



**ANGLICAN CHAPLAINCY OF SAINT ANDREW,  
COSTA DEL SOL EAST, SPAIN**



**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Palm Sunday**

**The Palm Gospel — Matthew 21:1-11**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

***All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.***

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

***All: Glory to you, O Lord.***

<sup>1</sup>When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, “The Lord needs them.” And he will send them immediately. <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>‘Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’ <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd<sup>[b]</sup> spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

‘Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!’

<sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, ‘Who is this?’ <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, ‘This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

***All: Praise to you, O Christ.***

## **Collect**

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

***All: Amen.***

## **Old Testament Reading — Isaiah 50:4-9**

<sup>4</sup>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 wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards.

<sup>6</sup>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.

<sup>7</sup>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;

<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

<sup>9</sup>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.

This is the word of the Lord.

***All: Thanks be to God.***

## **Psalm 118**

<sup>1</sup>O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

<sup>19</sup>Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

<sup>21</sup>I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>This is the LORD's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

<sup>25</sup>Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

<sup>26</sup>Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.

<sup>27</sup>The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

<sup>28</sup>You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

<sup>29</sup>O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.

### **New Testament Reading — Philippians 2:5-11**

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

***All: Thanks be to God.***

## **Post Communion Prayer**

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.

***All: Amen.***

## **Scriptures for Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026 Easter Day**

Matthew 28:1-10

Acts 10:34-43

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

Colossians 3:1-4

Matthew 26:14-27:66

## **Charity of the Month during Lent and Easter**

### **2026 Bishop's Appeal: Vale Silves Community Centre, Portugal**

This is a community project addressing the needs of families in this district of the Algarve in Portugal. It has a long connection to St Vincent's Anglican Chaplaincy. Contributions from the Appeal would directly help to:

- Sustain the elderly home-care programme
- Ensure meals for children and continued food bank provision
- Strengthen outreach to isolated and housebound elderly people
- Provide flexibility to respond to urgent and unforeseen needs.

Full details can be found on the St Vincent's Anglican Chaplaincy website:

<https://www.stvincentsalgarve.org/events-and-more.html>