

SUNDAY 21ST MARCH 2021

LENT 5

PASSIONTIDE



A warm welcome to everyone whether you are regular or visiting.

COLLECT:

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

JEREMIAH 31. 31 - 34

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.

This is the Word of the Lord *All Thanks be to God*

GOSPEL:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
All Glory to you, O Lord.

JOHN 12. 20-33

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 judgement 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. *All Praise to you, O Christ*

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular this week all the people who live on:

Packet Lane, Pinewood Avenue, Ruskin Grove and Rydal Road

We pray for those who are sick or in need at this time:

Terry Davey, Jean Wilson, Margaret Pinkney, Stephen, Jean Hollingdrake, Mary Wilkinson, Jessica

We hold before God those who have recently died and pray for their families and friends:

Jeff Timms, Maisie Wilson, Alison MacNeil, Michael Chorley, Andy Pardula, Peter Pardula, Phil Barnish, Stanley Roskell, Margaret Whitely, Malcolm Gates, Ricardo Martin

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer:

Mark Gordon Rawsthorne, William Cowperthwaite, Frank Bracey Croll, Brian Seddon, Annie Cowperthwaite, Robin Foster (Priest),

GIVING TO CHURCH:

Most people here pledge to give regularly and generously direct through their bank.

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sort code: 01 01 60 a/c number: 94801703.

Small gifts can be texted to church: text any amount up to £20 to 70085 e. g. To donate £10 text HTBLS 10 to 70085,

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reflections and prayers