

Prayers for Holy Week

Monday 3rd April

Yesterday we remembered Jesus's entry into Jerusalem knowing the suffering he would endure. Pray that his example will inspire us not to give up when the way seems hard. Pray for guidance to discern when it is best to be active and serving and when to be sitting at Jesus's feet and learning from him.

Tuesday 4th

The message of the cross can be hard to understand. How can death give way to life? How can weakness be strength? Pray that the love of God in giving us Jesus will lift us up and enable us to walk in the path he has shown us knowing that he has died for us so that we can overcome death.

Wednesday 5th

Jesus spoke out against injustice, violence, greed and envy aware of what it would cost Him to do this. Pray for those people who are the victims of war and injustice. Pray for the courage to speak out against these evils and pray that the Lord will show compassion to people who are forced to flee their homes or who continue to suffer in silence. Pray for the will and the means to help them.

Thursday 6th

Today is Maundy Thursday. Jesus was a teacher, a highly respected position, yet he knelt and washed the feet of his disciples. Pray for humility and give thanks for the gifts that you have that you can share with others.

Friday 7th

Good Friday is a low point in Holy Week. Jesus cried out on the cross "Why have you forsaken me?" His mission on earth was accomplished with deliverance yet to come. Give thanks for the sacrifice of Jesus and for the promise of eternal life. Pray for the Lord to help you and lift you up again when you are feeling down.

Saturday 8th

Sometimes we have to wait for a response to prayer. There are times when we don't understand how to pray or what to pray for. Jesus's followers may have felt like that when they saw him die on the cross. Pray for a deeper knowledge of God's love and care for us and for acceptance of his will.

Sunday 9th

Easter day! The Lord is Risen! Give thanks and be joyful.