

Christ and St John with St Luke, Isle of Dogs **28th March 2010 – Palm Sunday**

10.50a.m Procession. Meet at Island Gardens DLR

11.00a.m Parish Mass at Christ Church. The president will be Fr Tom Pyke.

6.30p.m Meditation on the Passion at Christ Church. The service will be led by Fr Tom Keighley.

Opening Hymn: 509 All glory, laud and honour

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.

First Reading: Isaiah 50.4-9a

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. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. 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. 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; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Psalm: Psalm 31.9-16

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am
in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow,
my soul and body also.

For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my
affliction,
and my bones are consumed. **R**

I have become a reproach to all my
enemies,
and even to my neighbours,
an object of dread to my acquaintances;
when they see me in the street
they flee from me. **R**

I am forgotten like one who is dead, out of mind;
I have become like a broken vessel.
For I hear the whispering of the crowd;
fear is on every side;
they scheme together against me,
and plot to take my life. **R**

But my trust is in you, O LORD.
I have said, "You are my God.
My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies
and from those who persecute me.
Make your face to shine upon your servant;
and save me for your mercy's sake."
R



Second Reading: Philippians 2.5-11

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

The Passion of Christ

Evangelist The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Evangelist When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them,

Jesus I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

Evangelist Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said,

Jesus Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.

Evangelist Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

Jesus This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Evangelist And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying,

Jesus This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!

Evangelist Then they began to ask one another, which one of them it could be who would do this.

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them,

Jesus The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Evangelist Jesus said to Simon Peter;

Jesus Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.

Peter Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!

Jesus I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.

When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?

Disciples No, not a thing.

Jesus But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, 'And he was counted among the lawless'; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled."

Disciples Lord, look, here are two swords.

Jesus It is enough.

Evangelist He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them,

Jesus Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

Evangelist Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed,

Jesus Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.

Evangelist Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.

When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them,

Jesus Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.

Evangelist While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him,

Jesus Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?

Evangelist When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

Disciples Lord, should we strike with the sword?

Evangelist Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,

Jesus No more of this!

Evangelist And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,

Jesus Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!

Evangelist Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said,

Servant-girl This man also was with him.

Evangelist But he denied it, saying,

Peter Woman, I do not know him.

Evangelist A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,

Bystander / You also are one of them.

Peter Man, I am not!

Evangelist Then about an hour later still another kept insisting,

Bystander 2 Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.

Peter Man, I do not know what you are talking about!

Evangelist At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

Men Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?

Evangelist They kept heaping many other insults on him.

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,

Priests If you are the Messiah, tell us."

Jesus If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.

Priests Are you, then, the Son of God?

Jesus You say that I am.

Priests What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!

Evangelist Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him

Priests We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.

Pilate Are you the king of the Jews?

Jesus You say so.

Pilate (To the Priests) I find no basis for an accusation against this man.

Priests (urgently) He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.

Evangelist When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

Pilate You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.

Evangelist Then they all shouted out together,

Priests Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!"

Evangelist This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder. Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

Priests Crucify, crucify him!

Evangelist A third time he said to them,

Pilate Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.

Evangelist But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

Jesus Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Evangelist Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

Jesus Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.

Evangelist And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him

Priests He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!

Evangelist The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine

Soldiers If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!

Evangelist There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him

Robber 1 Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!

Evangelist But the other rebuked him

Robber 2 Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

Evangelist It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,

Jesus Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

Evangelist Having said this, he breathed his last.

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

Centurion Certainly this man was innocent.

Evangelist And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandments.

Evangelist This is the Passion of the Lord

No response is made.

Offertory Hymn: 511 Ride on, ride on in majesty

Choir Anthem: Holy, Holy, Holy (Franz Schubert)

Communion Hymn: 375 I heard the voice of Jesus say

Closing Hymn: 86 My Song is love unknown

This Week's Prayer List

A Prayer for Stewardship

'Almighty God, you have made us members of Christ and of his Church and have taught us through him that it is more blessed to give than receive: make us truly thankful for all your goodness; help to deepen our commitment to you as stewards of our time, talents and money; and guide us in all things to know and do your will, for the honour and glory of your name.'

Please pray for the Sick

Samantha McTasney, Frances Keighley, David Rainbow, Lucille Williams, Sarah & Michael Parsons, Larry Thompson, Iris Shepard, Jerry McArthur, Michelle Hadley, Wayne Jacobs, Bernice Herbert, Joyce Thomas, Ishia Osborne, Veren Sagadeven, James Pope, Fred and Joan Tyrrell, Lyle Dennen

Please pray for those who have died recently: Hilary Oliver, Kerry Hadley, Fred Beckwith

In Memoriam for March: Herbert Barnes, William Barnes, June Barwick, Emmie Brazier, Rosina Cartwright, Maud Duffy, David Hodder, Ernest Ford, Andre Gamble, Emma Howlett, Christina Jarvis, Ellen Jarvis, Rosina Johnson, Elizabeth Mask, Jessie Milne, Violet O'Keefe, Robert Pettman, Daisy Richardson, Douglas Ross, Charles Sams, John Strachan, Jessie Upton

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

5.30a.m Dawn Mass at Christ Church. The clergy team will preside.

Following the Dawn Mass, there will be the Parish Easter Breakfast.

9.30a.m Mass at St Luke's Church. The president will be Fr Tom Keighley and the preacher will be Fr Tom Pyke.

11.00a.m Festival Mass at Christ Church. The president and preacher will be Fr Tom Pyke.

Please pray for all the lay persons who will help with these services:

John Edwards, Mary Mansfield, Hilary Elliott, Val Lashmar, James Hughesdon, Bill Chesshyre, Buky Rufai, Joan Rock, Mandy Lashmar, Colin Farey, Mary Martinson, Laureen Katiyo, Genevieve St George, Jane Buhari, Pamela Hulme & the Choir.

We are publishing the details of the weekly offering in the Service Sheet to raise awareness of the Parish's poor financial situation. In 2009, the parish's costs exceeded our income by £27,590 leaving us with just £19,549 in reserves. In this Parish we promote the General Synod challenge to our congregations to contribute a minimum of 5% of their after-tax income to and through the parish. The Cost of Ministry figure is included as it is our major item of expenditure each week and we look to meet this with the offering from the congregations.

January to February

Free-will Offering = £6,662.50

Loose Plate Offering = £1,134.52

Total = £7,797.02

Cost of Ministry = £8,420.00

Last Week's Offering

Free-will Offering = £739.45

Loose Plate Offering = £186.82

Total = £926.27

Cost of Ministry = £1,010.25

Notices

This Week

Monday	10.30a.m	School Mass	St Luke's School
	7.00p.m	Stations of the Cross	Christ Church
Tuesday	7.00p.m	Stations of the Cross	Christ Church
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Wednesday	7.00p.m	Stations of the Cross	Christ Church
Maundy	7.30p.m	Mass of the Last Supper	St Luke's Church
Thursday	7.30p.m	Mass of the Last Supper	Christ Church
	9.00p.m	Vigil	St John's Chapel
Good	8.00a.m	Morning Prayers	Christ Church
Friday	9.30a.m	Good Friday Liturgy	St Luke's Church
	Noon	Three Hours Devotions	Christ Church

- It is with great sadness that we record the passing of Hilary Oliver, Bishop Stephen's wife. Hilary lost her long battle with cancer on 25th February and passed away at St Joseph's Hospice. Our thoughts and prayers are with Bishop Stephen and the family at this time.
 - Following today's Mass, Kitty and Mary will be taking a retiring collection for flowers to decorate our churches on Easter Day. Please give generously.
 - Maundy Thursday Vigils. The sign-up lists are for the Maundy Thursday vigils at both Christ Church and St Luke's Church are now in place. We encourage people to sign-up for an hour or more through the night.
 - Easter Breakfast. We will be holding our Easter Breakfast in the Parish Room on Easter Sunday following the Dawn Mass. Tickets are priced at £10 (concessions for seniors and families) and are available from Stan.
 - PCC Officers. At Wednesday's PCC Meeting, the following were elected as PCC Officers;
 - Lay Vice-Chair—Hilary Elliott
 - PCC Secretary—James Browne
 - Electoral Roll Officer—Carol Stanley
 - Children's Advocate—Linda KissiStan has agreed to continue as Honorary Treasurer.
- We thank all these people for giving their time and talents to support the work of the Parish.

- **Prayer Booklet.** We are proud to publish our Parish Prayer Booklet today and thank David Longbottom, the Worship Committee and the Wednesday Bible Study Group for their work on this. You may take the booklet home with you to help in your daily prayer life. We would welcome all contributions towards the production costs and have placed a basket on the Welcome Table for this purpose. The recommended contribution is £1. If you are a tax-payer, please place your gift in a Gift-Aid Envelope.
- **Summer Fete.** There will be a meeting on 12th April at 7.30p.m at the Vicarage for anyone who is interested in helping with the planning of this year's fete. Good planning now ensures that the fete goes with a swing.
- **Disused Mobile Phones.** The Social Justice & Environment Group is collecting disused mobile phones to raise money for the Parish. Leave your old mobile phones in the collection box in the Parish Office or give it to a SJ&E group member (Andrew Warner, Caz Hughesdon, Suzanne Kenner).
- **Freedom Pass Scheme.** The scheme provides for free travel for over 60's and disabled people in London and, by April, all passes will need to be renewed. If you have a current pass and don't how to renew it, please speak to Suzanne Kenner at Christ Church. Suzanne works for London Councils, the schemes operator.
- **Our Weekly Notice Sheets** are now available for download from our own web-site. If you are not able to attend on a Sunday, you can keep up to date with the notices by visiting www.parishiod.org.uk and follow the 'Notice Sheet' link.

As you leave, please respect our churches and show consideration to the people who keep them tidy by replacing the kneelers as you found them and taking this Notice Sheet with you. Thank You.



We have an induction loop fitted at Christ Church, please use 'T' position on your hearing aid.

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