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Dear Friends,

I hope you are well and continue to be in good spirits.

It’s Palm Sunday this week. I am grateful to Jane Brough, who has written the sermon, as well as doing a little research on St Aidan, who is our Celtic saint of the week. I am pleased also to be able to enclose a Palm Cross for you. You may like to use this prayer as you hold your cross:

 *God our Saviour,*

 *whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and to die,*

 *let these palms be for us a sign of his victory*

 *and grant that we who bear them in his name*

 *may ever hail him as our King,*

 *and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life;*

 *who is alive and reigns with you,*

 *in the unity of the Holy Spirit,*

 *one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

We then move into Holy Week, and in our devotions we especially remember Jesus’ way to the cross. Thursday 9 April is Maundy Thursday: I have enclosed prayers and a reflection for that day. We hope to have devotions for Good Friday and worship resources for Easter with you in the course of next week.

If there is anyone who uses email but has not yet given us your address, please let us have it now as hand deliveries are becoming more difficult.

May God bless you, now and always.

Phil