## Holy Week and Easter Resources

Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021 sees the start of Holy Week. As the lockdown impacts on some areas of traditional Holy Week observances and Easter celebrations, here are some of the events happening and resources available to help commemorate this important week in the Christian calendar :

## **Through Their Eyes: Passiontide 2021**

St Peter's C of E Church, Parkstone has filmed **4 dramatic monologues** (5-10 minutes in length) for Holy Week, also known as Passiontide, forming part of this year's Holy Week within the parish.

In the short presentations, the viewer will hear from Mary the mother of Christ, Judas, Pilate, and finally Jesus himself. The story of their connection to Jesus will be told from the individual's viewpoint, culminating with the importance of 'Love', Jesus' greatest commandment.

The monologues will be shared by St Peter's via <u>YouTube</u> and <u>Facebook</u> on consecutive days from 8.00 am, beginning Wednesday 31st March : Wednesday (31st March): Through Mary's Eyes ; Maundy Thursday (1st April): Through Judas's Eyes ; Good Friday (2nd April): Through Pilate's Eyes ; Holy Saturday (3rd April): Through Jesus' Eyes.

**St Mark's C of E Church, Salisbury** has produced a **mini film showing a re-enactment of the Easter story**, to be viewed online over the Easter period. The film can be viewed online via the <u>church website</u> and <u>YouTube channel</u>. The church will also be broadcasting its Easter services online.

**St Peter's Church, Bournemouth** has shared an adaption of Holy Week and Easter rituals for family and household prayer. Read more <u>here</u>

A video prepared by the **Rt Revd Nicholas Holton, Bishop of Salisbury**, 'Sermon for **Palm Sunday'**, is available as an MP4 download in the <u>Weekly Message</u> folder. Videos will remain available on <u>YouTube</u>. Services led by Bishop Nicholas will also be live streamed from the Cathedral : **Maundy Thursday** 11.00am - Chrism Eucharist ; 7.30pm - Eucharist of the Last Supper **Good Friday** 12 noon - Good Friday Devotion ; 2.00pm - The Liturgy of Good Friday **Easter Day** 5.30am - Dawn Liturgy ; 11.00am - The Eucharist



The podcast by the Church of England, *Walking the Way of the Cross*, is available <u>here</u>





A Renewed Hope

Christian MPs and peers from across the political parties have come together to share a message of renewed hope this Easter, through a recording of the Gospel accounts of Jesus' death and resurrection.

View it <u>here</u>

**Dorchester Baptist** 

Church is organising an Easter trail this year. This is an activity for young families over the Easter weekend, based upon material from the Together@Home website.

Packs with full instructions are available from the Baptist Church at the Dorford Centre from 10am to 2pm, Monday to Thursday, before Easter. Further details can be found <u>here</u> and on the <u>DBC</u> <u>Facebook page.</u>



The Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales have shared a range of Holy Week and Easter resources, including a Stations of the Cross virtual walk. Read

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, RC Archbishop of Westminster, led Churches Together in England's Reflection of the Month for March 2021, '**The Glory of the Cross**.' Read it <u>here</u> on the CTE website.



Resources for Holy Week and Easter can be found on the website belonging to **CPO**, the charity that inspires church communications. Read more <u>here</u>



A series of <u>Holy Week and Easter prayers and reflections</u> can be found on the **Churches Together in England website**.



**The Methodist Church** has published a <u>range of resources</u> for personal reflection, for home or remote worship during Holy Week.

**The Salvation Army** has a number of **Easter resources**, including hymn accompaniments, videos and a Holy Week resource. **Explore Easter at Home** is a resource which leads children and families through Holy Week. Read more <u>here</u>.

CAF\*D CAFOD have a range of prayers for Holy Week. Read more here

BAPTISTS TOGETHER The Baptist Union of Great Britain has published a range of Holy Week and Easter resources, including <u>An Easter Service to Share, Easter Graphics, Palm Sunday, The Trader's Tale</u> and <u>more</u>

Christians Working Together on Portland are sharing a daily reflection, The Footsteps of Christ, on their Facebook page.



PACE – The Programme for Applied Christian Education - has created 3 Easter assembly videos : 2 for secondary schools (featuring St Paul's, Throop and LOVE Church), Easter - Hidden Treasures and Easter-Valuing People, and 1 for primaries - Easter

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