# READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR PALM SUNDAY & HOLY WEEK



The Church continues to be alive and active, but our buildings must close.

## Palm Sunday, 5th April 2020

Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Philippians 2: 5-11

Matthew Passion Gospel:- Matthew <u>26</u>: 14 - <u>27</u>: 66 or Matthew <u>27</u>: 11-54

The Psalm for the day is Psalm 31 (Verses 9 - 16)

The Collect, the special prayer for Palm Sunday is:-

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.

Amen.

## **MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK:**

Isaiah 42: 1-9; John 12: 1-11

#### **TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK:**

Isaiah <u>49</u>: 1-7; John <u>12</u>: 20-36

## **WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK:**

Isaiah <u>50</u>: 4-9a; John <u>13</u>: 21-32

#### **MAUNDY THURSDAY:**

Exodus <u>12</u>: 1-4, 11-14; 1 Corinthians <u>11</u>: 23-26; John <u>13</u>: 1-17, 31b-35

#### **GOOD FRIDAY:**

John 18: 1 – 14; John 19: 1 – 16; John 19: 17 - 27; John 19: 28 – 37; John 19: 38 - 42

### A prayer for all those 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.