Palm Sunday | Year A **2nd April**

**Welcome before Mass**:

*Mass begins with the blessing of palms and procession, as such no further commentary is required.*

**Prayer of the Faithful**

**For all who bear Christ’s name** – that they receive strength in the Lord who endured the cross.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou

**For the elect and candidates for full communion** – that they receive joy in knowing God’s love and our love for them.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou

**For the sick, the elderly, and the dying** – that they receive courage from the fidelity of God’s Suffering Servant.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou

**For us who enter upon this Holy Week** – that we receive salvation in confessing that Jesus Christ is Lord.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou

**For our dearly departed** – that they receive everlasting glory with their risen Saviour.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou

**For our local community of … (What are the needs of your locality – housing, health, truancy, an accident… Please discern the needs of your locality and compose a petition.)**

**Concluding Prayer**

Graciously look upon the suffering of your Church, O God, and grant that your Son, who humbled himself for our salvation, may shower his mercy upon us, sustain our hope, and give us strength to bear each other’s burdens.   
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.