

**The Parishes of Adbaston, Gnosall, High Offley & Knightley,
Moreton and Norbury
Sunday 29th March. (Palm Sunday)**

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.

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. **Amen.**

Psalm 118 1-2; 19-end

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say,

‘His steadfast love endures for ever.’

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord’s doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of
the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.
The Lord is God,
and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures for ever.

Matthew 21: 1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 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. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, “The Lord needs them.” And he will send them immediately.’ This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

‘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.’

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 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!’

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

In our year’s mind (St Lawrence, Gnosall) we

remember: Sheila Veronica Smith, Harold Hollows, Mary Clayton, Eileen Elizabeth Haycock, Grace Lancaster, Violet May Skolik, Wendy Tomes, Thomas Albert Howell, Anne Flower, Robert Edwin Winfield, Joan Sheila Marguerite Hampson.

Notices

This Week's Services- 29th March- Palm Sunday

Gnosall 10:30am Benefice Communion
Vespers 6:30pm

Next Week's Services- 5th April

Easter Day- Gnosall 8am Holy Communion
10:30am Morning Worship
High Offley 9:30am Holy Communion
Adbaston 9:30am Holy Communion
Moreton 11am Holy Communion
Norbury 11am Holy Communion

Easter Services

Please join us at any of these Easter Services.
2nd April Maundy Thursday 7:30pm Knightley
Benefice Holy Communion.
Good Friday 10am Gnosall Worship for all ages
2pm Walk of Witness
Norbury 12noon Reflections by the Cross.
Easter Saturday 8:30pm Gnosall Easter Vigil.

Experience Easter

On Thursday we welcomed 150 children from St Lawrence CE Primary school to church to explore the events of Holy Week and Easter. A team of volunteers guided the children around six stations, inviting them to learn about the events that took place and reflect on their meaning. The stations were Future Hopes (the story of Palm Sunday), Servant King (Jesus washes the disciples' feet), Remember Me (the Last Supper), Alone (the Garden of Gethsemane), the Cross (Symbol of Hope) and Resurrection (New life). A wonderful time was had by all and Rev Rachael would like to express her sincere thanks to the volunteers who made it all possible. The stations will be in church over the next few days if you would like to call in and see them.

House of Bread

House of Bread will be hosting a concert with Eccleshall Singers at Gnosall Methodist Church at 7:30pm on 25th April. Tickets £10. Available from: Tony Gee: 01785-824868 or 07805-433852
William Morris: 01785-332413, Nancy Rae: 01785-822808

Gnosall Singers Spring Concert

Saturday 18th April 7:30pm Grosvenor Centre.
Tickets £10. Contact Pat Tweed 01785822523 or Pat Simcock 01952 971010

Church flowers for Easter.

We will decorate the Church from 9am to 11am on Saturday 4th April. Please bring your own flowers and greenery. Everyone welcome. Coffee and Chat will be taking place in the vestry too (10.30 - 12.30) Donations for Easter Lilies may be given to Helen.

Afternoon Tea

Friends of St Lawrence Church are holding an afternoon tea and Easter bonnet Competition on Saturday 11th April in Church at 3pm. Tickets £10 from Sandy Redfern 822440 or Helen Air 822347.

Quiz Night

Saturday 11th April, Norbury Village Hall 7.15 - for 7.30pm start. Admission -£6.00 (children £3.00) Includes light refreshments. Please bring own drinks and glasses. *Proceeds to St. Peter's Church, Norbury*

Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity Eccleshall

An artist has painted some life size depictions of the stations of the cross that are currently on display in Eccleshall church. Rev Rachael is planning on visiting the art installation on Tuesday morning 31st leaving at 10.30, and wonders if anyone might like to join her? She expects to spend no more than an hour in church and then have coffee before returning to Gnosall. Get in touch if you would like to join the visit.

Contact Details for the Church Office.

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