



# ROSSORRY

## PARISH CHURCH

**SUNDAY**  
**2nd April**  
**2023**

### THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT—PALM SUNDAY

#### SERVICES TODAY

**9.00 am Holy Communion . p. 180**  
**10.30 am Morning Prayer p. 101**  
**and Dedication of new window**

#### Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Lesson: - 2 Samuel 7: 18-29 p. 311**  
**Psalm- 31 (BCP) p.624**  
**Epistle - 1 Peter 2: 21-25 p. 1218**  
**Gospel –Matthew 21: 1-11 p.988**

#### Post Communion Prayer.

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.**

#### 10.30am Morning Prayer

#### The Gathering of God's People

Hymn 346 *Angel voices , ever singing*

p.101 Greeting & Welcome

p.102 Confession & Absolution

#### Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

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Canticle: *Jubilate* p. 119

The Lesson: NIV Bible p.311

Psalm—Hymn 21 *The Lord's my Shepherd*

The Epistle : NIV p. 1218

Canticle:- Hymn 223 *Hosanna , hosanna*

The Gospel : NIV p.988

Canticle: -Hymn 238 *Ride on, ride on, in majesty,*

#### SERMON:

Hymn 614 *Great Shepherd of your people, hear*

The Creed p.112

#### The Prayers of the People

Versicles & responses p. 113

Collects p. 114

Intercessions:

Offertory Hymn *My song is love unknown,*  
231 (omit \*)

#### Going out as God's People

#### Dedication of new Window

in memory of  
John Eric Richardson  
1st June 1929 - 1st April 2020

Blessing

Recessional  
Hymn *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart ,*  
643

Dismissal

## READINGS for —SUNDAY 2nd April 2023

The Old Testament Reading read by :-Barry O' Shea.

*The Old Testament reading is written in the Second book of Samuel in the seventh chapter beginning at the 18th verse.*

*(This is David's prayer to the Sovereign Lord.)*

Then King David went in and sat before the Lord, and he said:

“Who am I, Sovereign Lord, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far? And as if this were not enough in your sight, Sovereign Lord, you have also spoken about the future of the house of your servant—and this decree, Sovereign Lord, is for a mere human!

“What more can David say to you? For you know your servant, Sovereign Lord. For the sake of your word and according to your will, you have done this great thing and made it known to your servant.

“How great you are, Sovereign Lord! There is no one like you, and there is no God but you, as we have heard with our own ears. And who is like your people Israel—the one nation on earth that God went out to redeem as a people for himself, and to make a name for himself, and to perform great and awesome wonders by driving out nations and their gods from before your people, whom you redeemed from Egypt? You have established your people Israel as your very own forever, and you, Lord, have become their God.

“And now, Lord God, keep forever the promise you have made concerning your servant and his house. Do as you promised, so that your name will be great forever. Then people will say, ‘The Lord Almighty is God over Israel!’ And the house of your servant David will be established in your sight.

“Lord Almighty, God of Israel, you have revealed this to your servant, saying, ‘I will build a house for you.’ So your servant has found courage to pray this prayer to you. Sovereign Lord, you are God! Your covenant is trustworthy, and you have promised these good things to your servant. Now be pleased to bless the house of your servant, that it may continue forever in your sight; for you, Sovereign Lord, have spoken, and with your blessing the house of your servant will be blessed forever.”

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

The New Testament Reading read by:- Jake Sizeland.

*The New Testament reading is written in the First Letter of Peter in the second chapter beginning at the 21st verse.*

*(In which we commit our lives to Christ the Great Shepherd of the sheep)*

To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,  
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.” For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Sung Acclamation)*

The Gospel reading read by:- Fionn Hambly.

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ according to St Matthew chapter 21  
beginning at verse 1.*

**Glory to you , Lord Jesus Christ.**

***(The Triumphal Entry to Jerusalem.)***

As they 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, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.”

This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

“Say to Daughter Zion,  
‘See, your king comes to you,  
gentle and riding on a donkey,  
and 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 and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. 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 him and those that followed shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”  
“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”  
“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

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.”

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*(Sung Acclamation)*

*Dedication of the Richardson Stained Glass Window, Rossorry Parish Church.*

*A member of the Richardson family says:*

We present this stained glass window in memory of John Richardson, an offering to this Parish of Rossorry and to the Glory of God.

*Rector* All things come from you, O God.  
**And from your own gifts we give you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you that you have put into the hearts of your people to make offerings for the beautification of your church, and have been pleased to accept their gift. Be with us now as we dedicate this window to you praise and glory through Jesus Christ, that Great Shepherd of the sheep. **Amen.**

*The Dedication*

I will make your windows of agate, and all your borders of pleasant stone.

*Isaiah 54: 12*

*Rector* Look upon the rainbow, and praise the one who made it.  
**How beautiful it is in its brightness.**

Yours is the day, yours also the night; you have established the heavenly lights and the sun.

*Psalms 74: 16*

*Rector* Look upon the wonders of the heavens  
**How beautiful in all its glory.**

Let us pray.

O Lord God, the whole world is filled with the radiance of your glory: Accept the offering of this stained glass window which we now dedicate to you for the adoration of this place and the inspiration of your people. Grant that as the light shines through in its many colours, so our lives may show forth the beauty of your manifold gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Blessing*

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## A word of thanks

We are in a position to accept and dedicate this beautiful window through the generosity of the Richardson family. It is of course offered in memory of a husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle in John. To the members of John's family who read and took part in this service of memorial and dedication.

As we thank the family for their generous gift so we also thank the then Rector now Bishop Ian Ellis who ministered to them through their loss during a most difficult time we also give thanks to Colin and Steward Suckling of CWS Stained Glass and their artisans.

This window is fitting memorial for John, the first to pass and be buried in Rossorry Parish during the awful restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic. John and his family were denied the funeral he might have had, instead as a lone family they gathered round his grave. May this service and day be acceptable as a memorial of John Richardson and to the glory of God.

### Hymn 643      **Be thou my vision**

High King of heaven, when the battle is done,

grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heaven's sun,

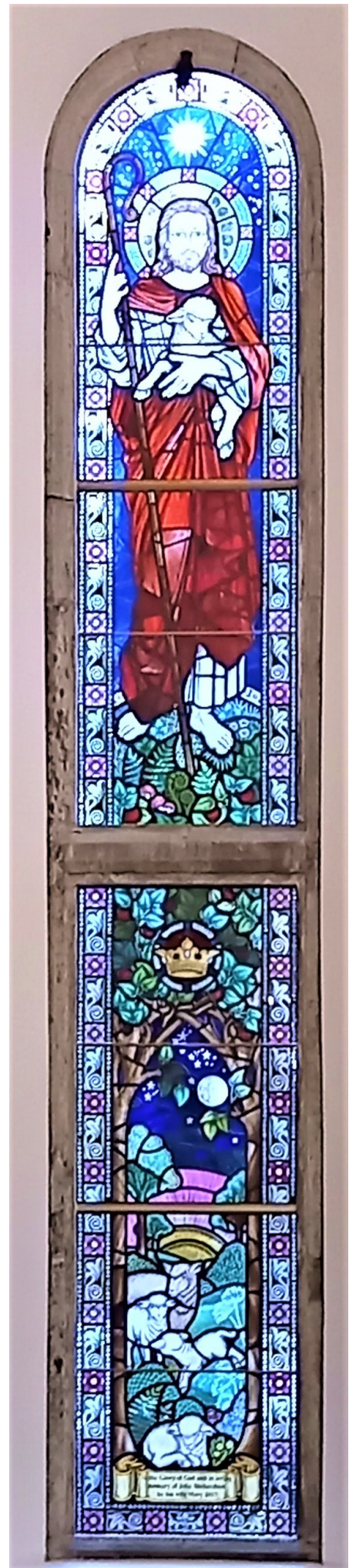
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,

still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Rop tú mo baile, a Choimdiu cride*

*(Early Irish)*

*tr. Mary Byrne (1880-1931)*



## CONGRATULATIONS—RAINBOWS !



“12 new Rainbows all made their Rainbow promise on Monday 27th March, after having decorated the hall with their group name & made a special Rainbow promise potion. Proud parents and grandparents watched on as each girl made their promise to do her best, to think about her beliefs and to be kind and helpful.”



### **BOTTLE TOPS CAN YOU HELP ?**

Jones Memorial PS is collecting bottle tops for recycling —they will be able to redeem them for points which will allow them to obtain items of re-cycled furniture for the School.

Please place your collected tops in the box in the front porch in Church.



A big thanks from the Foodbank for your recent

donations especially over Christmas. Please keep up the donations—the need has not gone away !

Place items—dry goods , tinned goods , tea and coffee, pot noodles, pot rice etc in the boxes at the Church doors.



### **COULD YOU READ in CHURCH ?**

We are currently putting together a list of Readers to read a Lesson at Services.

#### **Can you help ?**

The burden will be small—approx. one reading every couple of months—if we get enough volunteers.



Don't worry about the big words—an age appropriate Bible will be used—so young and older can participate.

Let Gerry know in the Office on  
02866 329889 or  
rossoryoffice@btinternet.com

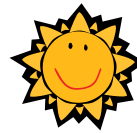
Please indicate if you can do 9am or  
10.30am or any Service.

Check us out at

Website: [www.rossorryparish.com](http://www.rossorryparish.com)



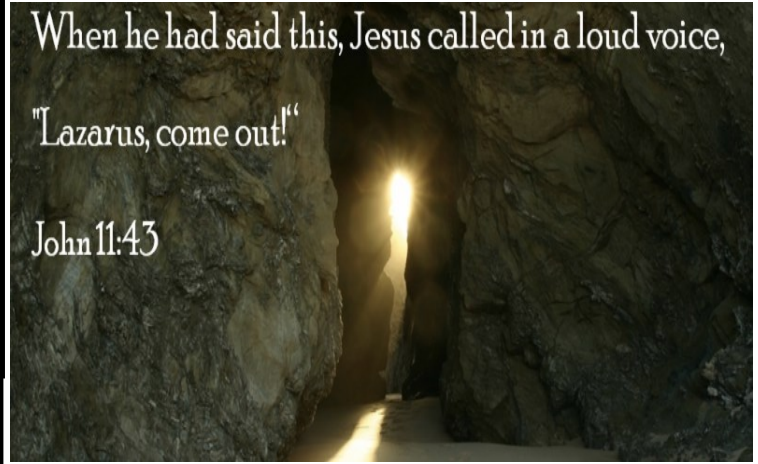
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Thought for the week .....

When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice,  
"Lazarus, come out!"

John 11:43



## SERVICES FOR APRIL 2023

<b><u>Sunday 2nd April</u></b>  <b><i>PALM SUNDAY</i></b>	9.00am  10.30 am	Holy Communion  Morning Prayer & Dedication	Liturgy of the Palms  2 Samuel 7: 18-29 Psalm—Hymn 21 1 Peter 2: 21-25 Matthew 21: 1-11
<b><u>Monday 3rd April</u></b>  <b><i>HOLY WEEK SERVICES</i></b>	8.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong	Isaiah 42: 1-9 John 12: 1-11
<b><u>Tuesday 4th April</u></b> <b><i>HOLY WEEK SERVICES</i></b>	8.00 p.m.	Compline	Isaiah 48: 1-7 John 12; 30-36
<b><u>Wednesday 5th April</u></b> <b><i>HOLY WEEK SERVICES</i></b>	8.00 p.m.	Tenebrae	Mark 11: 15-18 Matthew 26: 20-28 Matthew 26: 36-41 Mark 14: 53, 56-64 Mark 14: 66-72 Luke 23: 13-24 Luke 23: 46-48
<b><u>Thursday 6th April</u></b> <b><i>HOLY WEEK SERVICES</i></b> <b><i>MAUNDY Thursday</i></b>	8.00 pm	Holy Communion	Exodus 12: 1-14 John 13: 1-17
<b><u>Friday 7th April</u></b>  <b><i>GOOD FRIDAY</i></b>	8.00pm	'The Way of the Cross'	Please follow Service Sheet
<b><u>Sunday 9th April</u></b>  <b><i>EASTER SUNDAY</i></b>	9.00am  10.30 am	Holy Communion  Holy Communion	Jeremiah 31: 1-6 Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 Acts 10: 34-43 John 20: 1-18
<b><u>Sunday 16th April</u></b>	9.00am  10.30 am	Holy Communion  Morning Prayer	Acts 2: 14, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1: 3-9 John 20: 19-31

# Upcoming Events



## ROSSORRY WEDNESDAY CLUB

Rossorry Wednesday Club is back in the Parish Hall.

### Next Meeting:-

- Wed 5th April at 10.30am  
Rev. Mc Whirter will Celebrate Holy Communion in the Committee Room.

New members most welcome

## ROSSORRY PILATES CLASS

*Just a reminder that...*



Pilates classes continue in the Parish Hall on Friday mornings from 9.30am to 10.30am



The Communion Services on Wednesdays in Lent at 10.30am will include a prayer for Healing.

If you would like a name included (just the Christian name) in the prayers—please advise the Rector or Churchwardens in advance.

Fermanagh Veterans Modelling NI requests the pleasure of your company for

# TEA DANCE



Venue: Enniskillen Royal British Legion

FRIDAY 31ST MARCH. 2PM-4PM

Guest Singer  
**Wee Tom**  
Raffles and Prizes to be won



To attend please contact Gladys on 07968917619

## MOTHERS' UNION

Christian care for families

Rossorry Mothers' Union meetings.

- This will be in the parish hall at 7.30pm.
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### Future dates

- 20th April.
- 21st September
- 19th October
- 16 November
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*New members are most welcome.*



**ROSSORRY  
ART CLASSES**  
Commence on Mon.  
27th March  
from  
4.30pm to 6.30pm  
for 6 weeks.

We have a new Tutor ( Ruth Elliott ).  
There are just a few places left—so if you want in—ring Yvonne on 07835 516 561





## ROSSORRY EASTER TREE

Our Easter Tree this year will support the work of SWELL as our chosen Charity.

*Enniskillen Cancer Group, SWELL which stands for Supported We Live Life is helping to bring vital services and support to local people undergoing a cancer diagnosis.*

*The organisation was set up by founders and cancer survivors Genevieve Irvine and Lorraine Lily in 2018.*

*In October 2021 the group secured a permanent premises in Enniskillen where people are able to join support groups, avail of counselling and take part in regular activities.*

*Genevieve explained the reasons why she wanted to set up the group.*

*"I was diagnosed in 2015 and once I left Belfast and finished my treatment I found that aftercare support services were just not there in Fermanagh," she said.*

*"All I wanted to do was speak to another cancer patient, it just wasn't there so I decided to start up a group."*

**Pick up an envelope at the Church doors—complete the little tag inside for putting on the tree and return it in the envelope with any donation you may wish to make to the 'Roses' box at the door.**

**Thank you**

Dear JMPS Family

We wish to draw your attention to drop off and pick up time at Jones Memorial Primary School. We are asking that you drive and park responsibly. Adhere to slow driving, follow arrows, do not park on double yellow lines and do not enter the Staff Car Park UNLESS this has been agreed with the Principal.

We are very concerned that our children are moving about and that unless we have rules, someone may come to harm.

Thank you for ONLY parking in the spaces provided and for taking the time to hold your child by the hand. ♥

Please share this important message with Granny, Granda, Childminders and anyone else who collects your child. We want everyone to be very safe

Thank you

The Board of Governors



**JOIN US!**

# JUNIOR CHURCH FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT



Year 12 and below, 5 a side football competition.  
Open to all church denominations in Fermanagh.  
There are two competitions  
(1) boys  
(2) girls  
Scan the QR above to for information and registering your team.

For more information email: [naomi.armstrong@irishmethodist.org](mailto:naomi.armstrong@irishmethodist.org)



Thursday

**4TH**

May 2023

Fisher Park,  
Ballinamallard

# Palm Sunday

**Palm Sunday! Be reminded of the reason  
for the Easter season! Amongst all the  
busyness that goes on reflect on  
Jesus & His resurrection.**

