

# St Clement's Church, King Square Passion Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024

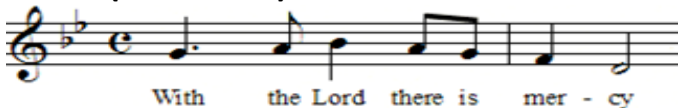
## Collect

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son  
Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## First Reading (Jeremiah 31.31-34)

A reading from the Prophecy of Jeremiah.  
The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I  
will make a new covenant with the house of Israel  
and the house of Judah. It will not be like the  
covenant that I made with their ancestors when I  
took them by the hand to bring them out of the  
land of Egypt--a covenant that they broke, though I  
was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the  
covenant that I will make with the house of Israel  
after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law  
within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I  
will be their God, and they shall be my people. No  
longer shall they teach one another, or say to each  
other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know  
me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the  
LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and  
remember their sin no more.

## Psalm (Psalm 130)



**Response:** With the Lord there is mercy.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,  
Lord, hear my voice!  
O let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my pleading. **R**

If you O Lord, should mark our guilt,  
Lord, who would survive?  
But with you is found forgiveness  
for this we revere you. **R**

Because with the Lord there is mercy  
and fullness of redemption,  
Israel indeed he will redeem  
from all its iniquity. **R**

## Second Reading (Hebrews 5.5-10)

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.  
So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a  
high priest, but was appointed by the one who said  
to him,  
"You are my Son, today I have begotten you";  
as he says also in another place,  
"You are a priest forever,  
according to the order of Melchizedek."  
In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers  
and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the  
one who was able to save him from death, and he  
was heard because of his reverent submission.  
Although he was a Son, he learned obedience  
through what he suffered; and having been made  
perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation  
for all who obey him, having been designated by  
God a high priest according to the order of  
Melchizedek.

## Gospel Reading (John 12.20-33)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.  
Now among those who went up to worship at the  
festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip,  
who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to  
him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and  
told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told  
Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come  
for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell  
you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and  
dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it  
bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it,  
and those who hate their life in this world will keep  
it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow  
me, and where I am, there will my servant be also.  
Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.  
"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say--  
"Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this  
reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify  
your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I  
have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The  
crowd standing there heard it and said that it was  
thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to  
him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for  
your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of  
this world; now the ruler of this world will be  
driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the

earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **For your prayers**

**In our Prayers:** Hugh, Josh, Diane Rankin, Lloyd Whitney, Diane, Trevor, Vera, Chris Hall, Tommy Lacken, Sue, Kathy, Maria Amparo Garcia, Maria, Lenny Shaw, Roger Shaw, Adele Skinner, Pat, Martin Fletcher, Vanessa, Justine, Ian and Martyn. Gregg and Julia Hill, Lewis & Callum, Eamon Irvine, Mia Angel Grant, HM King Charles, Major Sally Spry

**Among the departed:** Christine Shaw

**Anniversaries of Death:** Mary Brown, Clara English, Rosina Norman, Walter Slade, Reginald Gordon, Fr Richard Brown, Herbert Stickles, Albert Henry Johnson, Anna Maria Vaccaro, Frederick Bloom, Naomi Dupen, Selina Jardine, William Brookes

**In the Parish:** We pray for Moorfields Eye Hospital, for staff, patients and volunteers.

**In the wider world:** We pray for the peoples of Russia and Ukraine, and for all those caught up in the war or forced to live far from homes and loved ones.

### **Notices**

**This week in church...**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>**                    **7pm Stations of the Cross**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>**                    **11am Lent Group**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>**                    **10am-1pm Open Church**

**12.30pm Said Mass**

**6pm Compline**

**Next Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>**                    ***Palm Sunday***

**10.30am Blessing of Palms,  
Procession and Sung Mass**

### **Holy Week and Easter**

Please pick up a **Parish Easter Card** and put the details in your diaries/phones/data storage devices!

### **Easter Flowers**

If you'd like to make a contribution please speak with Elaine, Ginny or Father David.

### **Men's Clothes Appeal**

Care4Calais with whom we work in supporting the needs of Refugees and Asylum Seekers based in the Barbican Thistle Hotel are asking **for men's coats and other winter clothes** for distribution to those without any winter wear in this cold weather. If you have any good quality second-hand clothes to donate please speak to Fr David or Rita.

### **Parish Giving**

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is an established service for managing One-Off donations and Direct Debit giving to St Clement's. It is free and reduces the burden of work on church volunteers and provides a simple and secure service to givers. For more information speak to Emke or Father David or go to

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