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### Cathedral Mass Times this Week

Monday to Wednesday

8.00am (live-streamed)

Thursday

10.00am Chrism Mass (live-streamed)



## Holy Week

### Easter Triduum Ceremonies (live-streamed)

Thursday 9th April

7.00pm – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday 10th April

10.00am – Stations of the Cross

3.00pm – Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday 11th April

7.00pm – The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Sunday 12th April

8.00am & 10.00am

**SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION of the LORD**

**St Patrick's,  
Fortitude Valley**

*Suspended until further notice*

**Villa Maria, Spring Hill**

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In the light of the resurrection, their former lives fall away. Nothing is the same. Their lives become simple and complicated all in the same moment. For them, the only thing that matters is the Resurrected Christ but they will spend the rest of their lives struggling to working out what all this means: what it means for them; what it means for those who will come to believe; what it means for the whole of the world. The simplicity of this ground of their faith is matched by the complexity of a new reality.

So all these centuries later, we find ourselves at exactly the same point. In these days, we feel the force of the call to re-discover the simplicity of life and faith. We also know that the future will be complicated and we will spend the rest of our lives grappling with the on-going consequences of this moment. In our perplexity, we stand in good company. From the very first, Palm Sunday has always packs a punch.

Fr. Anthony



THE CATHEDRAL OF  
**ST. STEPHEN**

*Embracing Villa Maria and  
St Patrick's Fortitude Valley*

# WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

**6 - 11 APRIL 2020**  
**HOLY WEEK**  
**YEAR A**

*The community of the Cathedral of St. Stephen acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands.*

Dear friends,

The commemoration of Palm Sunday would normally announce the approaching intensity of the Easter Triduum, but this year Palm Sunday is lost in the blur of another form of intensity. Gradually, much of our lives have been scaled back and our world feels as though it is teetering on the brink of disaster in one way or another. If the virus doesn't come after us, economic chaos will. Probably both.

Suddenly, a world that seemed so predictable and indestructible now seems uncertain and vulnerable. How appropriate, then, that we sense this reality on Palm Sunday because this is exactly what this moment is all about. Jesus' ministry had offered so much promise. He proclaimed a Kingdom of abundance and mercy, he filled people with hope and transformed their lives by casting aside that which burdened and limited them. In his company, people became free.

Just like the rhythms of the modern world, the ancient world too had its cycles of boom and bust. The promise of Jesus crumbles away under the weight of rejection and the Cross; that which began in hope ends in a loud cry followed by silence on Palm Sunday. As things crashed around them, the friends and companions of Jesus asked exactly the same questions we find ourselves asking this day: How did it all go so wrong, so quickly? Will anything ever be the same again?

The answer for those first disciples and for us is the same: No, things will never be the same again. The lasting impacts of our current social upheaval will take a generation or more to work through, and at this point, we cannot say exactly what all the consequences are.

Palm Sunday ends with the securing of the tomb. We know that this is not a full stop and we also know that the disciples will never be the same again.

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**MONDAY 6 APRIL 2020**

*Monday of Holy Week*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Contend, O Lord, with my contenders;  
fight those who fight me. Take up your  
buckler and shield; arise in my defence,  
Lord, my mighty help.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 42:1-7

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 26:1-3, 13-14

The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
before whom shall I shrink?

When evil-doers draw near  
to devour my flesh,  
it is they, my enemies and foes,  
who stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me  
my heart would not fear.  
Though war break out against me  
even then would I trust.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus  
Christ!

Let us greet our king; he alone showed  
mercy for our sins.

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Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 12:1-11

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Do not hide your face from me in the  
day of my distress. Turn your ear  
towards me; on the day when I call,  
speedily answer me.

**TUESDAY 7 APRIL 2020**

*Tuesday of Holy Week*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Do not leave me to the will of my foes, O  
Lord, for false witnesses rise up against  
me and they breathe out violence.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 49:1-6

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 70:1-6, 15, 17

In you, O Lord, I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.  
In your justice rescue me, free me:  
pay heed to me and save me.

Be a rock where I can take refuge,  
a mighty stronghold to save me;  
for you are my rock, my stronghold.  
Free me from the hand of the wicked.

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope,  
my trust, O Lord, since my youth.  
On you I have leaned from my birth,  
from my mother's womb you have been  
my help.

My lips will tell of your justice  
and day by day of your help  
(though I can never tell it all).  
O God, you have taught me from my  
youth and I proclaim your wonders still.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
Hail to our king, obedient to his Father; he  
went to his crucifixion like a gentle lamb.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**GOSPEL:** John 13:21-33, 36-38

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

God did not spare his own Son, but  
handed him over for us all.

**WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL 2020**

*Wednesday of Holy Week*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

At the name of Jesus, every knee should  
bend of those in heaven and on the earth  
and under the earth, for the Lord became  
obedient to death, death on a cross:  
therefore Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory  
of God the Father.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 50:4-9

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Ps 68:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34

It is for you that I suffer taunts,  
that shame covers my face,  
that I have become a stranger to my  
brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons.  
I burn with zeal for your house  
and taunts against you fall on me.

Taunts have broken my heart;  
I have reached the end of my strength.  
I looked in vain for compassion, for  
consolers; not one could I find.  
For food they gave me poison; in my thirst  
they gave me vinegar to drink.

I will praise God's name with a song;  
I will glorify him with thanksgiving.  
The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy and does  
not spurn his servants in their chains.

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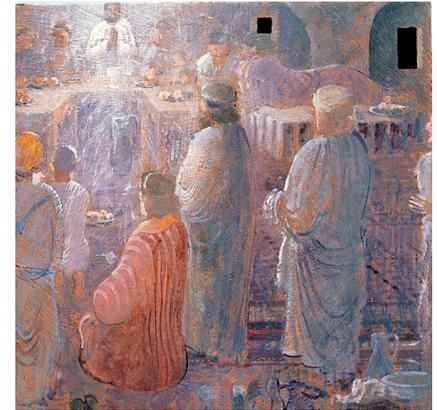
**GOSPEL:** Matthew 26:14-25

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The Son of Man did not come to be served  
but to serve and to give his life as a ransom  
for many.

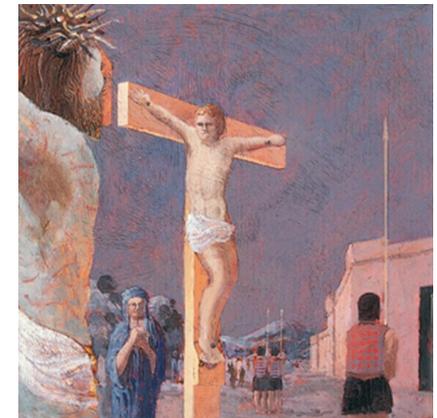
**THURSDAY 9 APRIL 2020**

*Thursday of Holy Week*



**FRIDAY 10 APRIL 2020**

*Good Friday – Friday of the Passion of the Lord*



**SATURDAY 11 APRIL 2020**

*Holy Saturday*

