

**Calendar for 31st March to
14th April 2024**

Sunday 31st March – Easter Sunday

6.00am Dawn Service on **Buryfield**
8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
 Readings: Acts 10.34-43; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11; John 20.1-18.
10.00am Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
3.00-5.00pm Cream Teas

Sunday 7th April – Easter 2

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
 Readings: Acts 4.32-35; 1 John 1.1-2.2; John 20.19-end.
9.30am Holy Communion – **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**
10.00am Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
6.00pm Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 10th April

9.30am Said Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.30am Coffee 'n' Share – **Abbeyfield**

Sunday 14th April – Easter 3

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**
11.30am Holy Communion – **Little Hampden**
6.00pm Sung Compline – **St Peter and St Paul**

The Choir and Organist will be taking a break the week following Easter, 7th April, Low Sunday.

The Parish Office will be closed on: 29th March; and 1st and 2nd April.

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.

Saturday 11th May at 7.30pm – The Great American Songbook (further details inside).

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.

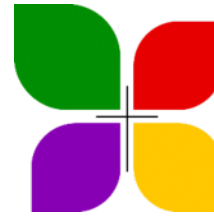


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St Peter and St Paul, Great Missenden
St Mary's Church, Ballinger
Little Hampden

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

Sunday 31st March – Easter Sunday Sunday
7th April – Second Sunday of Easter

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 the King, the Princess of Wales and all who are being treated for cancer;
- for those who are considering standing for the PCC or as Wardens at the APCM on 25th April.

Scriptural quote for Easter Sunday

'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here...'

Mark 16.6

Scriptural quote for the Second Sunday of Easter

Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

John 20.21

Collect for Easter Day

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

Post Communion

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Collect for Easter 2

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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 God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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News and Events

A Prayer for the King and the Princess of Wales.

“Father of mercies, grant to Charles our King and Catherine, Princess of Wales, comfort and sure confidence in you, and keep them in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

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. All are welcome to attend. So we can make arrangements, please register for a seat, via our Eventbrite webpage (www.eventbrite.co.uk), search for Bishop Alan Wilson. You do not need to bring a ticket on the day. The service will also be livestreamed to a nearby venue in High Wycombe as well as via the diocesan website.

We have all taken much comfort in the many tributes made by those who knew Bishop Alan and were touched by his ministry. This service will be an opportunity for us all to give thanks for Bishop Alan, for his life and faith. Read Bishop Alan's Church Times obituary on www.churchtimes.co.uk, search for Bishop Alan Wilson. It is available to read for free during March.

Coffee 'n' Share will return on 10th April at Abbeyfield.

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 April. Fit more active travel into your day and daily routine. Reevaluate your journeys: explore walking or cycling options, or modify your route to include some form of active travel, i.e. disembark a stop early and complete the remaining part of your journey on foot, indulge in a leisurely stroll, or opt for a bike ride along a cyclist-friendly route. Consider connecting with your local Ramblers or cycling group for shared experiences. Use the extra steps or the changed travel arrangements as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage.

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, the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

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

- **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

Easter Eggs for the Old Tea Warehouse (“OTW”). Once again, church members showed their generosity and contributed enough eggs for the residents of the OTW to celebrate Easter and to know that they are not forgotten. We were also able to include the staff. Thank you to everyone who contributed. Liza, Jane, Ian and Malcolm.

The Great American Songbook, Saturday 11th May, 7.30pm. The Jeremy Harmsworth Quartet return with vocalist Maddie Cullen for a fabulous evening of standards by Nat King Cole, Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, Dusty Springfield, Rogers and Hammerstein and other Broadway favourites.



Tickets in advance £15; £5 students (includes light supper) via Ticketsource (please scan the QR code), Samways or the Parish Office.