



Church of Ireland
**United Dioceses of
Cork, Cloyne & Ross**
Templebreedy Group



PALM SUNDAY 2026
Sunday 29 March

COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

We gather in the School Playground in Crosshaven and outside the Church in Nohoval.

The Greeting

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

Introduction

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

Please hold up the palms and your palm crosses while the prayer of blessing is said

God our Saviour, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die; let these palms be for us signs of his victory and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Palm Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ according to St Matthew, chapter 21 beginning at the first verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² 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. ³ If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” ⁴ This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet:

⁵ “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.”

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷ they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ 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!”

¹⁰ When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” ¹¹ The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The Procession

Let us go forth, praising Jesus our Messiah.

We make our way into Church

Processional Hymn

509 All Glory, Laud and Honour

*All glory, laud and honour
To thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessed One.

The company of angels
Are praising thee on high,
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply.

The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before thee we present.

To thee before thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King.

Please remain standing

THE LITURGY OF THE PASSION

When all are gathered in Church the Liturgy of the Passion begins

Let us pray for a closer union with Christ in his suffering and in his glory.

Silence is kept.

The 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. **Amen.**

Please sit

New Testament Reading

A reading from St Paul's Letter to the Philippians, chapter 2 beginning at verse 5-11

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped,

⁷ but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a human,

⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly

and gave him the name that is above every other name,

¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

This the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn 94

1 In the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

2 Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious
When from death he passed:

3 Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

4 In your hearts enthrone him;
There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.

5 Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
In the Father's glory,
With his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

The Passion Reading

During the reading of the Passion, please feel free to stand or sit

The Passion is announced without response

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew

At the end

This is the Passion of the Lord.

Please sit or kneel

Intercessions

At the end of each petition

Let us pray to the Lord

Lord, have mercy

At the conclusion of the intercessions, we say together

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

Please stand

The Peace

Now in union with Christ Jesus, you who were once far off have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn 259

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
*Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth: *Yours the glory...*

Suffering servant, scorned, ill - treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified: *Yours the glory...*

Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love: *Yours the glory...*

So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song: *Yours the glory...*

Please remain standing

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us
therefore let us celebrate the feast

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and *saying:*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Please sit or kneel

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Jesus is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Giving of Communion

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God who has taken away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

All are welcome to receive communion. If prefer to receive only the host (the bread), that is absolutely fine. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.

Post Communion Prayers

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.**

Faithful God, may we who share this banquet, glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, our salvation, life and hope, who reigns as Lord now and for ever. Amen.

Post Communion Hymn 238

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry,
Thy humble beast pursues his road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on his sapphire throne
Awaits his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

The Blessing

Christ draw you to himself and grant that you find in his cross a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope and the assurance of sins forgiven and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CDYC Easter Event - 4th April Smugglers Cove in Rosscarbery, meeting at 1.40pm for an afternoon of Tubing, Rebel Rampage and pizza. Before heading to the Warren Beach for 6pm to meet Dean Cliff Jeffers for an Easter Saturday Eucharist service (if it rains, we will go to the Cathedral in Rosscarbery) Age: 6th class and Secondary School (Everyone welcome to Beach service) Cost: €25pp

2nd May - A trip to **Ballyhass Activity Centre** for an action-packed afternoon of water activities and High Ropes. Arrival at Ballyhass at 11.45am and finished by 4pm. (limited spaces) Age: Secondary School Cost: €30 EMAIL: dyo@corkchurchofireland.com to book your place for either of these events

Lenten Charity Our Lenten Charity this year will be Hygiene Hub. This is an Irish Charity seeking to meet need in Ireland amongst some of our most vulnerable citizens. Providing essential items such as *personal care products, baby supplies, and laundry essentials* through trusted community organisations. There will be boxes in Crosshaven and Nohoval to collect donations between now and Pentecost.

Seamans Christian Friend Society If you would like to contribute items, the following gives an idea of what goes into the bags ~ Soap, shower gel (ideally 250ml bottles as these fit perfectly in the large zip lock bags), heavy socks, warm hats, razors, snack bars, writing pads, toothbrushes etc. The idea is to reach one ship's crew per month. Sincere acknowledgement and thank you to those who continue to support and provide items for this.

Holy Trinity, Crosshaven: OPEN during the week

Holy Trinity (Templebreedy) Crosshaven is now open for casual visitors Tuesday – Friday, 10.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m. following agreement and indeed support from our insurers, Ecclesiastical Insurance. A short guide is being prepared for the main aspects of historical and architectural interest; in addition, there will be a devotional guide offering reflections and prayers. Since the conclusion of the Pandemic, the church has remained closed during the week – it is wonderful now to offer an almost daily welcome! Do spread the word!!