



# Prayer Diary Holy Week

Sunday 30 March to Saturday 4 April



## Sunday

As we conclude our preaching series on the Gifts of the Spirit today, please pray for Jackie Day as she speaks on the theme 'Gifts need Fruit' from Galatians 5:22,23 at both services this morning. Pray too for Si as he preaches on a Palm Sunday theme from Matthew 21:1-11 at this evening's Six-thirty, as we prepare for Easter.

## Monday

As our Finance & HR Team meets this evening, chaired by our Treasurer Dave Ottaway, please pray that God would grant its members wisdom and discernment as they continue to carefully monitor our church finances. Pray that their discussions would honour Him and support our mission, and that He would guide them with integrity and faithfulness.

## Tuesday

Last week, Sarah Mullally was formally enthroned as the 106<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Canterbury. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to endow her with wisdom, patience, and joy as she steps into this challenging role; that she would lead with compassion, guiding the Church in unity and truth; and that she will act as a prophetic voice for justice, fairness, and peace in a fractured world.

## Wednesday

Our dedicated clergy team: Si and Tom, also supported by Julie as a still-serving retired clergy member, continue to serve us lovingly and faithfully. Please continue to pray for them and their supportive family members, asking that God would grant them wisdom, strength and compassion, and guide their words and actions as they lead us forward.

## Thursday

Amidst the chaos and turmoil going on around the world, over this Easter weekend may we all remember the enormous sacrifice which Christ made on our behalf. Please pray particularly for tonight's Maundy Thursday meal, a powerful, worship-filled evening as we gather around the table over a lamb-based meal to retell the story of the Exodus and the Last Supper.

## Friday

Please pray for this morning's Good Friday Messy Church, with six craft and activity stations helping us to journey through and reflect on the story of Easter, concluding at 11.00 with a short service in the auditorium to bring our thoughts together. Pray too for this early afternoon's Reflective Service with Communion being held in the Lower Hall.

## Saturday

An Easter prayer: "God of peace, in this Easter season we lift a wounded world to you. Where there is war, bring justice; where there is fear, bring courage; where there is grief, bring hope. Renew hearts, restrain violence, protect the vulnerable, and lead nations into reconciliation, mercy, and lasting peace for all peoples everywhere. Amen".