The Following Collect, Epistle & Gospel will be read during the Eucharist today in the personal Chapel of the Presiding Archbishop of the Australian Church of Antioch, The Most Reverend Frank Bugge.

The Sunday before Easter - Palm Sunday

Violet.

Intent - Triumph of light, or Obscuration and Resurgence.

Candles 6.

The Altar Cross and the Processional Cross are already veiled in violet gauze. After the Adeste the following shall take place.

### **Blessing Of The Palms**

- P. Hosanna to the Avatar of God, and blessed be this Holy Messenger who carries the mantle of The Christ.
- C. O Lord The Christ Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant sprinkles the palms thrice with Holy Water and says:

P. Let us pray.

#### The people kneel.

P. O God, who gathers the things that are dispersed and draws them unto divine protection, O same God who did bless the people bearing branches who went out to meet Jesus, purify (+) and bless (+) these branches of palm, which your servants take up in honour of your name, that wherever these branches be placed, the dwellers therein may obtain your blessing, and every kind of adversity may be banished from this place, we ask this through The Christed One. Amen.

The people are seated while the incense is blessed and the palms are censed thrice

The celebrant then turns to the people and says:

- P. Let us go forth in peace.
- C. In the name of The Christed Lord.
- P. Those who desire to greet The Lord with joy and gladness, accept a branch of palm as you leave today.

The palms are now given to the Clergy who will place a palm cross upon the processional cross, then the remaining palms are placed upon a suitable tray near the door so the congregation may accept them as they leave. The Mass is now resumed to its conclusion. The following Collect, Epistle and Gospel shall be used every day until Maundy Thursday.

#### The Collect.

O Lord, grant that we may recognise the Lord when he enters the city of our being, that we readily will follow the true example your avatars set for us, knowing this is for our safe guidance in our evolution in the cosmos, we ask this in the name of our Lord the Christ. Amen

Be with us O Lord in all our doings and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued and ended in thee, we may glorify thy Holy Name through the Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Epistle for Palm Sunday is adapted from the words of The Rev John C King.

The light of knowledge shall never be obscured by darkness of ignorance. If one feeble candle glows in the whole world, it has destroyed the totality of darkness. As one little candle can gradually light the world by passing the flame from one candle to another, so will the truth of the Love and power brought by the messengers of God be absorbed by the multitudes. The darkness of ignorance is therefore dispelled by the Holy light. The task of removing this divine knowledge from the minds of the inhabitants of earth, is like a single person trying to blow out every candle in the world. As you blow out one, many are lit in its place. If we dare to rise from our state of apathy and take the trouble to learn, we then would glow in the enlightened state that is the true goal of mankind, and assume the princely position of being a candle in the chandelier that provides the heavenly glow throughout the universe.

Here Endeth the Epistle.

# The Gospel for Palm Sunday is from the words of Morandi, a teacher from "The Spiritual Centre of Light".

The Master Jesus knew his hour would soon come. He also knew this hour meant the coming of the barbaric and horrific death awaiting him. Undaunted he faced the future knowing that he, and he alone could bring the planet earth to greater glory by the spilling of his Holy Avataric Blood upon the earth. Jesus willingly would go to fulfil the destiny laid down for him in ages past. From this apparent dimming of the light within the Master Jesus comes the generation of such energy and power that the planet earth would never be the same again. By the loving and compassionate action of the Master Jesus literally taking much of our karmic load for us, and also by putting the vibration of his love into the planet, he makes it possible for us to advance rapidly to greater noble and godly realms. This is his unique gift to us, the greatest Easter gift in written history.

Praise Be to Thee O Christ.