# From Rev Katy...

I hope that you are surviving this interesting time: one of the more useful messages I have heard is from Terry Waite who was kidnapped and held for 1,763 days. He says: Change your mindset, you're not STUCK at home, you're SAFE at home His advice: Keep your own dignity - get out of your PJs! Form a structure for the day Be grateful for what you have - shelter, home, possessions Read and be creative.

So lets keep positive and TALK.

Its is Palm Sunday this week and this year it will be different! If I've heard that once, I have heard it few times already over these last few weeks! On Sunday we head into Holy week starting with the story of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey. On this Sunday, called Palm Sunday, we would usually be blessing and receiving palms at church and taking them home. But we can't do that this year, so I am going to ask you to make one before the start of the service, so its ready to wave triumphantly!

There are many instructions on the web, however, you could be creative and choose some small branches from the garden and make a cross using those, whatever you think would work for you. You will need these crosses when you watch the Sunday service on our YouTube channel.

#### Easter Gardens...

The other creative thing I wondered if you as a family would do is to make an Easter garden, we can't display the actual gardens in church but you could make one and send me a picture of it then we could put those on the website so everyone could see.

## For Parents with children...

Roots (the subscription-based teaching scheme that Junior Church use) is offering their online resources, based on the weekly lectionary, to all for free during the suspension of worship. This means that parents can download the weekly activity sheets that the children would have been using in their groups - without needing to log in or pay a subscription.

#### The link can be found

on: <u>https://www.rootsontheweb.com/</u> & just click on the 'FREE Resources' link on the right-hand side of the page.

# Welcome to The Benefice of Backwell and Chelvey with Brockley

5<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Palm Sunday



At 6.15pm on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April we will join together via Zoom for BCP Holy Communion, using your prayer books, so dig them out!

# General Information...

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sort code 60-14-49 account No. 41004027 Village Magazine...

As many of you may be unable to get a village magazine, this is the link for the online magazine, just copy and paste it into your browser. <u>https://www.backwellvillagemag.co.uk/</u>

## **Collect and Readings...**

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

#### Psalm 118 1-2 19 to the end

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord;

the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me

and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing:

it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.<sup>[c]</sup>

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures for ever.

#### Matthew 21: 1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

## Matthew 26:14 to end of 27

please use your bibles for this reading as it is again very long!

#### Is not often that we get free stuff...

Royal Opera House might be closed, but it's offering free broadcasts on its <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u> channels, including:

- *Così fan tutte,* The Royal Opera, 2010 7pm on Friday 10 April
- The Metamorphosis, The Royal Ballet, 2013 – 7pm on Friday 17 April

After they've been broadcast, these performances will be available on those channels to view 'on demand', so don't worry if you can't tune in at the times above. There's also free content from the Royal Opera House available on BBC iPlayer to watch anytime.

## For your prayers this week...

In the Anglican Communion: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean The Most Rev'd James Richard Wong Yin Song Archbishop of Province of Indian Ocean & Bishop of Seychelles

**Zambia:** As we reflect on our situation, let's also pray for the people of Zambia, whose health system is not as sophisticated as ours and who face a huge threat from coronavirus.

**In this Diocese:** Bishop Ruth and Today we honour you, Lord, and offer whatever we can of ourselves during this challenging time. May we know how to display affection for our King of kings.

In the Deanery: Pill, Portbury & Easton in Gordano Portishead Team Ministry led by Rev'd Astrid Tiesema-Samsom

April/May Charity: Wellspring Counselling April Prayer Cycle: Robinson Way, Robinson Close, Kellways, Rushmoor Lane, Rushmoor Grove Backwell Junior School: We pray for all classes, their teachers and classroom assistants and especially Nick and Alastair as they work at this difficult time.

Those who are sick or in need: Jo Cleeves, Sheila Llewellyn, Ann Clark, Jennifer Hole and Jenny Stevens Those who have died: Michael George Coldicott and Doreen Smith

Anniversary of death: Rev'd Patrick Blake, Doris Higgs, William Winter

## If you need help...

Please contact the Backwell Parish Council Clerk on 01275 464653 (if you get the answer phone please leave a message with your name and contact details) or email:<u>clerk@backwell-pc.gov.uk</u>)

For Nailsea residents there is a useful link on the Town Council page

https://www.nailseatown.com/nailsea-communitycoronavirus-covid-19-support/