

**Benefice Lunch** at the Wentworth Arms first Thursday of the month, (2nd April). 12 noon for 12.30pm Please let Helen Morgan know as soon as possible if you would like to join this sociable occasion and also choose your menu.  
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**Holy Week Services at St Mary's**  
**Monday:** Compline at 6.30 pm  
**Tuesday:** Compline at 6.30 pm  
**Wednesday:** Holy Communion at 9 am & Compline at 6.30 pm  
**Good Friday:** Hour by the Cross at 2pm.

**Sunday Reflection:** every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on: [vimeo.com/dioceseforyork](http://vimeo.com/dioceseforyork)  
This Sunday, The Venerable Liz Hassall, Archdeacon of York, reflects on our Gospel reading.

The **Parish Pass** gives free entry into York Minster.  
If you want to visit the Minster during the Easter holidays, ask Helen Shaw for the digital pass.

**Privacy Notice:** seating in the side aisles is designated a "video-free" area - out of range of our cameras.

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Usual Rest Day is Friday.



**Ryedale Community Foodbank update**  
We are gradually replenishing our stocks after the Christmas rush. Current shortages are: jam (not homemade), tinned fruit, packets of dried pasta (we have never asked for these before, we usually get lots donated), baked beans, tinned meat, tinned meat in sauce, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables & packets of instant mash. Thank you for your continuing support.

**Wednesday 25th March** was Lady Day and celebrates the Annunciation, when the Archangel Gabriel appears to Mary and tells her that she is to bear the incarnate son of God. You can read the story in the Gospel of Luke, 1. 26–38. This miraculous event was taken as a fulfilment of a prophecy found in the Old Testament Book of Isaiah, 7. 14: 'Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall call his name Emmanuel.' In some pictures of the Annunciation, Mary is shown reading a Bible, open at the page bearing these words.

**Another big thank you** to Alison, for all the time and effort she put into last Sunday evening's Way of the Cross service. Thank you also to the Augmented Choir, who did a terrific job and members of the congregation commented on the atmosphere that was created.

Items for Weekly Sheet to:  
[helen.shaw59@btinternet.com](mailto:helen.shaw59@btinternet.com)



**29th  
March  
2026**

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**Palm  
Sunday**

## St Michael's Church, Malton

*The Church in the Market Place*

*We are a church, who invites and welcomes others,  
to journey together, growing in our love of Christ  
and deepening our relationship with Him.*

### Welcome to our service today

We welcome to Communion all baptized Christians. Coffee is served after the Parish Communion service; please stay for this and, if you are new to St Michael's, make yourself known to us.

### Collect


Almighty and everlasting God,  
who in your tender love towards the human race  
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
to take upon him our flesh  
and to suffer death upon the cross:  
grant that we may follow the example  
of his patience and humility,  
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;  
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.**

### Prayer after Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,  
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:  
give us the mind to follow you  
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,  
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Website: [www.maltonbenefice.org.uk](http://www.maltonbenefice.org.uk)

**A big thank you** to Canon Richard for running the five week Lent course. It's been a few years since we had one & it was so appreciated.

All of today's hymns are in the printed order of service. At the end of the service, Alison will play Fantasia on 'Farewell, I gladly bid Thee' by J.S. Bach 

### **BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 23**

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Acre Way, Green Dykes, Lascelles Lane, Pear Tree Walk, St Michael Street and Wheatlands.

### **Services in Holy Week**

**Monday 30th March:** Holy Communion at 10.30 am.

**Tuesday 31st March:** Holy Communion at 10.30 am.

**Wed 1st April:** H. C . at 10.30 am.

**Thurs 2nd April:** Maundy Thursday Messy Church for Easter from 11am to 1pm. Fun & activities for all the family. Book you place by email on: maltonbenefice@yahoo.com Maundy Eucharist at 7.30 pm.

**Friday 3rd April:** Good Friday Gathering in the Market Place at 10.30 am.

**Sat 4th April:** Easter Vigil at 7.30 pm.

**5th April:** Easter Sunday Family Communion Service at 9.30 am with activities & eggs for the children.

If anyone would appreciate a home visit and/or home Communion, over Easter, then please contact Connie Clark. Details in Parish Address Book.

### **READINGS & DUTIES**

#### **Maundy Thursday at 7.30 pm**

Readings Exodus 12. 1-14  
1 Corinth 11. 23-26  
John 13. 1-17, 31b-35

Stewards Connie Clark  
Elaine Matthews

Readers Tracey Young  
Alan Young

Intercessions Sarah Barry

Chalice Connie Clark

#### **Sunday 5th April at 9.30 am**

#### **Easter Day Family Communion**

Readings Acts 10. 34-43  
Colossians 3. 1-4  
John 20. 1-18

Duty Leader Mike Rhodes

Assistant Marg Rhodes

Sidesperson Joyce Birch

Greeters Lucy & Beatrice

Reader All-Age Worship team

Intercessions All-Age Worship team

Chalice Mike Rhodes

Coffee Clare Firth

Watson family

Flowers Edith Mason

**Lego church this Sunday** for children aged 3 years & upwards to explore Bible stories. In the Lady Chapel during our Palm Sunday service.

**Regular Saturday Coffee Stops** resume next Saturday.

**Iona-style service next Sunday afternoon at 4pm.**

Tea & cake afterwards and everyone is very welcome.



## **Readings for Palm Sunday**

### **A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah**

The servant of the Lord said: The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore, I have not been disgraced; therefore, I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? Isaiah 50. 4-9a

### **Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to Matthew**

As Jesus and his disciples approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, tell them that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." This took place to fulfil what was spoken through the prophet: "Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of them and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!" When Jesus entered Jerusalem the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee." Matthew 21. 1-11