FAMILY RESOURCES

PROCESSIONAL BANNERS

THE GOSPEL READING FOR THIS WEEK IS MARK 11: 1-11

This week's theme

This week's theme is 'Processional Banners'. We celebrate Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem by creating and waving flags and banners.

Extracts from the Gospel passage (Mark 11:7-9)

Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.

Many people spread their cloaks on the road,

and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields.

Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming Kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

Gospel prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you rode into Jerusalem to shouts of Hosanna. Ride into our lives and accept our praise. Hosanna to the Son of David, Hosanna in the highest heaven; Hosanna now and always. Amen.



Things to think about

- Have you ever been to a celebration parade, perhaps to welcome a sports team after a successful season? Perhaps you were welcoming a celebrity?
- What could you see and hear?
- How did you feel?

Things to do

- **Paper flags**. Paper flags are quick and easy to make using a sheet of plain paper and a wooden bbg skewer.
- **Pillowcase banner**. For a sturdier banner and a more complicated project, why not use an old pillowcase to create a banner using fabric paints to draw your design. You may want to applique fabric pieces to make your design. This can be finished with a piece of doweling through the top and hung with cord.
- Bunting

You will need: thin card, drawing/colouring materials, ribbon, hole punch.



Fold each piece of card in half and mark the new centre point. Use this point to draw a triangle from this point to two corners.





Cut out your triangle and when unfolded you will have 3 triangles from each piece. Repeat this until you have as many triangles as you need.



Decorate each piece in your chosen design.



Punch a hole in the top two corners of each triangle and thread ribbon through the holes. Now spread the pieces out to reach your required length. Display in your home.

Other Ideas for bunting:

Why not make your bunting a different shape? Perhaps it could be a leaf design to remind you of the palm branches used to welcome Jesus?

You could add sequins and glitter or use shiny card to make your bunting even more decorative.

Why not share your creations with us? We would love to see what you have been up to! Please email any photos to education@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk or tag @LivCathedral on social media.