



Welcome to
The Church of St James the Greater
Leicester



Palm Sunday 2023 **Procession, Passion Gospel & Eucharist**

Gathering

*Starting out from the Church Hall
for those fit to join the street procession.*

WELCOME by Reverend Andrew Quigley, Vicar

THE FIRST PALM SUNDAY

The crowd that went ahead
and the others that came behind raised the shout:

All **Hosanna to the Son of David!**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Matthew 21.9

PROCESSION via St. James Terrace & St James Road (if dry)
Through the Undercroft and Lady Chapel (if wet)

*If remaining in church, **please stand** as the procession enters
and turn to face the back of church.*

Vicar ENTRY TO JERUSALEM

“... Then the crowd that went ahead and the others that came
behind raised the shout:

Choir Hosanna to the Son of David

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Vicar “... This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee.”

HYMN 159 **All glory, laud and honour ...**

Please go forward to collect palms as directed.

Remain standing

INTRODUCTION AND BLESSING OF PALMS.

Kneel or sit

Choir KYRIE ELEISON

Darke in E

COLLECT

Liturgy of the Word

The choir and congregation sit and the readers assemble.

THE PASSION NARRATIVE according to St Mark 14.32 to 15.41

Stand HYMN 157 (i) **When I survey the wondrous Cross ...**

Kneel or sit

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

each ending with:

... let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

in conclusion:

Holy God

All **holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

Stand THE PEACE

Vicar Once we were far off,
but now in union with Christ Jesus
we have been brought near
through the shedding of Christ's blood,
for he is our peace.

Vicar The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you**

HYMN 147 **My song is love unknown ... (omit v. 4 & 6)**

Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Lord is here

All **His spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and just

... exalting us there to join with angels and archangels,
For ever praising you and singing:

Choir Holy, holy, holy

... Hosanna in the highest.

Darke in E

Kneel

or sit PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (E)

... Praise to you, Lord Christ:

All **Dying you destroyed death,
Rising you restored our life,
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Lord of all life O Loving Father, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by thy name:**

thy kingdom come;

thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Choir O Lamb of God ...

Darke in E

Vicar Draw near with faith...

*Communicant members of all Christian denominations are welcome to receive.
All others are invited to carry this paper to indicate that a blessing is requested.*

COMMUNION MOTET

Were you there?

Batten

COMMUNION HYMN 140 **All ye who seek for sure relief ...**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

All **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.**

Dismissal

BLESSING

NOTICES

HYMN 161 (i) **Ride on, ride on in majesty ...**

During which all turn towards the main door of the church.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ, Amen.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – please be mindful of those listening.

Everyone is invited to refreshments served at the back of church.