## The events of Holy Week: some questions to wonder about together.

## **Secondary Schools Version**

These materials were originally created for the Diocese of Guildford: Lent Calendar of Kindness in 2021., At this time worship was in class or group 'bubbles'. Schools could use these ideas to create collective worship, for use with a class or in whole school worship.



For each day we have suggested:



an image to get the pupils thinking about the theme;



the Bible reference;



a video link;



some thoughts for you to ponder and a prompt for an act of kindness (in bold).



Each day, you could also consider the following questions:

How was Jesus an 'agent of change' here?
How did other people view Jesus' actions?
How do you think people reacted to hearing Jesus' words?
Why might Jesus have said / done this....?
What does this story mean for me?

We do hope that you find this resource useful!

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## Theme: Good v evil – the big themes of Easter

Day / event	Bible Reference	Image to think about	Video	Questions to wonder about together
Palm Sunday	Matthew 21: 1- 11	Christs Entry into Jerusalem Norman Adams in the Methodist Modern Art Collection https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/life- and-faith/the-methodist-modern-art- collection/index-of-works/norman-adams- christs-entry-into-jerusalem/	Palm Sunday in Rocks by Patti Rokus <a href="https://youtu.be/OGmvhYReCVI">https://youtu.be/OGmvhYReCVI</a>	Have you ever seen a celebrity in real life? How did you feel when you saw them? Have you ever been caught up in the excitement of a big crowd? How loyal is the crowd, social media, mentality? How and why do people's views change? Whose fault is that? Stick by your friends today, no matter what
Good v evil	The big themes of Easter	Good and bad image- pixabay https://pixabay.com/photos/doubt-decision- devil-angel-heaven-4803407/	Messiah part of the Bible Project https://youtu.be/3dEh25pduQ8  Or watch our own Big Bible Story https://youtu.be/dSs3wpycpl4	The big themes of Easter Why are so many stories about good v. evil? Name as many as you can. Think of a film you have watched or book you have read recently. How are good and evil portrayed? Does good always win? Make a positive effort to bring good into people's lives today.
Angry Jesus	Matthew 21: 12- 13	Angry stress ball photo – pixabay	Use the slideshow which can be found here: FreeBibleimages :: Cleansing the temple :: Jesus	What makes you angry? Is it always bad to be angry?



		https://pixabay.com/photos/ball-stress-ball-emotion-angry-5586847/	cleanses the Temple by overturning the money changers' tables and drives out those buying and selling (Matthew 21:12-17, Mark 11:15-19, Luke 19:45-48, John 2:13-24)	Have you ever felt like Jesus did when he saw how people had treated the temple? Is there such a thing as 'good' anger? Have you ever felt 'good' anger? Try not to be angry (at least for the wrong reasons!) today.
Maundy Thursday	Last Supper & Gethsemane	Alone photo from pixabay <a href="https://pixabay.com/photos/man-loneliness-sea-evening-2915187/">https://pixabay.com/photos/man-loneliness-sea-evening-2915187/</a>	From Easter in Rocks by Patti Rokus The Garden of Gethsemane - Day 5 Friday - in rocks of Patti Rokus - YouTube	Last Supper & Gethsemane Jesus felt alone and abandoned in the garden. Have you ever felt like this? Be kind to someone lonely – because you know how it feels. Christians believe Jesus does too.
Easter narrative	Resurrection	The Empty Tomb Richard Bavin The Methodist Modern Art Collection. <a href="https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/life-and-faith/the-methodist-modern-art-collection/index-of-works/the-empty-tomb-richard-bavin/">https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/life-and-faith/the-methodist-modern-art-collection/index-of-works/the-empty-tomb-richard-bavin/</a>	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PPeEcrxs9zU This video is a preview version, we can only link from YouTube to this calendar. Follow the link on the screen to the original.	Resurrection This is the whole big story — and good wins over the darkness! When all seemed lost, the victory was won. How does this story seem upside down, like the things Jesus said about God's kingdom? e.g. 'the last shall be first'



	Christians believe that Jesus changed things forever on Easter Day.  Which actions might you try to continue now that Lent is coming to an end?