

Calendar for 20th to 27th April

Sunday 20th April – Easter Sunday

6.00am Easter Sunrise Service - **St Peter and St Paul**
 Readings: Isaiah 65.17-end; Acts 10.34-43; John 20.1-18.
8.00am Easter Sunday Said Eucharist (BCP) - **St Peter and St Paul**
10.00am Easter Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
3.00pm Easter Cream Teas and Music - **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 23rd April

9.30am Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.30am Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**

Thursday 24th April

12noon Funeral Service for the late Mr Mallett – **St Peter and St Paul**

Sunday 27th April – The Second Sunday of Easter

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
 Readings: Acts 5.27-32; Revelation 1.4-8; John 20.19-end.
10.00am Said Parish Eucharist with hymns – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**

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

Friday 25th April and Friday 16th May, 10.30am -12noon: Coffee, tea and biscuits provided for a small donation at St Mary's Church, Ballinger.

Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th May: A Festival of Flowers at St Mary's Church, Ballinger. See details inside. Everyone welcome, so do please join us for this special weekend.

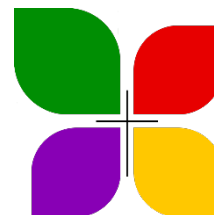
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The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...

Instant Coffee, Pasta & Sauce (Packets), Tinned Chicken, Jam, Long Life Fruit Juice, Shower Gel.

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 20th April – Easter Sunday

Please include in our prayers:

- for the Good News of Christ's resurrection to strengthen the Church anew;
- for our plans to appoint a Youth Worker in our Parish;
- for peace throughout the world;
- for those discerning whether to stand for PCC membership or as Church Wardens;
- for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we prepare for our postponed APCM.

Jesus said to Mary, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' John 20.17

Collect

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.

News and Events

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and the Meeting of Parishioners.

This has been postponed; a new date will be confirmed soon.

The Funeral Service for the late Mr Mallett will take place at St Peter and St Paul at 12noon on Thursday 24th April.

Electoral Roll Total Revision. This year, the six yearly total revision of the Parish Electoral Roll is due. All names will be removed from the roll as we start again from scratch. This means that everyone who is baptised and over 16 years of age should re-enrol. The forms are available both online and at the church door and may be placed in the labelled box for collection.

Please register promptly online or use the hard copy form if you wish to be registered on the Roll. The deadline is Wednesday 14th May 2025.

Part-Time Parish Office Vacancy. This post of approximately 10 hours per week is based in the Bromley Room of the Oldham Hall. The remuneration ranges between £14-16 per hour. The position entails a wide range of Parish administrative duties in regular liaison with the Vicar and Churchwarden(s). Further details can be found on the church website and the closing date for applications is Wednesday 30th April.

Festival of Flowers. After an absence of many years, we are delighted to announce A Festival of Flowers at St Mary's Church, Ballinger on Saturday 10th (11.00am – 4.30pm) and Sunday 11th May (11.30am – 4.30pm). It's a rare opportunity to appreciate beautiful displays reflecting all aspects of village life created by local societies and clubs. There will be delicious refreshments (tea, coffee, cold drinks and homemade cakes), live music, a lovely church to explore and a chance to rest awhile in the garden. Entry £1 per adult. Children welcome. The weekend will be brought to a close by a special Compline service on Sunday (time tbc but probably 6pm). So don't miss a chance to enjoy this peaceful place nestled in Ballinger and enhanced this weekend by wonderful floral arrangements.

Easter Eggs for the Old Tea Warehouse. This is just a brief note to say thank you to everyone in the congregations at St Peter and St Paul, Ballinger and Little Hampden churches for your generous donations of Easter eggs. I am delighted to tell you that 69 eggs were delivered to the Old Tea Warehouse on Monday afternoon – plenty for all the residents and people in the 'move-on' flats, too. It's so good to know that when we are celebrating the wonder of the resurrection and, perhaps, opening our own egg, on Easter morning, we can feel that we have done something to bring a little joy to those at the hostel. Special thanks to Jim Osbond for designing and supplying the labels with a customised Easter greeting, and to Ian Dodwell for storing and then delivering the eggs to the hostel. Many thanks to you all for your generosity. Karen Butler.

Eco Tip for April. Spending time appreciating God's creation can be an act of worship. Nature can be experienced when we notice an insect, hear a bird sing, feel the earth beneath our hands or even watch a documentary. There is strong

evidence that nature is also good for our mental health. Try to immerse yourself in nature every day, even for just a few minutes and give thanks to God for His good creation. Further ideas can be found at arocha.org.uk/ideas-to-enjoy-nature/

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No.: 1067435).

The Trustees were pleased to give the PCC a grant of £1,039 on Palm Sunday, for repairs to the Lady Chapel roof which has had several rain leaks over the past two years. Warmest thanks to everyone who has given us support with membership, donations and fundraising. Grants of over £188,000 have now been given to the PCC since 2000.

If you're not yet a member, we'd greatly appreciate your support – for just £15 a year! Yellow Membership Forms are near the church door, on the central crossing and available online: www.missendenchurch.org.uk/friends

Restore Hope Sponsored Walk, Saturday 26th April. Restore Hope works to bring hope to children, young people and their families in our local area of Buckinghamshire. Your support will help us deliver activities such as fresh food parcels to families in crisis, with food box eggs provided by our flock of 100+chickens, and some of the seasonal produce grown on our land, tended to by volunteers and young people from local Special Educational Needs schools.

Details of the walk and a sign-up link can be found at restorehope@latimer.org/events-1/ or, alternatively, you can donate via the donations page on the website.

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