



ST FAITH'S
GREAT CROSBY

Palm Sunday
Sunday 24th March 2024

Hymns

328 All glory, laud and honour

61 Ride on ride on

Be still for the presence of the Lord. – Hymns and songs of worship. 23

Love is his word – Hymns and songs of worship. 169

Notices

Holy Week services: Maundy Thursday, 12 noon Sung Mass & Sermon. Good Friday, 1:30pm – The Liturgy of Good Friday.

St Faith's Great Crosby can be found on the 'A Church near you' website – this will provide up to date information on upcoming events and services.

100 Club if you would like to join our 100 Club, please email david.jones@stfaithsgc.org.uk. Membership for the 100 Club has declined, please consider renewing your membership and giving your support. The more numbers in, the more we win!

Congratulations to Thursday lunchtime Kind Hearts Café, for securing their 5-star hygiene rating. Well done!

Be a Godparent and support a child at the Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage! Our collection box will be on the coffee table at the back of church from now until Pentecost. This year's Pilgrimage is called **Tell out my soul: Singing God's Praises**. Thank you for your support.

The funeral for Duncan Haughton will take place on Maundy Thursday, 11.00am at St. Faith's followed at Thornton Crematorium at 12 noon.

This Week's Services

This Sunday
Palm Sunday

11:00am, Parish Eucharist
Celebrant: Rev. Bill Matthews

Thursday 28th March
Maundy Thursday

12:00pm, Fr. Dennis Smith

Sunday 31st March
Easter Day

11:00am, Parish Eucharist
Celebrant: Fr. Dennis Smith
*Readings: Isaiah 25 v 6-9, I Corinthians 15 v1-11,
Mark 16 v1-8*

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Please keep in your prayers

The Diocese: Holy Trinity Wavertree, Wavertree School, St Bridget & St Thomas Wavertree, St Mary Wavertree, Parish of Wigan Central (Saint Mary Ince-in-Makerfield, Saint Catharine Wigan, Saint Andrew Wigan, Christ Church & Saint Anne Ince-in-Makerfield), St Catharine's School, Ince School, St. Andrew's School, Parish of Wigan East (All Saints Hindley, Saint Peter Hindley, Saint John the Evangelist Hindley Green, Saint Nathaniel Platt Bridge, Saint John the Evangelist Abram & Saint James and Saint Elizabeth Bickershaw), St Peter's School, St Mary's School, St. Philip's School, All Saints' School, St. John's School, Parish of Wigan North East (Saint David Haigh and Aspull, Saint John the Baptist New Springs, Saint Stephen Whelley, Saint Elizabeth Aspull), Canon Sharples School, Haigh and Aspull School.

Parish: Myers Road East, Myers Road West, Crosby Road North, Belvidere Road, College Avenue, College Road.

The World: For peace in the Ukraine, Palestine and Israel. For those affected by fires, floods and earthquakes. For emergency workers working in disaster areas. For refugees, asylum seekers and agencies that help them. For good stewardship of the earth and its resources.

The Church: The unity of all Christians everywhere. Archbishops Justin and Stephen, Bishop John and Bishop Beverley, Archdeacon Pete, Ven Pete

Spiers, our Archdeacon and acting Area Dean, Churches in the South Sefton Deanery, and local ecumenical partners.

Those who are sick: Joyce Sharpe, Joan McKortel, Fr Mike Finlay, John Crooke, Stephen Seneviratne, Tracy Riley, Sheila Roberts, Amy Hewitt, Eunice Little, Alistair Byron, Frank Dunphy, Peter Smith, Carl Lee, Fr. Dennis Bury, Beckie Loan, Peggy Mattison, Fr. David Emery, Fr. Michael Brinkworth, Audrey Dawson, Sid Ward.

Recently departed: Duncan Haughton.

Those who are to be remembered at this time: Isabel Nixon (2011), Her Majesty Queen Mary, Lorna Houghton, May Morris, George Harrison, Cyril Seneviratne, Mary Humphries, Helen Carmichael, John James Clarke, Tom Hennessey, Eirwen Griffiths, Louisa Ford, Edward Dalton, William Henry Newby, Sarah Emily Conalty, Howard Foy (Priest), John Meredith Buckmaster (Priest), Margaret Bickers, George Stanley Goodwin, Arthur Smith, Harold Woodley.

The Collect

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.

First Reading, Isaiah 50.4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens— awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Psalm 119.19-end

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever. Let Israel now proclaim, 'His mercy endures for ever.' Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Come, O Lord, and save us we pray. Come, Lord, send us now prosperity. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; we bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God; he has given us light; link the pilgrims with cords right to the horns of the altar. You are my God and I will thank you; you are my God and I will exalt you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Second Reading, Philippians 2.5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Proclaiming the Passion of Mark - (Please read aloud the sections for the congregation).

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.