

PALM SUNDAY and a CHALLENGE



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT : THE PALM BRANCH

See Charlotte's challenge below

Voice 1

Palm Sunday - a time of celebration. The mood is good and the occasion has a festive air but is it sincere. How quickly that mood was to change.

Here are some examples of crosses made in unusual ways.

The Palm Branch is placed on the Cross

Voice 2

He rode into Jerusalem on a donkey and the crowds went wild. 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 went ahead of him and shouted 'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
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.'

Based on Matthew 21 : 1-10

All Sing:

Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!'
Is all their breath,
And for his death
They thirst and cry.

Voice 1:

The triumph of Palm Sunday. The outward show of recognition and rejoicing. The plotting that was going on behind the scene. Can we honestly claim that it could never happen today? Are our human natures less fickle now than they were then? Does the fact that we know what happened on Good Friday and Easter Sunday mean that we would never again allow ourselves to engage in such duplicity?

Voice 2:

Lord, in our Lenten prayers we ask for the strength to be fair, to be honest and straightforward, to reject hypocrisy.

All

In the name of Christ, Amen



Towels



Vacuum cleaner



Cutlery



Remember Charlotte the donkey who first made an appearance at Christmas? Well, she has missed the young people and also surprising older members with her whinnying, tail swishing and nodding her head. She was hoping to make a guest appearance this Sunday. Alas that has had to be cancelled.

However she has set us all a challenge. How many different ways can you make a cross this week eg with a knife and fork, tea towels, vacuum cleaner? Share your suggestions with us – send them to Heather or put them on Facebook.