

### A Prayer of St Augustine

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give Your angels and saints charge over those who sleep.

Tend Your sick ones, O Lord Christ.

Rest Your weary ones.

Bless Your dying ones.

Soothe Your suffering ones.

Pity Your afflicted ones.

Shield Your joyous ones, and all for Your love's sake.

### In need of Help?

If you need help, a listening ear, or have a prayer request contact clergy on the numbers below or leave a message on the Benefice Office phone, 01635 41249, where messages will be picked up.

*The Clergy team will be praying for people on our church databases each day.*

### Prayer Flowers for the Easter Garden

An Easter garden has been created in a parishioner's garden and 'prayer flowers' can be added during this coming week. If you would like to have a name, situation or thanksgiving added to a flower (max 6 words) please leave a message on 01635 41249 or send a text message to 07432585566. Revd Becky will offer the prayers on Easter Day.

### West Berkshire Community Hub

The Community Hub is a vital resource for both volunteers and those who need help at this time.  
info.westberks.gov.uk/coronavirus-communityhub  
Telephone – 01635 503579

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Newbury, St George & St John

**Palm Sunday**  
**5<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

We may not be able to gather together, but we encourage everyone to share in the journey with Christ through this Holy Week. Perhaps we will discover new depths of meaning this year as we follow Jesus to the cross and find ourselves moved as never before to trust and love.

#### Online Benefice Service, Sunday at 10am

Please join us for our Benefice Communion Service, streamed through the internet.

The service will be available on You Tube here:

<http://tiny.cc/stg-stj>

Or go to the new benefice website and click the link [www.stgeorge-stjohn-newbury.org.uk](http://www.stgeorge-stjohn-newbury.org.uk)

Have your DIY Palm Cross ready for the online service, and some bread if you would find it helpful to participate in this way.

'Virtual Coffee and Chat' at 11am. Details on Website.

#### For your Prayers

##### We pray for those who are unwell:

Sarah Carter, John Fidler, Sam Oats, Adrienne Engert, Margaret Stewart, Steve Athawes, Clair Smith, Tracey Cole, Bob Judge, Michael Perkin, Julie Pound, Sue.

**Rest in peace:** Brian Durnford, Jean Heaton, Robert Peel, Peter Cox

**This week in the Newbury Deanery prayer cycle** we pray for North Newbury; Revd Will Hunter-Smart, Revd Joy Mawdsley, Revd Janice Macdonald and their team.

**Monday** – for all who have birthdays or anniversaries this month.

**Tuesday** – for charities working out how to function and meet needs in this crisis.

**Wednesday** – for children and young people, their families and support networks.

**Maundy Thursday** – that we may love one another as Christ has loved us.

**Good Friday** – for the dying and the grieving.

**Holy Saturday** – for all who are alone.

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**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

**The Collect**

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love you,  
that we may be found beside you  
on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory.

**First Reading. Psalm 118:1-2,19-end**

**A Song of Victory**

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever!  
Let Israel say,  
“His steadfast love endures forever.”

Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks to the Lord.  
This is the gate of the Lord;  
the righteous shall enter through it.  
I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.  
The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.  
This is the Lord’s doing;  
it is marvellous in our eyes.  
This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.  
Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!  
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God,  
and he has given us light.  
Bind the festal procession with branches,  
up to the horns of the altar.  
You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;  
you are my God, I will extol you.  
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.

**Matthew 21:1-11**

**Jesus’ Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

“Tell the daughter of Zion, Look,  
your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

**Post Communion**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,  
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:  
give us the mind to follow you  
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,  
to the glory of God the Father.



Easter Services for Holy Week		
<b>Monday Evening Prayer</b>	Zoom	7.30pm
<b>Tuesday Evening Prayer</b>	Zoom	7.30pm (Zoom details will be shared on website)
<b>Wednesday</b>		
All Age service	YouTube/Web	7.30pm
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	YouTube/Web	7.30pm
Simple Eucharist		
<b>Good Friday</b>	Zoom	10.00am
Easter Garden		
<b>Stations of the Cross</b>	YouTube/Web	2.30pm
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	YouTube/Web	10.00am
Benefice Eucharist		

YouTube services are available from the appointed day/time but can be accessed afterwards at any time.

**Benefice Website – stgeorge-stjohn-newbury.org.uk**  
The website is being updated on a regular basis. It also keeps the **Online Services** – so you can catch-up if you missed them.  
Updates also given on the two **Facebook** pages for St George’s and St John’s