

Collect for Today

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.
Amen

Readings for This Week (may vary)

Liturgy of the Palms:

Luke 19.28-40
(Psalm 118.1-2,19-29*)

Liturgy of the Passion:

Isaiah 50.4-9a
Psalm 31.9-16*
Philippians 2.5-11
Luke 22.14 - 23.56 *or*
Luke 23.1-49

Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Acts 10.34-43 *or*
Isaiah 65.17-25
(Psalm 118.1-2,14-24*)
1 Corinthians 15.19-26
or Acts 10.34-43
John 20.1-18 *or*
Luke 24.1-12

Verse for the Week:

‘you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever
ridden’.
Luke 19:30

Prayer & Reading Diary Bratton Clovelly

Monday

Read: Acts 10.34-43
Prayer: Church groups and committees, PCC
members, Church Wardens and officers.

Tuesday

Read: Isaiah 65.17-25
Prayer: The young people in the village and those
in education, especially at Boasley Cross School and
Okehampton College; and all those at university and
college.

Wednesday

Read: 1 Corinthians 15.19-26
Prayer: The older people in the community and
those who have recently moved into the village.

Thursday

Read: Acts 10.34-43
Prayer: The sick at home or in hospital and anyone
suffering either mentally or physically in the
community.

Friday

Read: John 20.1-18
Prayer: Methodist chapels and our continuing co-
operation with them and all those who minister in our
churches throughout the team.

Saturday

Read: Luke 24.1-12
Prayer: The Parish Council, Parish Hall Committee
and all other organisations.

Notices:



* Thank you all those who supported the **Lent Lunches**; just short of £600 was raised for Christian Aid.

* Prayer during the Interregnum

Every Monday morning at 10.30am 8 people, at the moment, are praying specifically that the right person is appointed as Incumbent. The joy is you can pray sitting on your sofa, out for a walk, wherever you are at that time for as long or as short a time as you wish. The point is you have a group of people all praying at the same time for the same thing. If you would like to join with us, please do. If you could drop me an email mwebberm@yahoo.co.uk, or phone 07791798983 saying that is what you are doing that would be encouraging. Many thanks. Maurie

* **Okehampton All Saint's Parish Church** is open every Tuesday morning between 10am and 12 noon for prayer. This is an opportunity to meet and pray with others, or just to sit quietly. Refreshments will be available.

* **St James Chapel**, in the centre of Okehampton, is open all day, every day. **Every Thursday:** 10am Communion at St James, Okehampton.

Dates for your diary :



* **Sticklepath Quiz Night: Saturday 12th April**
at Sticklepath Village Hall. 7pm for a 7:30pm start.
£10 per team of 4. Raffle available – bring your own
refreshments. Please book your team in with Niki
Wooldridge on 01837 840876. All proceeds to St
Mary's Church, Sticklepath

Holy Week Services:

Monday 14th April

7pm – St James, Okehampton: Compline

Tuesday 15th April

7pm – Hatherleigh: Relic or Red Herring

7pm – St James, Okehampton: Compline

Wednesday 16th April

7pm – St James, Okehampton: Compline

7pm – Jacobstowe: Holy Week Reflective Service

Thursday 17th April: Maundy Thursday

10am – St James, Okehampton: Holy Communion

7pm – Meeth: Passover Meal

7pm – All Saints, Okehampton: Holy Communion

Friday 18th April: Good Friday

10am - CTiO Service at St James

12 noon – Hatherleigh: Open Air Service at The Sq.

2 pm – All Saints: Hour at the Cross

2pm – Exbourne: Hour at the Cross

3pm – Northlew: Hour at the Cross

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Church Services:



Sunday 13th April

(6th Sunday of Lent/Palm Sunday)

9:30am

Jacobstowe - Morning Prayer

Northlew - Holy Communion

Bratton Clovelly – Holy Communion

Belstone – Holy Communion

Inwardleigh - Morning Prayer

10:30am

Bridestowe – Joint Palm Sunday Service

11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion

Hatherleigh – Morning Service

Lydford – Holy Communion

Exbourne – Morning Prayer

Meeth - Morning Prayer

Sunday 20th April

(Easter Sunday)

07:00am

Okehampton - Sunrise Service & Breakfast

09:30am

Bratton Clovelly - Morning Prayer

Bridestowe - Easter Service

Northlew - Easter Service

Jacobstowe - Holy Communion

Belstone – Easter Service

Inwardleigh – Easter Service

11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion

Hatherleigh - Holy Communion

Lydford - Morning Prayer

Exbourne – Holy Communion by Ext.

Meeth - Easter Service

6:00pm

Okehampton - Easter Celebration at Fairplace

Grapevine

Palm Sunday

13th April 2025



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Ever feel like a tied-up donkey, all forgotten? It's a funny little bit of Palm Sunday, this. In one way it fulfils the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9 'See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey'. The crowd certainly recognised this and celebrated.

But I wonder, for Jesus, yes, he will have been delighted in his adoration, but he may also have been saddened to know that he was loved for who they thought he was, and not indeed who he truly was. Jesus was, and is, not the war mongering rescuer who delights in conquering others for us such as the Romans, but the seeker and saviour of the outcast and lowly (Jew or Roman), and the stone on whom the proud get shipwrecked (Religious included!)

Do we celebrate palm Sunday because we rejoice in the crowds, or the true humility and care of Christ on a Donkey amidst the thick of it? Prophecy tells us something of who God is. This donkey reminds us that no-one, no-thing, is overlooked and beyond redemption and delight in the hands of God. Even you.

Don't follow the crowds in life, follow Christ.

Jonathan Cook