

# GARROWBYBENEFICE

## Palm Sunday



## Introduction

### A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,  
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.  
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.  
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.  
We pray for those with power over war or peace,  
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.  
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at-risk and in fear,  
that you would hold and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

**All**    **Amen.**

*Archbishop Justin Welby; Archbishop Stephen Cottrell*

### Hymn: My Jesus, my saviour

### Opening sentence for Palm Sunday

“Rejoice greatly O daughter of Sion. Shout aloud O daughter of Jerusalem  
Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and  
riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

*Zechariah 9 9*

### The Palm Gospel

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 19 28-40

**All**    **Glory to you O Lord**

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, “Why are you untying it?” just say this: “The Lord needs it.”’ So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, ‘Why are you untying the colt?’ They said, ‘The Lord needs it.’ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

This is the gospel of the Lord

**All Praise to you O Christ**

### **Blessing of the Palm Crosses**

God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die, let these palms be for us signs of his victory; and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**All Amen**

### ***Hymn: Ride on Ride on in Majesty***

### **Opening Prayer**

Humble and riding on a donkey we greet you. Acclaimed by crowds and carolled by children we cheer you. Moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power we salute you Christ our Lord. For you are giving the beast of burden a new dignity. You are giving majesty a new face. You are giving those who long for redemption a new song to sing. With them, with heart and voice, we shout

**All Hosanna, blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord**

### **Confession and Absolution**

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you: we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing

**All Have mercy on us son of David, saviour of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own.**

May the saviour of us all have mercy upon you, forgive what you have done and who you have been. May He bring you home again, and impart within you a new song of joy and celebration.

**All Amen**

## Relection: Part 1

**Luke 23 13-24** (*is read*)

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, 'You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.' Then they all shouted out together, 'Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!' (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, 'Crucify, crucify him!' A third time he said to them, 'Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.' But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted.

## Relection: Part 2

***Hymn: Meekness and Majesty***

### Intercessions

The response to "Let us pray to the Lord" is "Lord have mercy" and the prayers conclude with

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

**All Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
The power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## **Closing words and blessing**

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart. May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and the exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace. May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer with pain, rejection, starvation, and war so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain into joy. And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world so that you can do what others claim cannot be done.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you, upon your homes and all whom you love, now and always.

**All    Amen**

***Hymn: All glory laud and honour***