# **COLLECTS AND READINGS**

These are the Collects and Readings for the next few Sundays:

### SUNDAY 22 MARCH – MOTHERING SUNDAY

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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.** 

1 Samuel 1:20-28	Colossians 3:12-17
Psalm 127:1-4	John 19:25-27

## **SUNDAY 29 MARCH – PASSION SUNDAY**

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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.** 

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Romans 8:6-11

Psalm 130

John 11:1-45

### SUNDAY 5 APRIL – PALM SUNDAY

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.** 

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-18

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 26:14 – 27:66 ('Palm' Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11)

## FRIDAY 10 APRIL – GOOD FRIDAY

Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12	Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25	John 18:1 – 19:42

#### SUNDAY 12 APRIL – EASTER DAY

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, begin dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.** 

Jeremiah 31:1-6	Psalm 118:14-24
Acts 10:34-43	Matthew 28:1-10