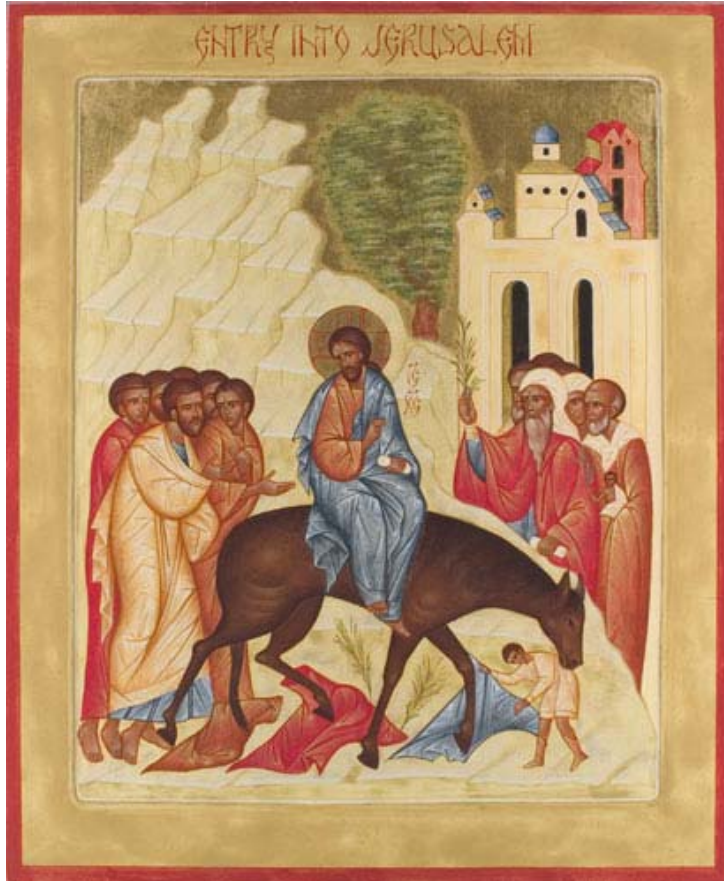


**Palm Sunday
of the Lord's Passion**



**Hosanna to the Son of David,
The King of Israel.**

Antiphon Liturgy of the Festival

**Welcome
As We Gather To Begin Our Celebration Of
Holy Week & Easter**

Today there are two services joined together.

The Palm Sunday component was once a distinct service celebrated only by the Church in Jerusalem. In the Anglican tradition we weave the palm branches (a symbol of life, hope, and victory) into crosses, perhaps as a way to recognize the connection between today's triumphal procession and Friday's journey on Calvary. Place your palms, whether woven into a cross or simple branch on your prayer table to mark this week.

The second part is the Passion section, and gets its name from the reading of Passion, the suffering of Christ. Each year on Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion we hear one of the three evangelist's version of Jesus' last days. Luke, whose account we hear today, wrote for a Gentile audience. He wanted to connect them to Jesus' Jewish roots, and so he makes reference to the 12 tribes of Israel (22:30), to the 12 disciples, who will become the new Israel.

Another characteristic of Luke's Passion is his attention to the women who followed Jesus as he carried his cross. He is also the only evangelist to make mention of the centurion who, after witnessing Jesus' death, exclaims, "This man was innocent beyond doubt".

The Roman centurion's recognition of Jesus as innocent is a turning point. Those who had watched from the sidelines, the bystanders, now experienced a deep sense of contrition and remorse in the face of injustice. The crucifixion was no longer a spectacle but an awakening of conscience.

As we live through this week, remember and pray for all the innocent who continue to suffer persecution for whatever reason. Add their pictures to your prayer table as reminders of where Christ continues to be crucified today.

Christ,
you so loved the world
that you set his face like flint toward it,
and you bared your back to those who beat you,
and surrendered your cheeks to those who plucked
your beard,

not
shielding yourself,
not answering from deep beneath the blindfold
even when they jeered and shouted, "Who struck
you?"
You emptied yourself
and humbled
yourself.

Christ, you are love.
Let us share
love
in
you.

Holy Week & Easter Times of Services

The Three Holy Days / Sacrum Triduum

Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm. Camp Hill
'The Watch' from the end of mass to Night Prayers at 10.30am

Good Friday

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 8.30am Norman Park
PowerPoint Stations of the Cross 3pm Camp Hill

The Great Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter

Saturday 6.00pm Camp Hill

Easter Day

8am Mass Camp Hill.



Notes on Service Times

The services of Holy Week and Easter are the most important services of the Christian year. One of minimal requirement for an Anglican is that *at least* Holy Communion must be received at Easter time. The services of this week are celebration of the saving events of Christ, the heart and centre of what we believe in – the life-giving death and resurrection of Jesus. This is what we are baptised into; this is what we celebrate on the altar each Sunday. For this reason it is appropriate that we gather as a single worshipping community on these days. For that reason, as in past years, there is only one celebration on each of these days. On Good Friday morning is the traditional Liturgy of the Passion. However, at 3pm, the hour when Christ died there is the extra devotion *Stations of the Cross*. This year the *Stations* will be in a PowerPoint presentation.

Three Days, One Service:

Maunder Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil

Sacrum Triduum – the Three Holy Days is the name given to this key moment in the Christian Year. Each of the three services is a phase, a movement, an act to celebrate the central act of our salvation. Maundy Thursday Evening begins this three-stage process as we gather to enter again into the Last Supper. This first stage leads into the second stage of Liturgy of Passion on Good Friday, yet the “*why*” of this service is was on the Thursday night. The same is true for the Great Easter Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter on Saturday evening – this third celebration makes sense if you have been to the two previous services.

The Early church evolved these three services as one great Baptismal Liturgy for candidates and as a renewal for those who were already baptised.

Of course to follow this sequence is a commitment of time and energy, and yet this what the forty days of Lent have been leading up to as we have listened to the Baptismal stories of Samaritan Women at the Well, the Man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. The sequence is to generate and enter into an experience of the Life-giving death of Jesus.

Entertainment Book 2008/2009:

The Parish announces the launch of the 2008/2009 Entertainment Book, valid from April 2008 to 1 June 2009.

This book contains hundreds of 2 for 1 vouchers or 25-50% discounts at fine dining restaurants, cafes, pubs, fast food outlets, tourist attractions, leisure/sports, hotel accommodation, etc. Purchase a book for just \$60 (inc. GST), and in addition, our Parish receives \$12 for every book sold.

The book will be available from Sunday, 30 March for a limited time. If anyone wishes to purchase a book, please give your money/cheque (made payable to Eastern Hills Anglicans) in an envelope marked “Entertainment Book” to either Robyn Casey, Damien or Lyndal Colbert. If anyone has any other queries, please contact Robyn Casey on 3395 1757, or Damien and Lyndal on 3398 6680. Anyone who wishes to order and pre-pay for their book now will receive an Advance order certificate of bonus offers.

Tupperware Party

The Fundraising Team is hosting a Tupperware Party to be held at Lesley Thurlow’s residence, 68 Rembrandt St, Carina on 7pm Friday, 28 March Supper will be served.

The demonstrator, Andrea Turner, will be making Choc Fudge Brownies in the new range of flexible form bake ware – and we get to eat the results! On the table at the back of the church, you will find invitations with all the details, an RSVP form, and for those who can’t make it on the night, there are some catalogues/order forms, which you can return to Robyn Casey or Janelle Read. Everyone is welcome – bring a friend.

The Easter Food Drive

Events & Promotions Team raised \$145, and would like say “thank you” to everyone who supported this fund raiser.

Lydia’s Baptism

Lydia Read, along with Alistair, Janelle and Claudia would like to thank all those who attended Lydia's Baptism **and for the generous donations for the Crèche & Sunday School, a total of \$335 was given.**

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Service Times

Sunday & Weekday Services

Sunday 8am Family Service.
9.30am Sung Eucharist

Wednesday 10am Mass at Camp Hill – now discontinued.

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**Fr Martyn & Catherine will take a holiday for one week after the
Easter Services.**

Fr Theo Woods will take the 8am Family Service and Fr John Campbell the
9.30am Sung Eucharist on the Sunday after Easter. For any Pastoral
emergencies **please contact Fr John 3398-1912, 0407 763 174**

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