

Welcome everyone.

Today is the start of Holy Week.

On Palm Sunday we remember how crowds welcomed Jesus into the city of Jerusalem.

Let us now watch the story on screen from Matthew chapter 21 verses 1 to 11

Lent Cross

Bible Reading Matthew Chapter 21 verses 8 & 9

Many people spread their coats on the road before Jesus.

Others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

The palm leaves are brought forward and placed at the cross.

Some of the people were walking ahead of Jesus. Others were walking behind him. All the people were shouting,

“Praise to the Son of David!

God bless the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Praise to God in heaven!”

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, children welcomed you on Palm Sunday and people spread garments and palm branches in your path.

Make us ready to lay at your feet all that we have and are.

Amen.

Jesus entering Jerusalem (during activities)



Prayer 1

Let us shout the praises of Jesus
Hosanna to the Son of David!

He comes into our lives
Make way for Jesus today

He is our humble King
Make way for peace today

He comes to save us all
Make way for others today

He comes to save us from our sins
Make way for forgiveness today

He comes to lead us back to God
Make way for God today

Amen.

Prayer 2

Let us pray for the world, holding our Palm Cross in our hand.

God, we pray for the peace of Jerusalem and their neighbours

Hold them and save them

We pray for our own town and village

Hold them and save them

We pray for all who struggle

Hold them and save them

We pray for those who are unwell

Hold them and save them

We pray for those who live in danger and fear

Hold them and save them

We pray for young people everywhere

Hold them and save them

We pray for the church and for all Christians

Hold them and save them

We pray for ourselves

Hold us and save us

Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray

Amen

Closing Words

Let us hold up high our Palm cross
As we walk the road to Easter let us walk with Jesus
and take up his cross.

Where Jesus walks

We will follow

Where Jesus stumbles

We will stop

Where Jesus cries

We will listen

Where Jesus suffers

We will hurt

Where Jesus dies

We will bow our heads in sadness

Where Jesus rises again in glory

We will share his endless joy

Blessed is the one who goes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest!

Amen