

**Calendar for 24th to 31st
March 2024**

Sunday 24th March – Palm Sunday

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
 Readings: Mark 11.1-11 (Liturgy of the Palms); then Isaiah 50.4-9a; Philippians 2.5-11; Mark 15.1-47 (Liturgy of the Passion).
10.00am Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
 MAP will be meeting in the Bell Tower during the service.
6.00pm Choral Evensong– **St Peter and St Paul**

Monday 25th March

7.30pm Stations of the Cross – **St Peter and St Paul**

Tuesday 26th March

7.00pm Compline with Hymns – **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**

Wednesday 27th March

9.30am Said Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**
7.30pm Words, Music and Art for Holy Week – **St Peter and St Paul**

Thursday 28th March

7.30pm Maundy Thursday Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**
9.00pm The Watch – **St Peter and St Paul**

Friday 29th March – Good Friday

9.00am Walk of Witness from St Peter and St Paul to Prestwood Village Hall
2.00pm Good Friday Liturgy – **St Peter and St Paul**

Sunday 31st March – Easter Sunday

6.00am Dawn Service on **Buryfield**
8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.00am Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**

Further Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated otherwise).

Saturday 20th April at 2.30pm – Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church Talk & Tea, "John Hampden, the Patriot" (see details inside);

Saturday 11th May at 10.30am – Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church AGM. Coffee/Tea served from 10.15am.

The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...

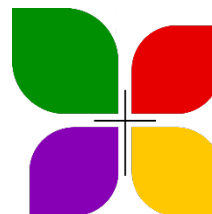
Smash/powdered potato; sardines; chocolate biscuits; cooking oil; fruit squash; toilet roll.

All items must be within BBE date, please.



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St Peter and St Paul, Great Missenden
St Mary's Church, Ballinger
Little Hampden

**Helping one another to Know, to
Serve and to Share God's love**

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Please include in our prayers:

- for peace in the Holy Land, Gaza, Ukraine and in all other places of war and violence;
- for all aid agencies in their efforts to help those trapped by war and natural disasters;
- for a blessed Holy Week in which we listen for the voice of God;
- for those who are considering standing for the PCC or as Wardens at the APCM in April.

“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!’.”

Mark 11.9-10

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

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News and Events

A Prayer for the King. The Church of England has written a special prayer for its Supreme Governor following his diagnosis for cancer.

Just hours after His Majesty confirmed he is being treated for cancer, the Church issued a prayer for his recovery and care.

The prayer is *“Father of mercies, grant to Charles our King, comfort and sure confidence in you, and keep him in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ our Lord.”*

Lent Collection. Everyone is invited to support Abraham’s Children in Crisis charity and our own Defibrillator Fund throughout Lent by using the white envelopes (marked LENT) at the back of the church and returning them through the collection plate. Alternatively, you can make a bank transfer to Great Missenden PCC, Sort 40 52 40, Account 00019355 or you can use a credit or debit card to make an online donation through the Donate page of the website. Please include ‘Lent giving’ in your reference.

Church Office. The office has moved to the Oldham Hall (Church Street, Great Missenden, HP16 0AZ). Please contact Elisabeth on 01494 862 352 or email office@missendenchurch.org.uk to visit the office should you need to. As a courtesy to other people using the hall, please do not enter the hall when it is occupied. This arrangement will be in place until access to the rear of the hall is agreed with the school.

The Memorial Service for Bishop Alan Wilson will take place on Saturday 13th April at 11.30am in All Saints, High Wycombe. Booking details will be circulated in the next couple of weeks. The service will also be streamed.

Coffee ‘n’ Share has now finished for Easter. We will return on 10th April.

Streaming Team. Welcome to George who has joined the team to work with Connor streaming services. If you know anyone else who could help, please have a word with David.

Our Cream Tea season starts on Easter Sunday and there is always room for one more helper to bake or to help on the day. Not every week – not even every month – just when it fits in for you – so please contact Aileen Fenn on fenn.a@live.co.uk or 01494 863 366 or mob. 07985 362 230 or ask to have her pointed out at the service if she is around. Alternatively, there is a form you can complete on the ‘What’s On’ page of the website. Thanks so much to everyone. Sue O’Farrell.



The Church Electoral Roll is being revised. Anyone who is not already on the Roll and wishes to be added to it should complete a form which can be found at the back of the Church and hand it to a sidesman at services. This should be done preferably before 1st April. Forms will also be available at Ballinger and Little Hampden.

Remember! the clocks go forward by one hour on Easter Sunday morning.

MAP have been invited to visit Road Farm in Great Missenden on Saturday 6th April at 2.30pm, when there should be baby lambs to see. Spread the word and feel free to bring friends and family.

Eco Tip for March. Celebrate Spring. Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of the season – breathe in the fragrance of blossoms, observe budding catkins, note different bird songs, spot footprints or use the PI@ntNet app to identify spring flowers. Nature can boost our happiness, so spend time in your garden, on your balcony and in local green spaces. Dedicate quality time to appreciate creation’s beauty and thank God for the hope that Spring can bring with our Lent resources at arocha.org.uk/connect-with-gods-creation-over-lent

Hope School Bethlehem. Please pray for the pupils, staff and families of Hope School as they, along with many others, are caught in the middle of the ongoing war and violence in Israel and the Gaza Strip.

 **Easter Eggs for the Old Tea Warehouse (OTW)**  Thank you to those who have already donated an Easter Egg for the OTW. We have 46 eggs which is a great effort. If there is anyone who would still like to give, Sunday 24th is the last day to bring them to Church. Thank you, Liza Wormell.

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No.: 1067435), fundraising for urgent repairs/restoration to our historic Parish Church building.

- **The Library Sale** of preserves and some cakes on 17th March raised £221.
- **Preserves** will be offered at the Easter Day Cream Teas and by the Library on Sunday 7th April from 10am-2pm.
- **“John Hampden, the Patriot”** Tea & Talk event in the church at 2.30pm on 20th April. Tickets are now available at Samways or from Vivienne at the end of the 10am services until 14th April. It would greatly help catering if you would purchase tickets before the event. A large audience is expected and offers of savouries and cakes would be greatly appreciated! Contact Vivienne: 01494 891 312/avd@davis.f9.co.uk

Restore Hope: Invitation to Public Consultation. Restore Hope has recently purchased a building in the centre of Amersham, formerly St John’s Methodist Church. It will become a new community hub serving the area. You are warmly invited to the public consultation Restore Hope are holding in this new building on Saturday 23rd March, 10am-2pm, giving you the opportunity to view the plans for development, ask questions and give feedback.

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