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Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

*Welcome to everyone gathered here today.
Please make yourself known to the greeters.*

Today's Readings

Mark 11:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Isaiah 50:4-9a;
Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 15:1-15

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Ship Harbour, Nova Scotia

- The Rev'd Canon Dennis Newhook, Priest-in-Charge
and Rev'd Canon Beverly Kean Newhook

Port Dufferin, Nova Scotia

- The Rev'd Michael Foley, Priest-in-Charge, and Janice

Provincial Prayer Care

Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Council of General Synod,
Anglican Church of Canada

Council of the North

Territory of the People – Archbishop Lynne McNaughton

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. Stephen's, Irishtown

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Ecumenical Holy Week Services – March 25 – March 28

12:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Church

Monday – Led by Rev. Shirley Cole

Tuesday – Led by Rev. Torrey Griffiths

Wednesday – Led by Father Frank Jay

Thursday – Led by Rev. Robert McCarthy & Ellen Locke

Wednesday, March 27 – 7 pm – St. Mark's Tenebrae

Thursday, March 28 – 7 pm – St. Thomas' HE Maundy Thursday

Friday, March 29 – 12 pm – St. Stephen's HE Good Friday

March 31-Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day (white)

Readings: Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24;

1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8

Readers: Sandra H, Grafton C; Tim O, Jim D; Savannah M, Marie M

Prayers of the People: Jim E, Doreen Cole, Doris M

Worship Times: 7 am – St. Thomas' HE

9 am – St. Mark's HE

11 am – St. Stephen's HE

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETINGS

~ Parish Council – Wednesday, April 17, 7 pm at St. Thomas'

~ St. Mark's Church Council – Monday, April 1, 7 pm

~ St. Stephen's Church Council – Thursday, April 4, 7 pm

~ St. Elizabeth's Church Council – Sunday, April 28

(following 7 pm service)

Clinton View Lodge gathering will be held on Friday, April 5, 2:15 pm
(please note change from Thursday to Friday for this month only).

APP (ACW) meeting - April 9th, 10:00 am at St. Thomas' church hall.
Plans for several functions will be discussed. Bring your lunch if you
can stay; we will make some tea. Call Doreen if you have any
questions (886-2207). All are welcome!

***Save the Date:**

June 1st, 2024 – St. Mark’s Church Yard Sale Fundraiser from 9 a.m. – noon. We would be pleased to accept donations such as toys, games, accessories, knick-knacks, books, puzzles, household items, giftware items, garden décor & supplies, tools, craft supplies, small furniture items, sporting equipment, plants, or any other treasures you might have hidden away. All items should be clean and in good condition. To schedule a donation pick up, please call Dianne (902-836-4978), Marlene (902-836-4303), or Alan (902-439-1627).

COLLECT (p 299)

Almighty and everliving God,
in tender love for all our human race
you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross.
May we follow the example of his great humility,
and share in the glory of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (p 300)

Gracious God,
the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son,
makes us pleasing in your sight.
Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice,
may we receive your love and mercy.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (p 300)

God our help and strength,
you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food.
Strengthen our faith,
that through the death and resurrection of your Son,
we may be led to salvation,
for he is Lord now and forever.

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MARK 11:1-11

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.’”

They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, some people standing there asked, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, “Hosanna!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!” Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

A READING FROM ISAIAH 50:4-9a

The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue,
to know the word that sustains the weary.

He wakens me morning by morning,
wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.

The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears;

I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away.

I offered my back to those who beat me,
my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard;

I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting.

Because the Sovereign LORD helps me,

I will not be disgraced.

Therefore have I set my face like flint,
and I know I will not be put to shame.

He who vindicates me is near.

Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other!

Who is my accuser? Let him confront me!

It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me.

Who will condemn me?

A READING FROM PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is 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 acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK 15:1-15

Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.

“Are you the king of the Jews?” asked Pilate.

“You have said so,” Jesus replied.

The chief priests accused him of many things. So again Pilate asked him, “Aren’t you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of.”

But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.

Now it was the custom at the festival to release a prisoner whom the people requested. A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising. The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.

“Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?” asked Pilate, knowing it was out of self-interest that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead.

“What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?” Pilate asked them.

“Crucify him!” they shouted.

“Why? What crime has he committed?” asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”

Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.