*The alternative Collect for Maundy Thursday*

God our Father, Your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end and drank the cup prepared for Him; may we who share His table watch with Him through the night of suffering and be faithful. Amen.

*Service schedule for this Passiontide to Easter:*

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| **Sunday**  **10th April**  **PALM SUNDAY** | 10.30am Holy Communion  Reading: Matthew 21: 1 - 13  Leader/Celebrant: ES Preacher: DOB  Theme: Hosanna to Jesus the King  6pm Prayer Gathering/Prayer for Healing ES/CB |
| **MAUNDY THURSDAY**  **14th April** | 7pm  Reflective Communion  DOB/ES  “Jesus said to His disciples, ‘Sit here while I pray’ “  (Mark 14: 32)  “’My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death,’ He said to them, ‘Stay here and keep watch’.”  (Mark 14: 34) |
| **GOOD FRIDAY**  **15th April** | 11am – 12 noon Reflections before the Cross  Please feel free to come for the whole time or for part of the hour.  6pm – 7pm Reflections before the Cross |
| **Sunday**  **17th April**  **EASTER DAY** | 10.30am Holy Communion  Reading: Luke 24: 1 – 12  Leader/Celebrant: ES Preacher: DOB  Theme: Christ is risen !  6pm Easter Prayer Gathering DOB/SH |

**Advance notice: the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (AGM) will take place on the evening of Monday 25th April. Please see the notices near the doors of the church and the election papers in the church lounge.**

Our morning and evening readings for this Holy Week:

The Psalms are the seasonal ones for this week

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|  | **Morning Readings** | **Evening Readings** |
| Monday 11th April  *Monday of Holy Week* | Psalm 41;  Lamentations 1: 1 – 12a;  Luke 22: 1 – 23 | Psalm 25;  Lamentations 2: 8 – 19;  Colossians 1: 18 - 23 |
| Tuesday 12th April  *Tuesday of Holy Week* | Psalm 27;  Lamentations 3: 1 – 18;  Luke 22: (24 – 38)  and 39 – 53 | Psalm 55: 13 – 24;  Lamentations 3: 40 – 51;  Galatians 6: 11 - end |
| Wednesday 13th April  *Wednesday of Holy Week* | Psalm 102 (or 102: 1- 18);  Jeremiah 11: 18 – 20;  Luke 22: 54 – end | Psalm 88;  Isaiah 63: 1 – 9;  Revelation 14: 18 – 15: 4 |
| Thursday 14th April  **MAUNDY THURSDAY** | Psalms 42, 43;  Leviticus 16: 2 – 24;  Luke 23: 1 – 25 | Psalm 39;  Exodus 11;  Ephesians 2: 11 - 18 |
| Friday 15th April  **GOOD FRIDAY** | Psalm 69;  Genesis 22: 1 – 18;  A part of John 18 and 19 may be read | Psalms 130, 143;  Lamentations 5: 15 – end;  John 19: 38 – end or  Colossians 1: 18 - 23 |
| Saturday 16th April  ***Easter Eve*** | Psalm 142;  Hosea 6: 1 – 6;  John 2: 18 – 22 | Psalm 116;  Job 19: 21 – 27;  1 John 5: 5 - 12 |

**(the LORD said…) Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place. (2 Chron, 7: 15)**