

Welcome to
CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA
YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME



Entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem (1320) by Pietro Lorenzetti

The Sunday of the Passion
(Palm Sunday)

13 April 2025

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Setting: Colin Smith, *Shalom Setting*

*Christ Church St Kilda Parish acknowledges the
Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung with deep respect.
We give thanks to God for their Elders, both past and present,
and their continuing relationship to this land.*

CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA: YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME.

We gather to worship God and explore faith in Jesus, welcoming and celebrating the diverse St Kilda community.

In the next three to five years we aim:

- to grow an energetic and committed worshipping community.
- to provide an open, inclusive and welcoming space for everyone.
- to communicate a vibrant, joyful and loving faith.
- to build connections with the local community.
- to be faithful stewards of Church Square and its buildings.

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Weather-permitting, this morning's service begins outside the church.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

This morning begins the Great Week of the Christian Year.

During Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of the Lord's death and resurrection.

With Christians throughout the world, we come together this week to call to mind, and to express in word and action the centre of the Easter mystery: our Lord's Passover from death to life.

Christ entered in triumph into the Holy City to complete his work as Messiah: to suffer, to die and to rise to new life.

Today we commit ourselves to walk the way of the cross, so that, sharing his sufferings, we may be united with him in his risen life.

All hold up the palm branches and crosses to be blessed

Sovereign God, we thank you for these branches and crosses of palm. By your blessing may they be for us signs of the victory of your Son. May we who carry them in his name ever hail him as our Messiah, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 19.28-40

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All gather at the door of the church

The celebrant reads the prayer:

Merciful God, as we enter this holy week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that, united with Christ and all the faithful, we may one day enter in triumph the city not made with hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens, where, with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ lives in glory forever. **Amen.**

Let us proceed in peace.

In the name of Christ, Amen.

During the procession all sing:



***All glory, praise and honour to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.***

**You are the king of Israel
and David's royal son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
the king and blessed one. *Refrain.***

**The company of angels
are praising you on high,
and we and all creation
exultant make reply. *Refrain.***

**The people of the Hebrews
with palms before you went:
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. *Refrain.***

**To you before your passion
they sang their hymns of praise:
to you now high exalted
our melody we raise. *Refrain.***

**Their praises you accepted:
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good take pleasure,
our good and gracious king. *Refrain.***

*Theodulph of Orleans d.821
tr. John Mason Neale 1818–66 alt. TIS 333*

The celebrant reads the prayer of the day

Almighty and everlasting God, of your tender love towards us you sent your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility: mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

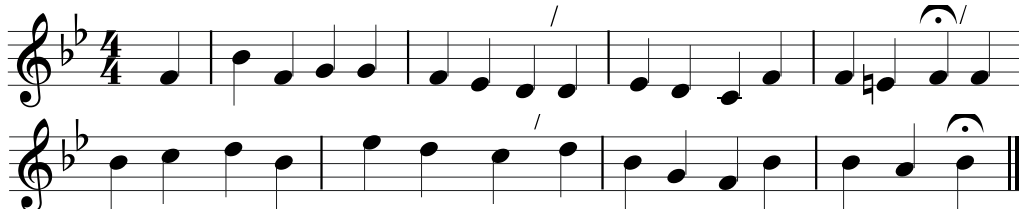
All sit

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians 2:5-11

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.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

All stand



**Ride on, ride on in majesty;
hark, all the tribes hosanna cry!
O Saviour, meek, pursue your road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty,
in lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, your 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;
your 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 your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, your power and reign!**

Henry Hart Milman 1791–1868 *alt.*
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*Remain standing or sit, as you are most comfortable, for the Passion
There are no responses before or after the Passion reading*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

All sit

Sermon – Fr Ken Letts

All kneel or sit

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each prayer

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer

All stand

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The altar is prepared and a collection is taken as all sing:



**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?**

**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 has 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.**

**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.**

Samuel Crossman 1624–84 *alt.*
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The response to the Offertory Prayers is:
Blessed be God for ever.

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.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... praising you and singing:



Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of — pow'r and might

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Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to 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.

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION

We who are many are one body:

For we all share in the one bread.

Cantor (or group) *All*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us.

5 *Cantor (or group)* *All*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

10 *Cantor (or group)* *All*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world grant us peace, grant us peace.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
 Happy are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
 but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

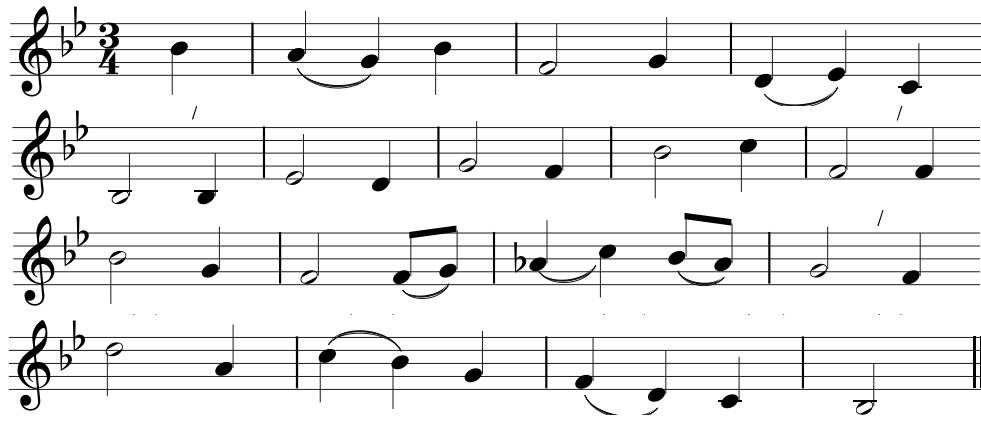
Communicant members of any church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer a blessing, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Communion is offered in both kinds. Please queue to receive the host (bread) first, and then the wine if you wish. All are welcome to receive the wine, but none must, as the sacrament is fully present in both species. PLEASE DO NOT INTINCT (DIP) THE HOST IN THE WINE as studies suggest this may be less hygienic than drinking from the common cup.

*During Communion the cantor will sing
 "As we rode down the steep hillside"*

After communion all stand

God our help and strength, through these holy mysteries confirm our faith, that by the death and resurrection of your Son we may walk in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE



**We sing the praise of him who died,
of him who died upon the cross;
the sinners' hope though all deride:
for this we count the world but loss.**

**Inscribed upon the cross we see
in shining letters, 'God is love';
he bears our sins upon the tree;
he brings us mercy from above.**

**The cross—it takes our guilt away,
it holds the fainting spirit up,
it cheers with hope the gloomy day
and sweetens every bitter cup:
it makes the coward spirit brave
and nerves the feeble arm for fight;
it takes all terror from the grave
and gilds the bed of death with light;
the balm of life, the cure of woe,
the measure and the pledge of love,
the sinner's refuge here below,
the angels' theme in heaven above.**

Thomas Kelly 1769–1855 *alt.*
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Announcements are made

Grant, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

All are welcome for Morning Tea in the Community Centre following the service.

From the Vicar

Dear parishioners and friends,

Holy Week is here, and now begins a week of constant prayer. Every day this week there is an opportunity to gather in worship, as we journey first to the cross and then beyond the grave. I warmly encourage you to be present for as many of the services this week as you can manage, but most especially for the Three Great Days of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Great Vigil on Easter Morning. Together these make a unity of worship that is at the heart of our faith, telling the story that binds us together.

Blessings,

- Fr Craig

RIP Judy Johnson

Longtime CCSK parishioner Judy Johnson died overnight last Sunday 6 April. Her funeral will be at Christ Church at 2pm, Tuesday 15 April. All are welcome.

HOLY WEEK

CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA

PALM SUNDAY – 13 April

9.30am Blessing of Palms and Parish Eucharist

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

9.30am Eucharist

MAUNDY THURSDAY – 17 April

7.00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY – 18 April

9.30am Ecumenical Service at 1 St Leonard's Ave

12noon The Celebration of the Lord's Passion

EASTER DAY – 20 April

6.00am Great Vigil of Easter

9.30am Easter Day Eucharist

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NOTICES

ROSTER FOR HOLY WEEK

Date	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Intercessions	Eucharistic Assistant	Offertory
13 th April Palm Sunday	Sandra Passion: Frs Ken/Glenn & Valerie	Lindy	Fr Craig	Elisabeth	Gary
17 th April Maundy Thurs 7pm	Fr Ken	Fr Glenn	Geoffrey (set text)	Geoffrey	Valerie
18 th April Good Fri 12 noon	Duncan	Lindy	n/a	n/a	Geoffrey
20 th April Easter Sunday 6am	Geoffrey Bob Fr Glenn Valerie Duncan	N/A	Fr Craig	Valerie	Charles
20 th April Easter Sunday 9.30am	Helen	Sandra	Fr Ken	Elisabeth	Elisabeth Gary

HOLY WEEK MUSIC PRACTICE

Immediately following today's service there will be a brief (less than 10 minutes) practice of some of the special musical responses during the three great services of the Triduum. Please do remain if you are able. Morning tea will follow the practice.

WORKING BEE

On Holy Saturday (19 April) there will be a short service of Morning Prayer at 9.30am, followed by a Working Bee to prepare the church for the Easter Services. Please consider whether you can assist. Many hands make light work!

FLOWERS

Following Lent with no flowers, a joy of Easter is to fill the Church with beautiful flowers and to also have lovely flowers for the special Festivals that follow Easter. Flowers do, however, cost money. Perhaps you would like to dedicate flowers in memory of a loved one or to mark a special occasion; if so, please tell Elisabeth so this can be recorded. On average they cost about

\$25 per week; a wee bit more for Easter Sunday. Elisabeth would be pleased to accept your donations. Many thanks to those who have given donations for flowers so far this year.

EASTER EGGS

On Easter Day, festive chocolate eggs are distributed after the services. If you are able to offer some Easter Eggs for this purpose, please speak to Valerie.

INTERCESSIONS

For the World:

For the renewal of the ceasefires between Israel, Hamas and Hezbollah, praying for the people of Palestine, Lebanon and Israel. For a just end to war between Ukraine and Russia. For those recovering from earthquake in Myanmar and Thailand. For all candidates in the forthcoming federal election.

For the Church:

In the world-wide Community of Faith, we pray for the Church of England. In Australia we pray for the Diocese of Gippsland (Bp Richard Treloar) and this diocese for Bp Genieve, Diocesan Administrator, for the members of the Board of Nominators as they prepare for the election synod, and for Trinity College Theological School.

For the Community:

For the economically deprived and the homeless.

For the anxious, the isolated, and those overcome by fear.

For Christ Church Mission and the Community Centre staff and volunteers.

For the Sick: Gaye, Josie, Hugh, Lee, Robyne & for those we name in our hearts.

Also remembering those with long-term needs for prayer: Danny Allan, Patty Dowd, John, Joe, Charles, Byron, Aaron, Helen, Fr Andrew, Evan, Ruth, Fran, Peter, Greg and Sharyn and family, Francesco.

For the Departed:

those who have died recently – Judy Johnson, and those whose Year's Mind occurs this week.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord & let light perpetual shine upon them.

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Please provide us with your phone number and/or email address so that we can get in touch and get to know you better. Tear off this form and hand it to the vicar or one of the welcomers.

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