

**Palm Sunday
Sixth Sunday of Lent
25th March 2018**

Welcome to our service today when we remember the celebrations as Jesus entered Jerusalem, riding on a donkey. Palm Sunday is half way through Passiontide, where we focus our gaze on the events of Holy Week and the awful symbol of the Cross.

As we move through Holy Week there are a number of services throughout the group, marking each step of the way.

Here in St Mary's we have our Lent Group on Wednesday; A communion service on Maundy Thursday recalls to us Jesus' Last Supper with his friends in the upper room. On Good Friday, we will be hosting footsore pilgrims who have walked over from St John's, with tea followed by a Tenebrae service. On Easter Sunday we have a Dawn sunrise service with communion at 6am, with a festal communion service at 9.30am.

I shall look forward to greeting you all at those services.

Easter Monday will be when we can have a lie-in!

On a more personal note, thank you everyone for your love and support throughout the last week and for all the messages and cards expressing sympathy for the loss of my father. His funeral was Friday and thank you again to anyone who came and supported me, including choir members and David Woodgates, who deputised for Leo at the organ.

May God's blessing be with you and all you love this Eastertide.

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TODAY: PALM SUNDAY 25 MARCH 2018

St Nicholas' Chapel, Pilley: 8.00am Holy Communion BCP
St Mary's South Baddesley: 9.30am Palm Sunday Family
Communion with Donkey
St John's Boldre: 10.30am Holy Communion, Palm Sunday
Procession with donkeys + Children's Club
St John's Boldre: 6.30pm Choral Evensong

For Prayer This Week

For all who are recovering from illness, accidents and operations. **Rest in Peace:** Peter Mennie, Michael Elliott

Activities This Week

Mon 26 Mar - 8.00am Holy Communion St Nicholas' Chapel
Tue 27 Mar - 8.00am Holy Communion St Nicholas' Chapel
Tue 27 Mar - 10.30am Vintage Fitness. Seated exercise to music
at St Nicholas' Pilley & refreshment
Wed 28 Mar - 10.30am Communion St Nicholas' Pilley + coffee
Thu 29 Mar - 10.30am Vintage Fitness. As on Tuesdays

EASTER DAY BENEFICE SERVICES 1 APRIL 2018

St Mary's South Baddesley: 6.00am Dawn Service and HC
St Nicholas' Chapel Pilley: 8.00am Holy Communion BCP
St Mary's South Baddesley: 9.30pm Easter Service Festal
Communion
St John's Boldre: 10.30am Holy Communion & Children's Club

EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday 29 March
7.00pm Holy Communion

Good Friday 30 March
5.00pm Tenebrae
(preceded by tea for Good Friday Pilgrims)

Easter Day 1 April
6.00am Paschal Light & Sunrise Service
9.30am Easter Festal Service
(no Evensong this week)

BENEFICE GOOD FRIDAY JOURNEY

A PRAYER WALK ON GOOD FRIDAY 30 MARCH

10.00am *Family Service* at St Saviour's Brockenhurst
10.00am *Family Service* at St Luke's Sway
1.00pm *Lunch* at St John's Boldre
2.00pm *An Hour at the Cross* at St John's Boldre
4.00pm *Tea* at South Baddesley
5.00pm *Tenebrae Service* at St Mary's South Baddesley

**BI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION WEEK
18—24 June 2018**

We want your ideas. Please talk to Pat or Andy

Sat 2 June 2018
St Marys Garden Fete 2—5pm at Pylewell Park