

Sunday 9th April 2017 – Palm Sunday



Welcome to you today if your heart is singing and welcome if your heart is breaking. Welcome if you're anxious about tomorrow and welcome if you don't have a care in the world. Welcome if your conscience is troubling you and welcome if you're barely able to contain your experience of forgiveness. Welcome if you leapt out of bed this morning and welcome if you had to drag yourself out. Welcome if this is your first visit, and welcome if you have barely missed a single Sunday since the turn of the century. Whether you are here as a visitor or a pilgrim, a seeker or a doubter, a saint or a sinner, a friend or a stranger: **you are welcome!**

Our service comes from the Book of Common Prayer (**Morning Prayer P101 and Holy Communion P201**). You will also find the relevant parts and supplementary songs on this sheet also. If you need further assistance please feel free to ask one of our 'regulars' and they will be only too happy to help you. Toilets and Baby Changing Facilities are beside the church. We hope you enjoy worshipping here with us this morning.

Welcome/Introduction (Book of Common Prayer – P101)

Hymn CH217: All Glory Laud And Honour

Confession/Absolution (Book of Common Prayer – P102)

Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault; by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

EuroShop Talk

Song: Who's The King Of The Jungle?

Who's the **KING** of the **JUNGLE**?

Who's the **KING** of the **SEA**?

Who's the **KING** of the **UNIVERSE**?

And Who's the **KING** of **ME**?

I tell you **J. E. S. U. S. Y E S!!!**

He is the **KING** of **ME**

He is the **KING** of the **UNIVERSE** The **JUNGLE** and the **SEA**.

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word (Book of Common Prayer – P103)

O Lord, open our lips: **and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**

O God, make speed to save us: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Praise the Lord: **The Lord's name be praised.**

Reading: Matthew 21:1-11

¹ As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, ‘Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.’ ⁴ This took place to fulfil what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵ ‘Say to Daughter Zion, “See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”’ ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, ‘Hosanna to the Son of David!’ ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’ ‘Hosanna in the highest heaven!’ ¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, ‘Who is this?’ ¹¹ **The crowds answered, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”**

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Hymn CH223: Hosanna, Hosanna

Sermon

Hymn CH580: I Want To Walk With Jesus Christ

The Apostles' Creed (Book of Common Prayer – P112)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord. who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Book of Common Prayer – P112)

The Lord be with you: **and also with you.**

Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.

The Lord’s Prayer (Book of Common Prayer – P113)

Our Father, who art in heaven: hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who 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.

Show us your mercy, O Lord: **and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers: **and grant our government wisdom.**

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness: **and let your servants shout for joy.**

O Lord, save your people: **and bless those whom you have chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord: **and let your glory be over all the earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us: **and renew us by your Holy Spirit.**

Collect of the Day: 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 our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

At the end of each prayer: Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

At the end of the prayers: Merciful Father **accept these prayers for the sake of you Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Grace (Book of Common Prayer – P116)

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing and Offertory Hymn CH238: Ride On Ride On In Majesty

Closing Diocesan 20:20 Prayer

Heavenly Father, we want to catch your vision for these dioceses and for our parish. But to catch your vision we first need to listen to you. Too often we leave you out. Forgive us. Help us to catch a sense of where your Spirit is leading. Give us courage to love and serve you. Give us boldness to proclaim Christ faithfully and to build your kingdom. Lord, come to us; our door is open. **Amen.**

Blessing And Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Weekly Announcements

Services April 2017

Palm Sunday 9th April: Messy Church 3pm to 5pm in Billis Hall

Maundy Thursday 13th April 2017: Billis 8pm

Good Friday 14th April 2017: Virginia 8pm

Saturday 15th April 2017: Munterconnaught Easter Service 8pm (Holy Communion)

Easter Sunday 16th April 2017: Killinkere 9.45am, Virginia 10.45am, Billis 12pm (Holy Communion)

Sunday 23rd April 2017: Killinkere 9.45am, Virginia 10.45am, Billis 12pm (All Morning Prayer)

Sunday 30th April 2017: Killinkere 9.45am, Virginia 10.45am, Billis 12pm (All Morning Prayer)

Announcements: Diocesan/Community

Weight Watchers: Virginia Class every Friday at 9.30am in Virginia Parish Hall. Contact Linda 086 336 7193.

Virginia Ramblers' walks continue on Sundays at 10.00am and Wednesdays at 7.00pm. Registration takes place 10 minutes before the walks. There will be no walks on Easter Sunday. Cavan Walking Festival takes place April 28 - May 5 with a 5k Heritage Walk in Deerpark Forest on Monday May 1, leaving Show Centre at 7.00 pm

Hospital Visits

If you or someone you know is in hospital and you would like a visit please let the Rector know.

Announcements: Parish General

Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you know someone who might like a shawl (e.g. ill or bereaved) contact Ivy Stewart (049) 8545036 or Vida McCauley (049) 8548465.

Bowling Club: Monday's in Billis Hall at 8pm.

Girls' Friendly Society: Finished Until September.

Gigglers & Wrigglers (Baby & Toddler Group): Meets in Virginia Hall each Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10am to 12pm.

Lenten Bible Study: Over the Wednesdays in Lent (**April 12**) we will meet from 8pm to 9pm in the Rectory.

Killinkere Car Boot Sale: Killinkere church are doing car boot sale this month for church repair funds... Anyone wishing to donate anything: baking/unwanted items etc... can contact Jenny Shekleton or Gillian Kellett. Thank you in advance.

Car Boot Sale: Saturday 15th April 2017. Cars €10, Cars and Trailers/Vans €15. Gates open 8am.

Whist Drives: 18th April in Virginia Hall from 9pm.

JOY (Just Older Youth): Our next monthly Joy meeting takes place on **Wednesday 3rd May 2017** in Virginia Parish Hall from **2.30pm to 4pm**. A time to catch up, chat, enjoy a cuppa...

DATE OF CONFIRMATION: This year's confirmation service will be in **Virginia Church on Sunday 26th November 2017 at 10.45am**. Date of confirmation classes to be confirmed.

General Easter Vestry Dates

Tuesday 25th April 2017: Killinkere 8pm.

Wednesday 26th April 2017: Munterconnaught 8pm.

Thursday 27th April 2017: Virginia 8pm.

Thursday 4th May 2017: Billis 8pm.

Monthly Prayer Focus

Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa, The Anglican Church of South America, Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan & Sudan, The Anglican Church of Tanzania. **Church of Ireland Diocese: Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh Diocese:** Bishop Ferran Glenfield **KEA Children's and Youth Co-Ordinators:** Hannah O'Neill and Marion Edwards. **Arva Group:** Canon Hazel Hicks (Arva, Carrigallen, Columbkille (Aughnaccliffe) and Gowna) **Calry:** Canon Patrick Bamber. **Other Churches:** Mary Immaculate - Virginia, Maghera, Clanaphilip, Killinkere, Munterconnaught. Belassis. Redeemed Church of God, Word of Life. **Parish/Townlands:** Killyduff, Kilmore, Kilnagun, Knockaraheen, Knocktemple, Knocknagartan, Knocknaveagh, Lateaster, Lattoo.

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