

Our service begins in the Hall. Along with your service books, you should receive a Palm Cross. These are blessed at the start of the Commemoration of the Lord's entry into Jerusalem. The Gospel of the Palms is read (Mark 11: 1-10) and then the Procession begins – *Hymn 509* is sung as we go. We enter church through the West Door. *Hymn 511* is sung as we go to our places in the nave. The Mass begins with the Collect.

We welcome our Organist, Frankie Storer. Our Preacher is Fr Giles.

MAUNDY THURSDAY FOOTWASHING

Please add your name to the list if you wish to take part in this. We need 12 disciples!

MAUNDY THURSDAY WATCH

It is good that a number remain in quiet prayer after the liturgy, watching at the Altar of Repose which represents the Garden of Gethsemane, but we also need people to sign up for the periods of time up to midnight, please. Both lists are on the table.

EASTER HAMPER

Tickets are now available for this at **£1 each**. The draw will take place on Easter Sunday. This is in aid of the Church Roof Fund.

EASTER FLOWERS

Donations towards these are invited and may be handed to a Churchwarden or to Joan Warren.

ACS LENT BOXES

Please start returning these to church as soon as you are able. If you are a tax payer, please don't forget to fill in the form on the back for Gift Aid.

CLEANING & DECORATING FOR EASTER Preparing the church for our Easter celebrations will

take place next Saturday from 9.00am.



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The Parish Church of St Laurence, Long Eaton

Sunday 25th March 2018

Palm Sunday



Green Hymn Books

Palm Procession – 509 Entrance Hymn – 511 Offertory Hymn – 86 Communion Hymn – 89 Final Hymn – 96

Collect

Almighty, ever- living God, you have given the human race Jesus Christ our Saviour as a model of humility. He fulfilled your will by becoming man and giving his life on the cross. Help us to bear witness to you by following the example of suffering and make us worthy to share in his resurrection.

> First Reading Isaiah 50: 4-7

Psalm Response My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

> Second Reading Philippians 2: 6-11

Gospel Acclamation Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Passion Gospel: Mark 15: 1-39

There are no congregational responses before or after this dramatic reading of the Passion

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord, may the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son, make us pleasing to you. Alone we can do nothing, but may this perfect sacrifice win us your mercy and love.

Communion Antiphon

Father, if this cup may not pass, but I must drink it, then your will be done.

Prayer after Communion

Lord, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. The death of your Son gives us hope and strengthens our faith. May his resurrection give us perseverance and lead us to salvation.

AITONE EARLY MUSIC CONSORT St Francis' Church, Tamworth Road TODAY AT 7.30pm

'Passion & Lamentation' – a journey from Gethsemane to the Empty Tomb in Renaissance & Baroque Music *This is a free Concert, but with a Retiring Collection*

All Holy Week & Easter Services are shown on the accompanying sheet