

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2017 Palm Sunday

We begin our journey through Holy Week with the Palm Sunday procession to the Cathedral. We walk along singing, and recall again the story of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem with crowds waving palms and greeting him as king, only for the crowds to turn against him within a few days. In fickle and uncertain times, we can see how easy it is for the crowd to change course and be led in unexpected directions.

We need therefore to focus and reflect on the journey Christ took and this year we welcome the Rt Revd Michael Turnbull, former Bishop of Durham to help us do this. He will lead us from Bethphage to Golgotha with addresses at Compline on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the Eucharist of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday, and Meditation on the Cross on Good Friday. He will preach finally at Evensong on Easter Day.

Bishop Michael says "Holy Week is also a pilgrimage into the mind of Jesus, as he reflects on his ministry. We seek to enter the mind-set of Jesus, day by day."

This is the richest of seasons in which to reflect, to meditate and to pray. All are welcome at all of these services, and they are a good opportunity to invite others who have not been before to come along with you and spend a bit of time in quiet thought and contemplation.

Hosanna to the Son of David.

*The Reverend Canon Nick Ralph  
Residentiary Canon*

## TODAY

**Welcome** to Bishop Michael Turnbull, former Bishop of Durham, our preacher during Holy Week. Full details of our services are in the Holy Week leaflet.

**Palm Sunday** Our 10.30am service starts at Grand Parade before the procession to the Cathedral which will be led by a donkey. Parking for those who normally park on the west front is available on the south paving.

**Service and Events Listings** The new editions are now available.

**Parish Giving Scheme** Those who give through the scheme are invited to pick up a token from the Welcome Area to place into the offertory plate. If you would like details of the scheme which allows you to give regularly, with or without Gift Aid and anonymously if desired, please pick up one of the booklets or contact the Cathedral Offices.

## NOTICES

**Decorating the Cathedral for Easter** The Flower Guild would welcome help next Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April from 9.00am in the Cathedral. No previous experience necessary.

**Annual Meetings Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April** Elections for the two congregational representatives on Cathedral Council and three Deanery Synod representatives will take place at the APCM and for our two churchwardens at the Vestry Meeting. If you would like to know more about these important roles please speak to a member of Chapter. Nomination forms are available through the Cathedral Offices.

**Revision of Electoral Roll** The Electoral Roll is being reviewed until 14<sup>th</sup> April. A copy of the roll is on display in the Welcome Area. Please check it carefully and submit amendments using the slips provided. Those wishing to be added to the Electoral Roll should fill in and return an application form.

**Parking** A limited number of spaces will normally be available on the west front for volunteers and those in the congregation with mobility issues who do not have blue badges. Details from the Cathedral Offices.

**Spiritual Counsel or Confession** If you would like to take spiritual counsel or make confession before Easter please speak to one of the clergy direct.

**Rachel and Steve** wish to thank all the staff, volunteers and congregation for all the best wishes and generous gifts for their move to Somerset. They are settling in well to their new life but miss everyone.

**Quiet Afternoon** 2.00-4.30pm Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April. The first of this year's sessions will be a guided reflection on the theme of 'Working from a place of rest'. All welcome but booking essential through the Cathedral Shop.

**Cathedral Shop** Meaningful Chocolate Easter Eggs are in stock price £3.99. The shop will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

**Vacancies** We are looking for a Finance Officer (24 hours per week), an Assistant Verger (20 hours per week), and a Choir Matron to join the staff team. Full details are on the website, closing date Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

**Living Faith Course** - Module 5 - Exploring the Bible Old Testament will start on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April. This module gives an overview of the formation and theology of the Old Testament, along with specialist themes such as prophecy. For further details about this 10 week course please contact [sarah.lovatt@portsmouthcathedral.org.uk](mailto:sarah.lovatt@portsmouthcathedral.org.uk) in the Cathedral Offices.

## EVENTS

**RSCM Come and Sing** - 'The Crucifixion' by John Stainer 7.00pm Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April. Tickets £5.00, booking through [rscmportsmouth@gmail.com](mailto:rscmportsmouth@gmail.com) and details online at [www.facebook.com/rscmportsmouth](http://www.facebook.com/rscmportsmouth).

**Lunchtime Live** 1.10pm Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April. David Price and Tristan Button: organ and trumpet. Refreshments from 12.30pm. Retiring collection.

**'All Things Bright and Beautiful'** *exploring ecology and the environment through science, faith, and the arts.*

**Family Tree Exhibition** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May.

An exhibition of sculpture and prints exploring the ways we are all connected using the tree as its central metaphor by artist Rafael Klein, at the Cathedral and the Jack House Gallery.



Opening reception 7.00pm Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April Free events, all welcome. More details at <http://rafaelklein.com/familytree/>.

**Workshop with Lush Pompey** 10.30am and 12.30pm Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April. Two one-hour workshops where you can create your own 'Bath Bomb' and find out more about the sustainable and ethical practices of Lush. Cost £2.00 per person. <http://bit.ly/2oMkmB9>.

**Messy Cathedral with Rock Pool Encounter** 2.00pm Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April. Two thirty minute sessions, each for 30 children, at 2.00pm and 2.30pm provided by the Blue Reef Aquarium. All families are welcome to join in. Additional craft activities, worship, and afternoon tea.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**All those in need including:** Frank, Dennis, Aidan, Jen, Graeme, David, Allan, Julian, Vic, Mary and Martin.

**And those who have died:** Linda Brooks, Malcolm Savage (*Cathedral Memorial Service 3.00pm Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April*), and David Worster RIP.

## Today: Sunday 9th April, Palm Sunday

- 0800 Holy Communion (BCP said)  
1030 Procession of Palms and Eucharist (from Grand Parade)  
*sung by the Great Choir with Becket Strings*  
*Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a; Sung Passion according to Matthew*  
1800 Choral Evensong *sung by the Cathedral Choir*  
Preacher: The Rt Revd Michael Turnbull

## This Week

- Monday** 0745 Morning Prayer with Holy Communion  
1800 Evening Prayer *Said*  
2000 Address and Compline
- Tuesday** 0745 Morning Prayer with Holy Communion  
1800 Evening Prayer *Said*  
2000 Address and Compline
- Wednesday** 0745 Morning Prayer with Holy Communion  
1200 Holy Communion  
1800 Evening Prayer *Said*  
2000 Address and Compline
- Thursday** 0745 Morning Prayer  
1100 Chrism Mass  
1700 Evening Prayer *Said*  
1900 Eucharist of the Last Supper (*with incense*)  
Preacher: The Rt Revd Michael Turnbull
- Friday** 0900 Morning Prayer *Said*  
1000 Children's Service for Good Friday  
1200 Preaching of the Passion  
1400 Liturgy of the Passion
- Saturday** 2000 Easter Vigil Service with Baptism and Confirmation

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Day

- 0800 Holy Communion (BCP said)  
1030 Eucharist *sung by the Great Choir with Becket Players*  
*Readings: Acts 10.34-43; John 20.1-18*  
Preacher: The Dean  
1230 Holy Baptism  
1800 Festal Evensong *with incense* *sung by the Cathedral Choir*  
Preacher: The Rt Revd Michael Turnbull