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# BROOKLANDS CHURCH



*Palm  
Sunday*



**"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet,  
the stones will cry out."**

**Luke 19:40**

Today we celebrate Palm Sunday, Jesus triumphant entry into Jerusalem, with many churches the world over. Our journey through Lent has led us to this place. As we have considered the overarching story of the Old Testament we have come to this conclusion: It all points to Jesus!

That means it's time to get ready. In the Scriptures, Jesus begins his final journey towards the cross and as he is welcomed into the city we join with those present who were laying down their cloaks (a sign of royalty) and waving palm branches (a sign of victory) in welcoming Jesus with worship. To help us with this we are pleased to have Manchester Community Gospel Choir who will begin our time performing some songs of worship for us.

A reminder that Friday this week is Good Friday, the day we focus on Christ's work on the cross. We will gather in the church at 10am for a reflective service and in the evening again in Wythenshawe Park (Rose Garden) at 6pm with other churches to witness and worship.

Then on Sunday we celebrate Easter - Resurrection Sunday - and this year we will have an all age family service in which will see new memberships, a baptism, communion and a time of worship and reflection which will include the children. We'll meet at our usual time of 10.30am.

We are also now in a position to announce the funeral service of David Hall which will take place on Thursday 13th April at 12noon here in the church. We continue to hold Jean and Lucy in our prayers at this time.

Finally, the Church of the Nazarene district holiday, Breakthru, will take place this year in at Cliff College in Derbyshire on 16th-20th August. For more information see the website: <http://www.breakthruholidays.com/>. Places are filling up fast!

Peace,

Mick

## PRAYER FOCUS

- Pray for Jean and Lucy as they organise David's funeral. The funeral will take place on Thursday 13th April at 12noon here at the church.
- Pray for Vivienne Best- poorly with a tooth infection.
- Pray for Ava Marshall. Ava is 6 and in hospital with leukemia.
- Barbara Donnelly is home from hospital and recovering. She is grateful for the prayers of the church. We give thanks with her for answered prayer.
- Please pray for Claire Walker's friend Cheryl, who has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Pray for healing, and that doctors will find a suitable treatment.
- Pray for Peter Howells as he continues to recover at home. He is due to go back for further meetings with the doctor. Please pray for his wife, Pauline, too.
- Pray for Anne Beattie as she has now moved to North Wales.
- Pray for Anna Holme as she started chemotherapy this week. Pray that she will remain well during the treatment and that it will work well to contain her cancer.
- Pray for Ron and Jenny Hearne. Jenny is now in a care home and doing much better. She would very much welcome visitors – speak to pastor Mick, pastor Lucy or Margaret Webb if you would like to. Ron has picked up a urine infection this week so please pray for him also.
- Continue to pray for Lyla, the granddaughter of David and Chris Hoolihan. David and Chris give thanks for improvements in Lyla's health recently.
- Pray for Jean Walker's sister - Barbara Edwards, in Germany. Barbara is finding it difficult to communicate after suffering from a stroke.
- Pray for Marie Vickers, a family member of David and Chris Hoolihan. Marie has underwent immunotherapy and is vulnerable to infection.

## DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

DATE	BIBLE READING	PRAY FOR
Mon 3 Apr 2023	Luke 6:12–36	Vivienne Best
Tue 4 Apr 2023	Luke 6:37–7:10	Holly and Nathan Billingham, Lauren and Darcie
Wed 5 Apr 2023	Luke 7:11–35	Audrey Bolton
Thu 6 Apr 2023	Luke 7:36–8:8	Jack, Leah and Harry Bolton
Fri 7 Apr 2023	Luke 8:9–39	Mark and Joanne Bolton
Sat 8 Apr 2023	Catch Up	Tom Bolton
Sun 9 Apr 2023	Luke 8:40–9:6	Robert Bond

## CHURCH CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sun 2 Apr 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship, Mick Kane
Wed 5 Apr 2023	10:00 AM	NO TODDLE-IN THIS WEEK
Wed 5 Apr 2023	10:30 AM	Prayer meeting on Zoom
Wed 5 Apr 2023	5:00 PM	FoodCycle Free Community Meal
Thu 6 Apr 2023	11:00 AM	Community Café
Thu 6 Apr 2023	7:30 PM	Manchester Gospel Choir rehearsal
Fri 7 Apr 2023	10:00 AM	Good Friday Service
Fri 7 Apr 2023	6:00 PM	Joint Service, Wythenshawe Park
Sun 9 Apr 2023	10:30 AM	Easter Sunday Family Service
DATE	TIME	EVENT
16-20 August 2023		Breakthru Holiday

## **PALM SUNDAY - WELCOMING JESUS WITH WORSHIP**

**LUKE 19:37-40**

**PASTOR MICK KANE**

37 When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

38 "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"

40 "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP, RADIO 4, 8:10AM**

If you get chance, tune in to Radio 4 this Sunday at 8:10am for their weekly Sunday Worship programme. This week's service comes from The Message, in Wythenshawe, with Andy Hawthorne as the speaker.

