

We may not be able to be in Church together, but we can hopefully join together through our own personal devotions, united by these words ...

PALM SUNDAY

and the start of HOLY WEEK ...

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PRAYER & REFLECTION *for this most HOLY of WEEKS*

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation,
enthroned upon the cross,
stir up in us the fire of your love
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and walk with you as children of light,
to the praise of your holy name

Saviour of the World

Jesus, Saviour of the world,
come to us in your mercy:
we look to you to save and help us.

By your cross and your life laid down,
you set your people free:
we look to you to save and help us.

When they were ready to perish, you saved your disciples:
we look to you to come to our help.

In the greatness of your mercy, loose us from our chains,
forgive the sins of all your people.

Make yourself known as our Saviour and mighty deliverer;
save and help us that we may praise you.

Come now and dwell with us, Lord Jesus Christ:
hear our prayer and be with us always.

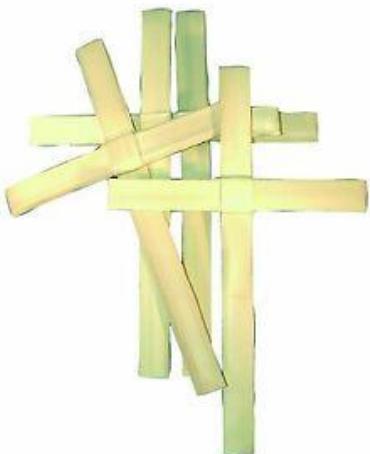
And when you come in your glory:
make us to be one with you
and to share the life of your kingdom

Matthew 21

When Jesus and the disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, he 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."

The Song of Christ's Glory

Christ Jesus was in the form of God,
but he did not cling to equality with God.

He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,
and was born in our human likeness.

Being found in human form he humbled himself,
and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him,
and bestowed on him the name above every name,

That at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth;

And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

A Quiet Moment ...

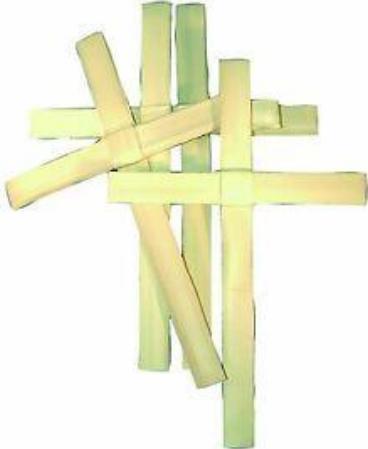
*... as you offer your own thoughts and prayers.
You may wish to focus upon our daily e-Prayer
or use the List version as a sort-of Litany
followed by ...*



We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:
Christ committed no sin,
no guile was found on his lips.
He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree
that we might die to sin
and live to righteousness.

By his wounds you have been healed.
We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;
by your holy cross,
you have redeemed the world

The Lord's Prayer



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.

Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.

Amen

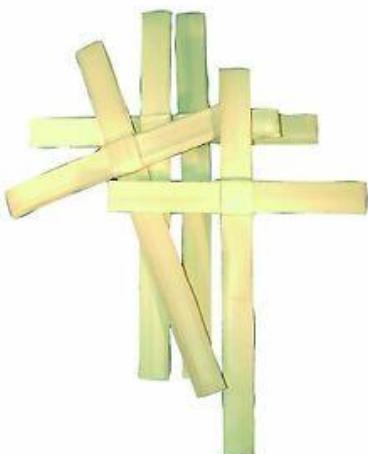


A Prayer for Holy Week

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.

Amen

May Christ, who bore our sins on the cross,
set us free to serve him with joy.
So, let us bless the Lord!



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