



Sunday 13th April 2025 — Palm Sunday

WORSHIP TODAY

10:30am St Peter, Bromyard
Palm Sunday Worship

TODAY'S READINGS

Morning: Luke 19.28-40; Psalm 118.1-2, 19-29*;
Isaiah 50.4-9a; Psalm 31.9-16*;
Philippians 2.5-11; Luke 22.14 - 23.56

Evening: Psalm 69.1-20; Isaiah 5.1-7; Luke 20.9-19

COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY

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;
through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with You,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

REFLECTION: Palm Sunday

There were crowds to welcome Jesus.

A few were His followers. They recognised something special about Him, something about His teaching, something about the way He interacted with people. They'd stick with Him through thick and thin.

Some thought He was a good teacher. They liked the Sermon on the Mount, the lovely parables. It was 'nice' to hear someone talk about the meek, the widow, the orphan. They weren't too sure about His mixing with 'tax collectors and sinners' but He was good with children.

There were those for whom Jesus was the latest in a line of fashionable, charismatic leaders, the latest 'fad', here today, gone tomorrow. They'd lap up His teachings that made them feel 'good'.

And the odd one or two who were looking for a revolutionary leader. Jesus was the one who was going to overthrow the Romans, and if the odd dagger in the back helped, so much the better.

So they all cheered that first Palm Sunday; palm leaves, coats, hand-waving, the lot. 'Hosanna, hosanna!'

But Jesus didn't start the revolution; He caused too much trouble to be a 'fad'; some of the things He said were uncomfortable and not so 'nice'.

In the end, only His followers, His true disciples, stayed with Him.

*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.
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.*

Rev Phil

Wednesday 16th April 2025

10:00am St Peter, Bromyard Prayers

Sunday 20th April 2025—EASTER!

9:00am Brockhampton Chapel Easter Communion

10:30am St Peter, Bromyard Easter Communion

St Peter & St Paul, Stoke Lacy Easter Communion

READINGS – Easter*Morning:* Isaiah 65.17-end; Psalm 118.1-2,14-24*;
1 Corinthians 15.19-26 or Acts 10.34-43;
John 20.1-18 or Luke 24.1-12*Evening:* Isaiah 43.1-21; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11;
John 20.19-23; Psalm 105 or 66.1-11**HOLY WEEK**

Holy Week allows us time to focus on the triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the Last Supper and Gethsemane, and Good Friday and the Cross. It is through this journey that we are able to understand and celebrate the Easter joy more fully. We will be journeying through Holy Week with:

Sunday 13th April	10:30am St Peter, Bromyard	Palm Sunday Stations
Monday 14th April	7:00pm St Joseph, Bromyard	Ecumenical Stations
Tuesday 15th April	7:00pm St Peter & St Paul Stoke Lacy	Compline
Wednesday 16th April	6:00pm Bromyard Public Hall	Passion Play
	8:00pm St Peter, Bromyard	Compline
Thursday 17th April	7:00pm St Peter, Bromyard	Holy Communion & Stripping the Altar
Friday 18th April	10:00am St Peter, Bromyard	Good Friday Devotion
	11:00am Bromyard	Ecumenical Walk of Witness
	3:00pm St Peter & St Paul, Stoke Lacy	Hour at the Cross

EASTER WORSHIP

We will be celebrating the resurrection of our Lord on Sunday 20th April:

9:00am Brockhampton Chapel BCP Holy Communion for Easter Day

10:30am St Peter, Bromyard Holy Communion for Easter Day

St Peter & St Paul, Stoke Lacy Holy Communion for Easter Day

PARTY IN THE PARK

This years Party in the Park runs from Saturday 3rd to Sunday 4th May at Kempson Playing Fields. On Sunday 4th May we will be holding our worship at Party in the Park at 10:00am. This will be a great opportunity for us to engage with our community. The music group will be leading the worship from the main stage with well-known hymns and songs plus a few surprises!

There will be a Communion service at 6:30pm that evening for us to pray for all those who we met and had conversations with.

FOOD FOR ALL

Food for All is holding 'Taster Sessions' for potential volunteers on Saturday 26th April, 10:30am-12:30pm. If you'd be interested, just pop along!

BROMYARD FOODBANK*Items urgently needed this week:***Tinned meats, dried dog & cat food, tinned fruit, jam & spreads, pasta, tinned tomatoes, UHT milk, cereal, coffee, tinned big soup****PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Margaret Hamilton-Herbert, Elizabeth & Trevor Elliott, Alan Seabrook, Peter Cliff, Carole Hughes, Josie Robins, Zoe, Jennifer & Judy

Recently bereaved: the families of Netti Evans, Claire Hollis, Peder Nielson, Revd Michael Smith, TJ Biddle, Mary Watkins, Don Griffiths, Rachel 'Hartwright', Malcolm Sheail; Louise Spinks, Richard Orgee, Pauline Cooke

Wedding Couples: Henry Henshall & Sofi Buzzard; Ryan Skyrme & Jenna Arnold; Martyn Craddock & Amberley Schuck

Baptisms: Chester Davis, Mya Cox

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