## THE PARISH OF LONG POINT BAY



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# Sunday April 10th 2022 The Sunday of the Passion Palm Sunday



# **Opening**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

# **Collect**

Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross.

May we follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

# .Readings

Isaiah 50.4-9a Psalm 31.9-16

Refrain Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Philippians 2.5–11 Luke 22.14—23.56 or Luke 23.1–49

#### Reflection from the Rev Jack Cox

Approximately a week before Jesus' arrest and execution, he has a 'procession' into Jerusalem where the 'crowd' (a small group of supporters) proclaims, "Hosanna! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord."

This is a week before Passover.

Passover was one of, if not the major celebration of the Jewish calendar. It was a time when every Jew who was able would go to Jerusalem to remember and celebrate their liberation from the slavery and oppression in Egypt. Remember, that, at this point in Israel's history, they were ruled by Rome. So this is a very sensitive time for Rome and Roman leaders.

It was also a time when Jerusalem swelled from a city of one or two thousand to a city of one to two hundred thousand. Passover was a potential flash point!

As a result, the governor of Jerusalem (Pilate at this point) would ride to the garrison at Caesarea (about 6 miles away) to bring back reinforcements. Pilate would bring back roughly 8,000 soldiers (mounted, archers, and foot soldiers) to ensure no disturbance got out of hand.

As these reinforcements approached Jerusalem, you could see the dust for miles, hear (and feel under foot) the tramping of the foot soldiers and archers, the hooves of the cavalry, see the sun reflecting of the polished armor of the soldiers. Clear message: This is not somebody you wanted to mess with!

Contrast that with the 'procession' down the hillside of this 'Jewish Messiah' - a local Jewish layman and a handful of his dirt poor followers.

As the old song asks: "Which side are you on, boys? Which side are you on?"

The choice you made had very real, tangible consequences!

Would you chose short term 'stability' or would you risk that for what this Jewish itinerant preacher was offering – the 'kingdom of God', where nobody had too much, and nobody had too little. And what would you be willing to put on the line to support that 'dream'?

Now I want to press this question in a way that may make some of us (me especially) uncomfortable.

In our personal lifestyle – where are the poor and the marginalized? Or, to come at it from another angle, politically: when we cast our vote: do we chose the party that supports our personal needs or do we consider the needs of the marginalized? Which parade do we want to be in – the one led by that itinerant Jewish layman or the political leader with the clout at the head of the cavalry who we know will 'get things done' – who will 'keep the peace'?

When the question is 'theory' and religion, the answer may come quickly and easily. When the question requires taking real sides, putting your money where your mouth is, the answer probably comes less quickly, less easily. But the real question is precisely which real parade/procession will you/I join? Or to press the choice even further, in the next election, how will you vote (where will that itinerant Jewish layman be in your choice?)

Palm Sunday really does matter - still today.

### **Sunday of Passion:**

## Prayers of the People Palm Sunday Year C 2022 - From Anne Gagan

Brothers and Sisters, are we not wholly reliant on God's tender love and mercy? So let us cry out to our Lord, saying "Look upon us in mercy *and with compassion remember us*".

Have mercy on your Church, O Lord, for the times we have denied you. We have not been humble as you are humble. We are often quick to speak and slow to love. We pray especially for OUR Church leaders Todd our Bishop, Anne our Metropolitan, Linda our Primate, Mark National Indigenous Archbishop, Marinez Bishop of Amazonia, AD Rick Jones, Rev. Enrique Martinez, and Rev. Jack Cox, help them to teach us. *Pause* 

Look upon us in mercy; and with compassion remember us.

Have mercy on those who hold authority in the nations of the world, O Lord, especially those who are threatened by your message of love and mercy. Forgive us for our silence and complicity.

Pause

Look upon us in mercy; and with compassion remember us.

Have mercy on those of us who are called to be stewards of your creation, O Lord. We have exploited and mistreated your masterpiece.

Help us to see what we have done and fix the things that are doing great harm.

Teach us to love what you have called good.

Pause

Look upon us in mercy; and with compassion remember us.

Have mercy on our enemies, O Lord, and on those who persecute us. Teach us the love of Jesus, who from the cross prayed, "Father, forgive them." *Pause* 

Look upon us in mercy;

and with compassion remember us.

We pray especially for Todd our Bishop, Anne our Metropolitan, Linda our Primate, Mark National Indigenous Archbishop, Marinez Bishop of Amazonia, AD Rick Jones, Rev Enrique Martinez, and Rev Jack Cox.

Have mercy on all those who are sick and suffering, O Lord

Remembering all those on our prayer lists--- Betty F., Don G., Franz and Elaine Z., Steven K., Rebecca M., Trista P., Bill MC., Dwayne M. and Andrea B., Susan A., Olivia H., Karen M., Delores B., Dale F, Rose G, Julie, Carol M., George F., Carol H., Bud W. Juanita K. Mary B., Sabrina S, Colin C. his father Michael, Pat A. and all their families, adding anyone you know needs your prayers.

Remember as well our shut-ins June, Shirley & John, Julie, Sheila, Sylvia, Anna and Jack B. Strengthen the afflicted. Comfort and care for those wasted with grief.

Make your face shine upon your servants.

Pause

Look upon us in mercy;

and with compassion remember us.

Have mercy, O Lord, on all those who practice their faith in the Parish of St. James, Paris and **Rev. Jason Postma** for the Holy Week of April 10, 2022 as we continue to pray for our Parish and the health of Rev. Enrique Martinez and his family and the people of The Parish of Long Point Bay. *Pause* 

Look upon us in mercy;

and with compassion remember us.

Merciful Lord, you became obedient to death, even death upon a cross. Even as you shared our mortality, mercifully grant us to share in your resurrection.

Pause

Look upon us in mercy;

and with compassion remember us.

These are our prayers. Receive them in your mercy.

And grant us, O Lord, your peace---

Your peace that passes our human understanding.

**AMEN** 

It is important that we keep the prayer list and shut-in list up to date. If you know of any changes to these lists, can you please email Anne at <a href="mailto:lpbparishsecretary@gmail.com">lpbparishsecretary@gmail.com</a> or Enrique at <a href="mailto:enrique6921@gmail.com">enrique6921@gmail.com</a>

If you know of <u>anyone</u> that has asked you to pray for them let us know and we will add to the list



#### **Prayer of Confession**

Search us O God and know our hearts today Try us and know our anxious thoughts, see if there are any hurtful ways in us and lead us in your loving and life-giving Way

#### **Words of Assurance**

God knows our secret fears, ignorance & selfish ways. God forgives, forgive yourself, forgive others Amen

#### **Closing Prayer**

God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you today, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord, Amen

#### **Doxology**

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please click on the link to watch this week's Parish Video

https://youtu.be/4SX9yu1tCJY

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Today The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday St. John's Port Rowan 10 a.m.

Thursday April 14 Maundy Thursday St. John's Woodhouse 7 p.m.

Friday April 15 Good Friday, St. John's Port Rowan 10:00 a.m.

Saturday April 16 Easter Vigil on Saturday Memorial, Port Ryerse 7 p.m.

Sunday April 17 The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day St John's Port Rowan 10 a.m. and St John's Woodhouse 11:30 a.m.

## Bi-Weekly newspaper

Any good movies you've seen or books you have read. A delicious recipe you want to us all to enjoy. Do you have memories you want to share? Please send them to Rev. Enrique or myself and we can include in the newspaper.

Any birthdays/anniversaries/special occasions in April– Let me know for the newspaper. We can celebrate I don't need your year of birth, just the month and date. Of course, if you have a special age birthday and want to celebrate it just let me know. If you are interested in this special occasion section, please send me details.





#### PLEASE ENSURE THAT THIS MESSAGE IS PASSED ALONG TO THE WOMEN IN YOUR PARISH A.S.A.P.

Please register now for the 2022 Annual Meeting of the women of the Diocese of Huron (ACW) which will take place, on Zoom, on Saturday, April 30th.

\*\*\*Registration is easy: just send an email to <a href="mailto:patriciaallison@diohuron.org">patriciaallison@diohuron.org</a>

Copies of the agenda, reports, motions and nominations will be sent out soon, and advance voting will begin.

We encourage those who have the necessary facilities to host gatherings in their parishes or homes, so that as many women as possible can join in.

The Rev. Patricia Allison patriciaallison@diohuron.org 519-666-0394

#### Sing along to this mornings Hymns

#### Hymn Texts - Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

#### 181 - All Glory, Laud, and Honour

All glory, laud, and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
   Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one?
   All glory, laud, and honour to thee, Redeemer, King,
   To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
- 2. The company of angels are praising thee on high, And we with all creation in chorus make reply.

  All glory...
- 3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; Our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present. All glory...
- 4. To thee before thy Passion they sang their hymns of praise; To thee now high exalted our melody we raise.

  All glory...
- 5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King? All glory...

#### 184 – My Song Is Love Unknown

- My song is love unknown, my Saviour's love to me;
   Love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be.
   O who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
- 2. He came from his blest throne salvation to bestow; But all made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know: But 0 my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend!
- 3. Sometimes they strew his way, and his sweet praises sing, Resounding all the day hosannas to their King; Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
- 4. Why, what has my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet injuries! Yet they at these themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.
- 5. They rise and needs will have my dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, the Prince of life they slay. Yet cheerful he to suffering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.
- 6. Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine; Never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine! This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

At this extraordinary time if you wish a telephone visit, please call Enrique. If you have any other announcements or news contact Anne Halls at the contacts below.

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