



Palm Sunday

10:15AM BLESSING OF PALMS & PROCESSION

*Gathering at the water feature
in Pennington Gardens*

10:30AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

With dramatic reading of Mark's Passion

<i>Celebrant:</i>	The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson
<i>Deacon:</i>	Aidan Kannieappan
<i>Subdeacon:</i>	Reuben Jacob
<i>Master of Ceremonies:</i>	Rijke Mellor
<i>Music Setting:</i>	Ireland in C
<i>Choir:</i>	St Peter's Cathedral Choir
<i>Director of Music:</i>	Anthony Hunt
<i>Organist:</i>	David Heah

Hymns: 159, 118, 147, 161



28 March 2021

Welcome:

"Ride on, ride on in majesty!"

The opening line of this quintessentially Palm Sunday hymn never fails to move me. It holds an invitation into both fascination and horror. Fascination as, inevitably, we are drawn to join the crowd of those accompanying Jesus into Jerusalem; and horror when we stop to think about all that is to happen in the next little while.

Today's services are an introduction to the rest of Holy week; an invitation to go with Jesus and face whatever he must. We know that will include great acts of love and service - the anointing of Jesus's feet, the washing of the disciples' feet by Jesus; the betrayal and denial by those closest to him; the arrest, travesty of trials and execution on a cross; the long hours of painful watching and waiting - and then the death. Between now and this time next week we will sweep through a range of emotions until, thankfully and joyfully, we emerge on Easter Day.

"Ride on, ride on in majesty!"

The Very Rev'd Frank Nelson, Dean

THE PROCESSION OF PALMS

10:15am Palm Crosses and Branches are distributed

The Dean leads:

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.

The Blessing of the Palms: please hold your palm cross up for blessing

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 Palm Gospel: Mark 11:1-11

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark:

Hosanna in the highest.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴ They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵ some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' ⁶ They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷ Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

¹¹ Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Let us praise Jesus our Messiah, as did the crowds who welcomed him to Jerusalem.

Let us proceed in peace. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

As the Bells ring out we make our way to the Cathedral.

The Crucifer and Choir lead the procession through Pennington Gardens and into the Cathedral.

Please remain standing to sing the Introit Hymn (A&M #159)

Refrain

*All glory, laud, and honour
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

**1. Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest,
the King and blessed one:
*All glory, laud, and honour...***

**2. The company of angels
are praising thee on high,
and mortal men and all things
created make reply:
*All glory, laud, and honour...***

**4. The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went:
our praise and prayer and anthems
before thee we present:
*All glory, laud, and honour...***

**5. To thee before thy passion
they sang their hymns of praise:
to thee now high exalted
our melody we raise:
*All glory, laud, and honour...***

**6. Thou didst accept their praises:
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King:
*All glory, laud, and honour...***

Tune: ST THEODULPH, Melody by M Teschner,
c. 1613 adapted and harmonised by J S Bach 1685-1750

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821) tr. J M. Neale 1818-1866

The Collects for Palm Sunday

Let us pray:

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 for ever. **Amen.**

God of all, you gave your only-begotten Son to take the form of a servant, and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus that, sharing in his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please sit for the Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a (read by Kirsty Munro)

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens – wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵ The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. ⁶ I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷ The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸ he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹ It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

The Choir sings Psalm 31:9-18 (Chant: Anthony Hunt)

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble:
my eye wastes away for grief, my throat also and my inward parts.
For my life wears out in sorrow, and my years with sighing:
my strength fails me in my affliction, and my bones are consumed.
I am become the scorn of all my enemies:
and my neighbours wag their heads in derision.
I am a thing of horror to my friends:
and those that see me in the street shrink from me.
I am forgotten like one dead and out of mind:
I have become like a broken vessel.
For I hear the whispering of many:
and fear is on every side;
While they plot together against me:
and scheme to take away my life.
But in you, Lord, have I put my trust:
I have said 'You are my God.'
All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies and from my persecutors.
Make your face to shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake.

New Testament Reading: Philippians 2:5-11 (read by Joe Thorp)

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Please stand to sing the Gradual Hymn (A&M #118)

During the hymn Children are invited to walk down the aisle to the altar where their cross will be collected, then go to the Cynthia Poulton Hall for Cathedral Kids. They will return in time for Communion.

1. **Drop, drop, slow tears,
and bathe those beauteous feet,
which brought from heaven
the news and Prince of Peace.**
2. **Cease not, wet eyes,
his mercies to entreat;
to cry for vengeance:
sin doth never cease.**
3. **In your deep floods
drown all my faults and fears;
nor let his eye
see sin, but through my tears.**

Tune: SONG 46, O. Gibbons, Words: P. Fletcher

The Passion according to Mark

Please refer to the blue booklet. Remain seated and join in where indicated – in good loud voice.

Please remain seated as the Choir sings:

Spiritual, arr. James Whitbourn (b. 1963) – *Were you there?*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Were you there when he rose up from the grave?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble.

Were you there when he rose up from the grave?

Litany of Intercession

Let us pray: I ask you to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, and for all the nations of the world. Pray for enemies to be reconciled and for justice to be done.

(Pause for silent prayer)

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

I ask you to pray for candidates for baptism and confirmation, and for Christians everywhere. Pray for courage and integrity in following the way of the cross.

(Pause for silent prayer)

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

I ask you to pray for all who offer their gifts to Christ, and for those who have betrayed his trust in them. Pray for love and loyalty in all our relationships.

(Pause for silent prayer)

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

I ask you to pray for the sick and all prisoners, and for people preparing to die. Pray for healing, freedom, and hope.

(Pause for silent prayer)

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

I ask you to pray for the forgiveness of our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for pardon and peace.

(Pause for silent prayer)

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

I ask you to give thanks for all the saints, and for the resurrection light that shines on them. Remember those who have died.

(Pause for silent prayer)

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Choir sings the Trisagion

Agios o Theos,	Agios ischyros,	Agios athanatos,	Eleison imas.
Holy God,	Holy and mighty,	Holy and immortal,	Have mercy on us.

The celebrant concludes with this prayer

Holy God, hear the prayers of your Church. Forgive our sins, and send us the grace we need to be faithful followers of our crucified and risen Lord, for we pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

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Please stand for the Greeting of Peace

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.**

Please remain standing to sing the Offertory Hymn (A&M #147)

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.**
4. **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.**

Tune: LOVE UNKNOWN, John Nicholson Ireland (1879-1962)

Words: Samuel Crossman (c.1624-1683)

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(can be tapped more than once)

Please remain standing

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever.**

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff is for the Priest, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And also with you." The second staff is for the People, with lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Priest, with lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with lyrics: "It is right to give our thanks and praise." Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. He offered the one true sacrifice for sin, and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. The tree of defeat became the tree of victory; where life was lost, there life has been restored. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

The Choir sings the Sanctus & Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory:
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

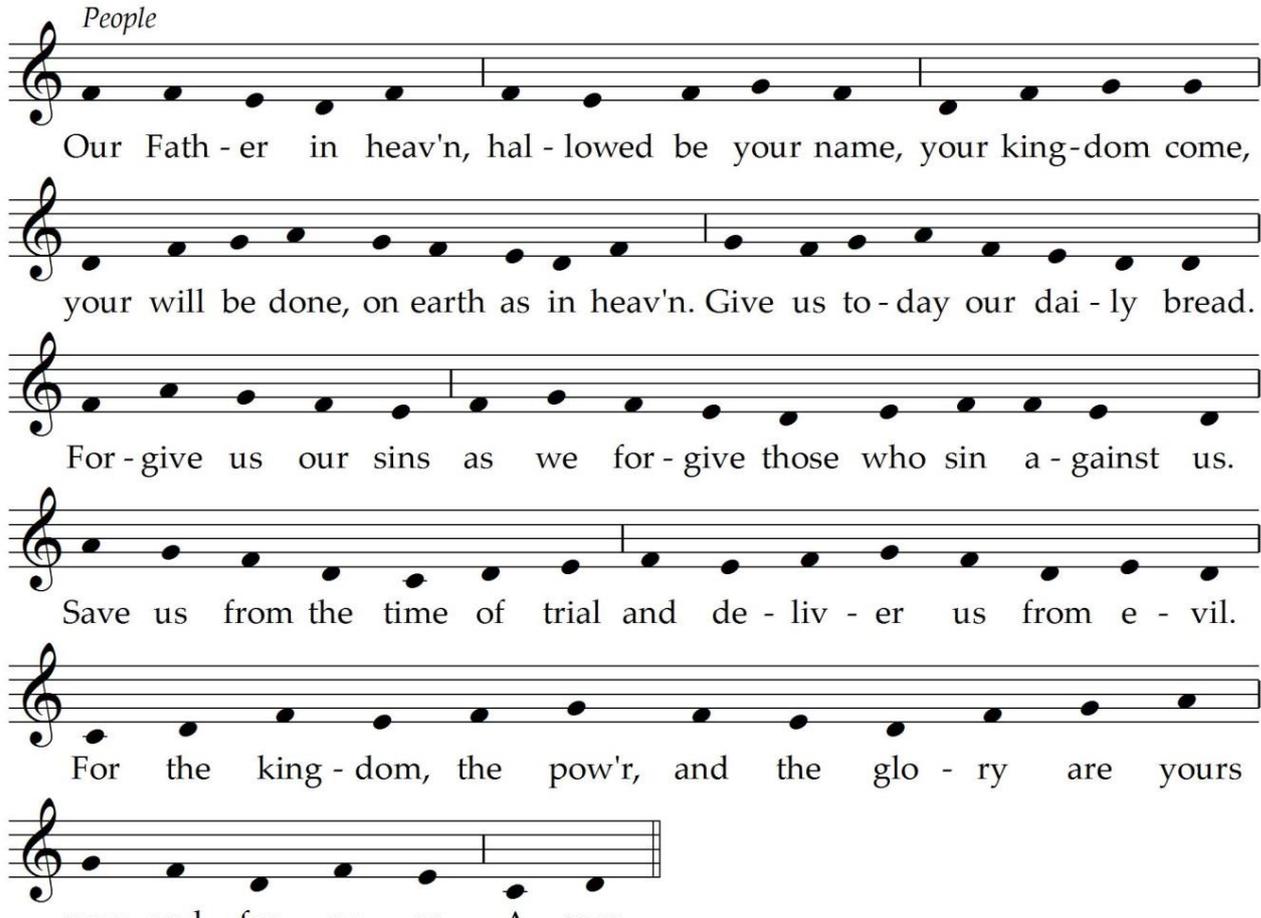
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the saviour of the world.**

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

All sing:  Bles-sing and hon-our and glo-ry and power are yours for ev - er and ev-er, A-men.

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

All sing: ^{People}



Our Fath - er in heav'n, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heav'n. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
Save us from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For the king - dom, the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours
now and for ev - er. A - men.

Unless a grain of wheat falls in the ground and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies it bears much fruit.

If we have died with him, we shall live with him.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Please kneel/sit as the Choir sings the Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. (x2)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered at the nave platform. Please follow the guidance of stewards and servers. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may like to come forward and receive a blessing (simply bow your head as a signal).

Gluten free bread is available; please ask for this from the priest giving communion.

During the administration of Holy Communion the Choir sings the motet:

Jouzas Naujalis (1869-1934) - *In monte Olivetti*

In monte Oliveti oravit ad patrem:

Pater si fieri potest transeat a me calix iste.

Spiritus quidem promptus est caro autem infirma.

Vigilate et orate, ut non intretis in tentationem.

On the Mount of Olives he prayed to his Father:

"Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me.

The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Watch and pray,

lest you enter into temptation.

Please kneel/sit for the prayers after Communion

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.

**Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go
thankfully and with courage in the power of your spirit.**

Please stand to sing the Post-Communion Hymn (A&M #161)

1. **Ride on, ride on in majesty!**
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry:
O Savior meek, pursue Your road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

2. **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.

3. **Ride on, ride on in majesty!**
The hosts of angels in the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see th'approaching Sacrifice.

4. **Ride on, ride on in majesty!**
The last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on His sapphire throne
awaits His own anointed Son.

5. **Ride on, ride on in majesty!**
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow Your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O Christ, Your power and reign.

Tune: WINCHESTER NEW, adapted from a chorale in *Musicalisches Hand-Buch*, Hamburg 1690
Words: Henry Hart Milman (1791-1868)

Please remain standing for the Blessing

May the cross carry you through whatever pain and suffering assails you. May you go forward with courage in the faith of Christ: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

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

You are invited to listen reflectively to the postlude:

JS Bach (1685-1750) – *Valet will ich dir geben* BWV 736

*Please refrain from conversation until the music is completed;
applause is not normally appropriate during an act of worship*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

A prayer as we seek a new Dean: Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

International	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Primate Abp Andrew Chan
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South Australia	
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<i>Diocese of Willochra</i>	Retired clergy and clergy widows/widowers
<i>Diocese of The Murray</i>	Registrar: Donna Jones, Office Staff: Jasmine Irvine

All preparing for confirmation on Easter Day

Immediate Prayer Bishop David McCall, Barry Black, Melanie Nelson

Year's Mind

28 th	Catherine Gilmore Black, Elma Mathews
29 th	Muriel Rosalie Barker, Edward Whitworth
30 th	Aleck Downer
31 st	Sister Gracemary CHN, Joan Merilyn Fopp
1 st	Bruce Goodes, Lois May Davey
2 nd	Helen Padman
3 rd	Peter Tam, Violet Hillier

A prayer for all affected by coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNITY NOTICES

New to the Cathedral? Connect with us using the green Connect card or online <http://www.stpeters-cathedral.org.au/connect-with-us/>

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold: 7pm on 1079Life. Tonight, Lynn's guest will be Cathedral member Gerald Lipman, discussing Ngutu College, Woodville North. From the school's mission statement: "Ngutu College will be a model for the seamless integration of Aboriginal knowledges and formal curriculum in experiential learning environments."

Cathedral Visiting Hours: The Cathedral is open for visiting and private prayer. Opening hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 11am-3pm, and Mondays 11am-1pm.

Communion in one kind to continue: Cathedral Council last week endorsed the current practice of receiving Holy Communion in one kind only - at least for the foreseeable (and uncertain) future.

Contacting the Nelsons: After Easter, Frank's Cathedral email address will no longer be active, so please replace it in your address books with the family address, fcnelson@gmail.com.

The Nelsons' new postal address will be 58 Hokianga Road, Dargaville, 0310 New Zealand.

Thank you: To Darian and the St Martin's in the Community team for their excellent catering, to Meredith, Pauline, and the hospitality team for their huge efforts behind the bar and beyond, to Venecia for her beautiful cake, and to everyone who helped make Frank & Christine's farewell lunch such a success. Thank you also for our largest Vestry Meeting attendance in recent history!

Palm Sunday to Easter - Journey through Holy Week 2021

On Good Friday and Easter Day, where marked, bookings are essential for all attendees. Make your bookings via the applicable links, or call the Cathedral Office on 8267 4551.

PALM SUNDAY

28 March

8.00am

Eucharist (BCP)

Blessing of Palm Crosses and reading of the Passion according to St Mark.

10.15am

Procession,

Blessing of Palms and Choral Eucharist

Gather at Pennington Gardens Water Feature for the Blessing of Palms and join the procession to the Cathedral. Choral Eucharist at 10.30am with dramatic reading of the Passion according to St Mark.

6.00pm

Choral Evensong

Preacher: Dean Frank

HOLY MONDAY

29 March

7.30am Eucharist

6.30pm Eucharist

HOLY TUESDAY

30 March

7.30am Eucharist

11.30am

Diocesan Chrism Eucharist

Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows and the Blessing of Oils

6:30pm

Eucharist

HOLY WEDNESDAY

31 March

7.30am Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

6.30pm

Tenebrae (Service of Shadows)

MAUNDY THURSDAY

1 April

7.30am Eucharist

6.30pm

Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Archbishop

GOOD FRIDAY

2 April

10.00am

Good Friday Liturgy

- Bookings essential at

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Preacher: The Archbishop

3.00pm

Meditation Concert

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The St Peter's Cathedral Choir sings The Fauré Requiem, with chamber orchestra, featuring soloists Jessica Dean (Soprano) and Pelham Andrews (Bass). Free entry with retiring collection taken for the Anglican Board of Mission.

EASTER DAY SERVICES

Sunday 4 April 2021

6.00am Easter Vigil

Lighting of the new fire, Confirmation and Holy Communion

Preacher: The Archbishop

8.00am Eucharist

Quiet traditional Easter Day Service with Hymns.

Preacher: Canon Jenny

10.00am Festal Choral Eucharist

with children's program

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A joyful celebration with glorious music of the resurrection of Christ.

Preacher: Canon Jenny

6.00pm Festal Choral Evensong

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Preacher: Dean Frank

The Dean's final service before departing for New Zealand.