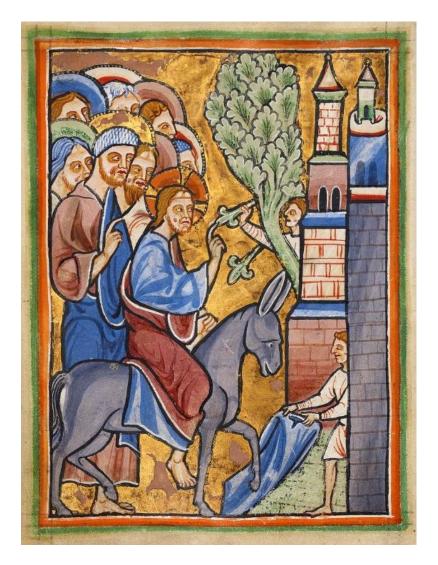
# Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 10, 2022

Sung Mass at 9:30 am



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The Palm Branches and crosses are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God, and in memory of Hortense Wasteneys; and by Eva Kushner, in deeply loving memory of Bruce Mutch.

Flowers in the Church on Easter day are the gift of the congregation.

Donations may be made in memory of family and friends by filling out the appropriate flower envelope. Names and thanksgivings will be published in the Easter booklets. Anonymous donations are also gratefully accepted.

# Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. D'Angelo

Passion Gospel: Fr. D'Angelo, John Stuart, and Evelyn Chau

Reader: Ronwen Guest

Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

#### **PROVISOS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE**

Masks are still required until May 1. The mask must be an N95, KN95, or acceptable equivalent. Exemptions are allowed as provided for by law; please inform a sidesperson if an exemption applies to you.

The Diocese has approved a return to congregational singing! Please join in heartily. Though distancing is no longer a requirement, please inquire of your nearest neighbours to ensure that all are comfortable and accommodated.

# MUSIC OF THE MASS – New Plainsong Mass, David Hurd

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

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

People: Blessèd is he who comes in the Name of the Lord;

Hosanna in the highest.

Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy into the celebration of those mighty acts whereby you give us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

THE GOSPEL OF THE PALMS – Luke 19.28-40

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 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. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 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, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we pray you bless these palm branches and make them holy. Today we joyfully acclaim Jesus our Messiah and King. May we reach one day the happiness of the new and everlasting Jerusalem by faithfully following him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

The palms are sprinkled with holy water.

# **HYMN 131** - Ride on! ride on in majesty!

- 1 Ride on! ride on in majesty!Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;O Saviour meek, pursue thy roadWith palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on! ride on in majesty!In lowly pomp ride on to die;O Christ, thy triumphs now beginO'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
  The angel-squadrons of the sky
  Look down with sad and wondering eyes
  To see the approaching Sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
  Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh,
  The Father on his sapphire throne
  Expects his own anointed Son.
- 5 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.

WINCHESTER NEW Adapted from a chorale in Musicalisches Handbuch, Hamburg 1690 Henry Milman 1791-1868

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross. May we follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## **FIRST READING:** Philippians 2.5-11

A reading from St Paul's epistle to the Philippians:

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, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you Lord, King of eternal glory. Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. Praise to you Lord, King of eternal glory.

Please remain standing for the Gospel, but if you need to sit please do so. You may wish to stand again at "When it was noon. . .

#### **PASSION GOSPEL:** Luke 23.1-49

Dialogue Reading: (N) Narrator. (+) Jesus, and (P) Other Persons. The part of the crowd (C) is taken up by the whole congregation.

(N) The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

#### Jesus Before Pilate

- (N) Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,
- (C) "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king."
- (N) Then Pilate asked him,
- (P) "Are you the king of the Jews?"
- (N) He answered,
- (P) "You say so."
- (N) Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,
- (P) "I find no basis for an accusation against this man."
- (N) But they were insistent and said,
- (C) "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

## Jesus Before Herod

- (N) When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.
- (N) Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,
- (P) "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him."
- (N) Then they all shouted out together,
- (C) "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!"
- (N) (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,
- (C) "Crucify, crucify him!"
- (N) A third time he said to them,
- (P) "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him."
- (N) But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

## The Crucifixion of Jesus

- (N) As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said.
- (+) "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"
- (N) Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,
- (+) "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."
- (N) And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

- (C) "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!"
- (N) The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,
- (C) "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"
- (N) There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,
- (P) "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"
- (N) But the other rebuked him, saying,
- (P) "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong."
- (N) Then he said,
- (P) "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
- (N) He replied,
- (+) "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

## The Death of Jesus

- (N) It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,
- (P) "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."
- (N) Having said this, he breathed his last.

All kneel for a moment of silent reflection

- (N) When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,
- (P) "Certainly this man was innocent."
- (N) And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Please kneel or be seated for the keeping of a profound silence.

SERMON

Please stand.

#### **INTERCESSIONS**

*Celebrant*: Let us pray for all people and for the Church throughout the world asking; Lord, hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: For the nations of the world, the people and their leaders, that they may live with justice and in peace.

### Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who are ill or dying - that in their struggle they may be aware of your support and loving kindness.

## Lord, hear our prayer.

For the others for whom we are asked to pray - that abiding in your love, they will be sustained in the time of trial.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

For all that we are thankful for that we share silently or aloud - and that we may be for a blessing to all.

## Lord, hear our prayer.

For all preparing for baptism, especially our catechumens Obazee and James, that all who are called to baptism may grow in the faith of Christ.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

For the universal Church, (in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, for the Church of North India, for Andrew our Bishop, and for all who worship and minister in this place), that inspired by the Holy Ghost all people will live in unity and godly love.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the faith of Christ - that partaking with them in the Kingdom of Heaven, we will be strengthened to follow their good examples.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

*Celebrant*: Grant these prayers, Father, for Jesus' sake, our mediator and advocate, to whom, with you and the Spirit be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.** 

## Invitation, Confession, Absolution

*Celebrant*: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Please bow or kneel. Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

People: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Celebrant*: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

All standing, the Celebrant bids the Peace.

# THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.

## **OFFERTORY HYMN 596** - My song is love unknown

- 1 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?
- 2 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!
- 3 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.
- 5 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.
- 6 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.

Love Unknown John Ireland 1879-1962 Samuel Crossman, 1624-83

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Gracious God, the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son, makes us pleasing in your sight. Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice, may we receive your love and mercy. **Amen.** 

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself. By his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore with all the host of heaven who gather around your throne and the Lamb, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

#### **SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS**

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

#### Please remain standing.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the

Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant: Therefore, Father, according to his command:

People: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

People: 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.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant:* We break this bread,

People: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

People: If we have died with him,

we shall live with him;

if we hold firm,

we shall reign with him;

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Choir sings:

#### AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

All baptized Christians are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion as directed by the Sidespeople.

#### **MOTET**

Crux Fidelis, King John of Portugal

Faithful cross, above all other, one and only noble tree: None in foliage, none in blossom, none in fruit thy peer may be. Sweetest wood and sweetest iron, sweetest weight is hung on thee!

# AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

#### **ANIMA CHRISTI**

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.
In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee,
For ever and ever. Amen.

Please stand.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

God our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith, that through the death and resurrection of your Son, we may be led to salvation, for he is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### **BLESSING & DISMISSAL**

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him 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 amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# **CONCLUDING HYMN 593** – When I survey the wondrous cross

- When I survey the wondrous Cross
   On which the Prince of glory died,
   My richest gain I count but loss,
   And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the Cross of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his Blood.
- 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

ROCKINGHAM Adapted by Edward Miller, 1735-1807 Isaac Watts (1674-1748), 1707