



**Broughton St Mary's  
Parish Church  
Sunday 5th April 2020**

***Palm Sunday***



# Call to Worship

We are on a journey:  
**travel with us Lord.**

A journey through triumph, a journey  
through hostility:

**travel with us Lord.**

A journey through crowds, a journey  
through loneliness:

**travel with us Lord.**

A journey with companions, a journey  
alone:

**travel with us Lord.**

A journey to our end with you:

**travel with us Lord.**

Travel with us, Lord, through all that  
comes to us and help us to know your  
presence with us every step of the way.

**Amen.**

# **HYMN 365**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty**

**Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
Hark! all the tribes 'Hosanna!' cry;  
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road  
with palms and scattered garments  
strowed.**

**Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin  
o'er captive death and conquered sin.**

**Ride on! ride on in majesty!**  
**The wingèd squadrons of the sky**  
**look down with sad and wondering eyes**  
**to see the approaching sacrifice.**



**Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;  
the Father on his sapphire throne  
awaits his own anointed Son.**

**Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
bow thy meek head to mortal pain,  
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.**

Henry Hart Milman (1791–1868)

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# Reading

**Matthew 21: 1 – 11**

# Reflection

# Prayers of the People

Lord Jesus,  
we pray for all who give of themselves  
sacrificially,  
for those whose lives are dedicated to  
serving others:  
parents, carers, foster carers, doctors,  
nurses... those caring for children or elderly  
relatives.

**Let us travel together and lighten the load.**

Although the present crisis fill our thoughts and minds,

Let us remember that uncertainty, and fear are always part of many lives

We pray for those serving in war-torn countries around the world: medics, those who work in missions, the media, NGOs and charities...

who bring food, shelter and healing to those in need, sometimes putting their lives on the line.

**Let us travel together and lighten the load.**

We pray for those in our communities who need our unconditional love:

those hurting from broken relationships, abuse, bullying, domestic violence...

children and adults whose lives are bereft of love and hope.

**Let us travel together and lighten the load.**



We pray that we might be Easter people,  
laying down our lives to serve others,  
bringing hope to hopeless situations – the hope  
of the cross and resurrection.

**Let us travel together and lighten the load.  
Amen.**

# Blessing

**The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the fellowship  
of the Holy Spirit be with us all,  
evermore. Amen**