boxes provided at the back of church. *No other gifts, please. There will be no bric-a-brac stall.*

Please collect your **raffle tickets** which have been placed into named envelopes and are in the pigeon holes at the back of church. If you can sell more than you have been given, please contact the parish office.

Please pick up **posters (in A4 and A3)** at the back of church and ask shops, surgeries, etc. whether they'd be happy to display one.

### Book Stall

**Easter** cards and children's books are available on the book shelves at the back of church.

### Parenting Course (the Early Years)

From 2<sup>nd</sup> May – please pick up a flyer with more information at the back of church! (Registration essential – a form is included in the flyer)

**The Mission Aviation Fellowship** collect postcards (new and used) to raise funds for their work. Marion Francis and Carole Wadlow will be very happy to collect them from you and send them on. Thank you very much.



# PAROUSIA

Weekly News Sheet

**14<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

**Palm Sunday**

Welcome to church! If you are here for the first time or visiting, please say hello to the service leader or a member of the welcome team so we can welcome you personally. During the 10.30 service there is Sunday club for children. If your child is under three or if you would like to help him/her settle, you are welcome to join in.

*Christoph Lindner, Rector*

### OPEN THE GATES!

<sup>19</sup> Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD. <sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter. <sup>21</sup> I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. <sup>22</sup> The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; <sup>23</sup> the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. <sup>24</sup> The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad. <sup>25</sup> LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success! <sup>26</sup> Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you. <sup>27</sup> The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine on us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar. <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you. <sup>29</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

The nation's leaders rejected the psalmist as builders discard a useless stone. But God made him a cornerstone (verse 22). When he came to the temple's gates, where only the righteous might pass (verses 19–20), he was welcomed up to the horns of the altar (verse 27).

Later Jesus came to Jerusalem to the shouts of Psalm 118: 26: "Blessed is he who comes." He too was rejected by the leaders and went to the altar, but as a sacrifice for sin (Isaiah 53: 10; Hebrews 9: 12), making us righteous so we can go in to God (Hebrews 10: 22). When we pray, the "gates of the righteous" are opened. Through his sacrifice we have access to the Father by the Spirit (Ephesians 2: 18).

### PRAYER

"Lord, I praise you that your Son willingly paid a terrible price in order for me to gain access to you in prayer. If he was willing to come all the way from heaven to earth to do that, can I not rouse myself a bit earlier every morning to use this blood-bought gift? Lord, make me a person of prayer. Amen."

*(From Tim and Kathy Keller: My Rock, My Refuge – A Year of Devotions in the Psalms)*

## Worship today



14<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion St Mary's

**Sidesman:** Carlene Litchmore

**Reader:** Stephen Barrett

**Readings:** Philip 2. 5-11  
Matt. 27. 1-54

10.00am Procession from Denham  
Village Memorial Hall with Joey the  
Donkey

10.30am Sung Communion St Mary's:

**Sidesteam:**

Sylvia Gammond & Cheryl Webb

**Readings and Readers:**

Psalm 118, 1-2, 19-end Robin Doran

Luke 19. 28-40 Caroline Ashcroft

**Prayers:** Michael Carmody

**Servers:**

Christoph Lindner & Carlene Litchmore

**Sunday Club Leader:** Sheyla Johnson

**Destiny Leader:** Jane Brown

### Collect

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.

### 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.

## Psalm 118. 1-2, 19-end

<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever! <sup>2</sup> Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.' <sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. <sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. <sup>21</sup> I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. <sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. <sup>23</sup> This is the LORD's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. <sup>24</sup> This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. <sup>25</sup> Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success! <sup>26</sup> Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD. <sup>27</sup> The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. <sup>29</sup> O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**All: Thanks be to God**

## Luke 19. 28-40

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>28</sup> After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' <sup>32</sup>So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' <sup>34</sup>They said, 'The Lord needs it.' <sup>35</sup>Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup>saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!' <sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' <sup>40</sup>He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Worship next week



21<sup>st</sup> April 2019  
Easter Day

8.00am Holy Communion St Mary's

**Sidesman:** Philip Constable

**Reader:** Roger Gage

**Readings:** Col 3. 1-7  
John 20. 1-10

9.55-10.00am Pre-Service Prayer  
St Mary's, front of church

10.30am Family Service St Mary's:

**Sidesteam:**

Maurice Litchmore & TBA

**Readings and Readers:**

Luke 24. 1-12 TBA

Acts 10. 34-43 Carole Wadlow

**Prayers:** Ann Collins

**Sunday Club Leader:** Edda Lindner

After the service: Big Easter Egg Hunt for children!

In your prayers this week, please remember **Jo Beal, Vi Slade, Sean Ryde, Audrey Sells and Christine Willson**. Also anyone known to us who is sick or suffering the pain of bereavement at this time especially the family of **William Collins, Pamela Nicholson and Anthony Lathwell**.

