

Contemporary 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. **Amen**

Traditional Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
who of thy tender love towards the world
hast sent thy 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 thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

LITURGY OF THE PASSION

Gospel Reading Mark 15.1-39

¹As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate.
²Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.'
³Then the chief priests accused him of many things.
⁴Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.'
⁵But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.
⁶Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked.
⁷Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection.
⁸So the crowd

came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom.
⁹Then he answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?'
¹⁰For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over.
¹¹But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead.
¹²Pilate spoke to them again, 'Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?'
¹³They shouted back, 'Crucify him!'
¹⁴Pilate asked them, 'Why, what evil has he done?' But they shouted all the more, 'Crucify him!'
¹⁵So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

¹⁶Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort.
¹⁷And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him.
¹⁸And they began saluting him, 'Hail, King of the Jews!'
¹⁹They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him.
²⁰After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

²¹They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.
²²Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull).
²³And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it.
²⁴And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

²⁵It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him.
²⁶The inscription of the charge against him read, 'The King of the Jews.'
²⁷And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left.
²⁹Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, 'Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days,
³⁰save yourself, and come down from the cross!'
³¹In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

'He saved others; he cannot save himself.'
³²Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.'
Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

³³When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.
³⁴At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?'
³⁵When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'Listen, he is calling for Elijah.'
³⁶And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.'
³⁷Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.
³⁸And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.
³⁹Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!'

LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Gospel Reading Mark 11.1-11

¹When Jesus and his disciples were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, ²'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it.
³If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately."
⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?'
⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it.
⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.
⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields.
⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,
'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of

our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

To have someone prayed for or remembered please contact the Benefice Office.

A new list will start the first Sunday each month.

ST JOHN

Those who are ill and their carers:

Nancy Hood, Ann Kinson, Allan Law,
Tammy Leighton,

Those who have died

Geoffrey Woodhouse

Post Communion Contemporary

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.

Amen

Post Communion Traditional

Lord Jesus Christ,
who didst humble thyself by taking the
form of a servant
and wast obedient even unto the death of
the cross for our salvation:
grant us the mind to follow thee
and to proclaim thee as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

The United Benefice of St Michael on Greenhill,
Lichfield with St John, Wall
SERVICE DETAILS
25th March – PALM SUNDAY

ST MICHAEL

8.00 am Holy Communion
President: Rev. Jeyan Anketell

10:00am Holy Communion
President: Rev. Linda Collins
Deacon: Trevor James

Hymns	Processional	160
	Gradual	423
	Offertory	147
	Communion	144
	Recessional	161

Intercessions:
Make us strong:
To do your will in all things.

6.00 pm Evensong
Minister: Lesley Allen
Preacher: Phil Clayton

Hymns: TBC

ST JOHN

10:00am Holy Communion
President: The Venerable Simon Baker

Hymns	Processional	11
	Gradual	32
	Offertory	346
	Recessional	435

ST MICHAEL and ST MARY

Those being Baptised

Louisa Revell

Those getting married

Christopher Judson & Monica Arnold,
Martin Dann & Hannah Taylor

Those newly in need of prayer

Mary Bailey, Sadie Hannon, Alison Knight, Hazel Ruffle, Gloria Spencer, Alison Cox-Toplis, Brian Vaughan, John Wragg

Those in continuing special need of prayer:

Jamie, Dorothy Clayton, Margaret Fellows, Mary Hathersmith, Bill and Dot Hill, Rosemary Hunt, Mary Jones, Queenie Jones, Arthur Palin, Nick Rutter, David Shiel, Renee Wellings

Those who have died

Ken Richmond, Pam Morris, John Barlow, Dr Victoria Dumbill, Denis Phillips, Vera Allen