

### **Service Times for HOLY WEEK**

## Palm Sunday:

8.00am Holy Communion - St G

9.30am Palm Procession & Eucharist - St G

11.00am Eucharist & distribution of Palms - St H

## **Holy Monday:**

9.30am Holy Communion - St G

7.30pm The Eucharist & address - St H

## **Holy Tuesday:**

9.30am Holy Communion - St H

7.30pm The Eucharist & address - St H

## Holy Wednesday:

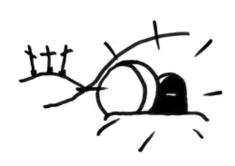
9.30am Holy Communion - St G

7.30pm The Eucharist & address - St H

# **Maundy Thursday:**

9.30am Holy Communion - St G

7.30pm The Sung Eucharist - St G



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# **Good Friday:**

9.30am The Liturgy of the Day - St G12-3pm Three Hours - St G

#### Easter Eve:

7.30pm The Vigil, Service of Light, & Renewal of baptismal vows - St G

## **Easter Day:**

8.00am Holy Communion - St G

9.30am The Parish Eucharist - St G

11.00am The Parish Eucharist - St H

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# **LENT, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2023**

# **THE SEASON OF LENT**

From early days Christians have observed the time of Our Lord's passion and resurrection with a season of penitence and fasting.

These forty days of Lent give us an opportunity, through selfexamination and repentance, fasting and prayer, to remove the barriers which keep us from God.

It is a time to re-evaluate priorities and put ourselves right - with our inner being, with our neighbour, with creation, and with our God.

We mark the season of Lent by giving things up and taking things on. We are encouraged to meditate on God's Word and to open ourselves to new truths.

For those who are able, the church keeps Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, the Fridays of Lent as fast days.

Many find the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession especially appropriate during this season which begins on Ash Wednesday, 22nd February.

# **ASH WEDNESDAY**

**9.30am** Holy Communion and imposition of Ashes -

at ST HILDA'S

7.30pm Sung Eucharist and imposition of Ashes - at ST GEORGE'S

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**During Lent**, once again, we are offering various opportunities for study.

1. The Falling of Dusk: the 2023 Lent Book, published by Bloomsbury. For generations, Christian communities have meditated upon the seven last words of Jesus on the cross. Gathered from across the Gospel accounts of the crucifixion, these sayings still speak to us today. In an age of uncertainty and suspicion, Paul Dominiak explores how each of the seven last words attends to doubt as the refining fire of faith, rather than as its enemy.

The Falling of Dusk puts into critical conversation some of the great doubters of religion with the breadth of the Christian tradition and contemporary theological voices. Each chapter considers one last word spoken on the cross, unpacking why Christians should embrace suspicious doubt, and how a suspicious Christianity might challenge doubters.

Aimed at those who embrace, reject, or are uncertain about faith, Paul Dominiak invites us to reflect in unconventional ways on our assumptions, anxieties, suspicions and beliefs through a conventional Lenten form of meditation.

There is the opportunity to "sign up" to one of the following discussion groups:

Monday, 2.00pm in Jesmond Library

Tuesday, 2.00pm in the Winskell Room

Wednesday, 7.30 in St Hilda's – followed by Compline at 8.45pm.

2. <u>Angels in America</u>, an opportunity to view the video of the National Theatre's production of Tony Kushner's award winning work.

WARNINGS: Strong language, Aids theme, scenes of death, love scenes both straight and gay, nudity – very brief.

Thursday, 7.30pm at 1 Jesmond Dene Road

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- 3. Our Favourite Prayer: During the 9.30 Parish Eucharist during Lent, the ministry team will lead a sermon series on Our Favourite Prayer.
- 4. Alms Giving: during Lent, there will be a box at the back of St George's (open most weekdays between 9.30 – 12.30) to receive donations for the East End Women's Foodbank, to give money directly see: <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/WalkerEmergencyAppeal">https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/WalkerEmergencyAppeal</a>
- 5. <u>Compline</u>: on Wednesday evenings at 8.45pm in St Hilda's, the opportunity to join together in the ancient office of Compline. This will follow on from the Wednesday evening discussion group, but not exclusively for those who attend it.

# **Holy Week and Easter:**

This year, during Holy Week, our thoughts will be led by Ollie Dempsey through a series of addresses and sermons entitled The Art of the Passion. Each reflection will focus on a piece of art and how it depicts some of the feelings and emotions of Holy Week and the story of Christ's Passion, such as betrayal, hope, and triumph.



Triptych: Scenes from the Passion of Christ Master of Delft

(Note. This piece may not be used in the Holy Week series)

https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/paintings/master-of-delft-triptych-scenes-from-the-passion-of-christ

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