

**Collect for the Week**

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love you,  
that we may be found beside you  
on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory.

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**10.00 am Festival Eucharist (CW) with reading of the Passion Gospel**

President: The Vicar

Please see separate booklet

**10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre**

Also on Zoom

Lead: Daphne Pilcher, Link: Chris Bassett

Blessing of the Palm Crosses

Hymns: Hosanna, Hosanna  
You are the King of Glory

Make way, make way  
Ride on, ride on in majesty  
All Glory, Laud and Honour

Reading: Matthew 21.1 – 11 (NIV page 988)

**6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)**

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

Hymn: NEH 86 (omit verses 7 & 8) My song is love unknown  
Psalm: 12 (BCP page 358)  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7 Tony Johnson  
Magnificat: Chant C  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Matthew 21:33-end Caroline Johnson  
Nunc: Chant C  
Anthem: Lift up your heads - Mathias  
Hymn: NEH 94 We sing the praise of him who died  
Amen: 11

# THE WEEK AHEAD

## **MONDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

10.00 am - 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

**8.00 pm Stations of the Cross – Parish Church**

## **TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup>**

Parish Office closed

**8.00 pm Compline with Homily – The Vicar**

## **WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

10.30 am Julian Group at Chancellor House

12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre

**8.00 pm Compline with Homily – Daphne Pilcher**

## **THURSDAY 6<sup>th</sup> Maundy Thursday**

10.00 am – 12 noon Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

**8.00 pm Eucharist with Stripping of Altars - Rev. Nicholas Burton, The Vicar**

## **FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> Good Friday**

Parish Office closed

**9.45 am Procession of Witness around the village**

12:30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

**2.00 pm Hour of Devotion Service at the Parish Church – The Vicar**

## **SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup>**

## **NEXT SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> April**

### **EASTER DAY**

**10.00 am Festival Parish Eucharist (CW)**

President & Preacher: The Vicar

**10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre**

Also on Zoom

Lead: TBC, Link: Susan Powley

**6.30 pm Readings and Music for Easter (BCP)**

Minister: The Vicar

# **NEWS AND NOTES**

## **From the Vicarage**

Warm greetings to you all and a special "welcome back" to everyone as we resume our 'usual' services at the Church Centre and the Parish Church. Our 'divinely-engendered' joint services have been a real blessing to so many people. On this Palm Sunday when we celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem, I pray that we will continue to rejoice in God's goodness, thankful for the generosity of so many that enabled us to finance the installation of the two new boilers and flues at the Parish Church. As we continue to put our trust in Almighty God and show our allegiance to Christ, I hope that you will join us at the various services at the Parish Church during Holy Week and the Procession of Witness around Rusthall on Good Friday which starts at the Church Centre at 9:45 am.

## **Special News**

We were delighted to hear that Geoff and Mandy Robinson have had a baby boy, named Alexander. He arrived last Tuesday and we wish them all well and hope that we get to meet the new baby at some point.

## **Julian Group**

The Julian Group will meet on Wednesday 5th April at 30 Chancellor House at 10.30 am. Vreni Gould will lead us into a meditation with music.

## **APCM 2023**

Our annual meeting will take place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April, at the Church Centre. Beginning at 8 pm the meeting is open to all on the Electoral Roll and all residents of the Parish. This year we will be electing two new Churchwardens, as Clive and May will be retiring. Please do come and be involved in this important occasion in our calendar.

## **Pam Munro**

Pam's funeral will take place at the Parish Church on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 12 noon, with the Choir. A reception will follow in the Church at the Church Centre, to which everyone is invited.

## **Jean Steyn**

Jean's funeral will be held at the Parish Church on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 11 am. There will be a reception in the Lodge afterwards.

## **Family Service Children's Group Easter Break**

Our group will not be running during the Easter holiday break on the following dates: Palm Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April & Easter Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April. I would really encourage you to come to the Easter Services if you can, even though our group isn't running as they are such special and important days and will be very inclusive for all ages. We look forward to re-starting our children's group on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Please get in touch with Mary Holmes ([mandmcreative.co.uk](http://mandmcreative.co.uk)) if you have any queries or aren't currently on our Sunday Group email/WhatsApp group and would like to be.

## **100 Club**

The very first draw of St Paul's 100 Club will be done today. Thank you to all who have signed up. If you would like to join there are still numbers available, speak to Chris Dobson.

## **Electoral Role Revision 2023**

The revision for this year is underway. If you are on the list you do not need to do anything. If you are not on the roll, and would like to be, please complete a form and pass to me today. There are forms in both Churches. If you are not sure, please ask and I will check the list for you. Anyone baptised and over 16 who is a regular worshipper at St Paul's can join. Ginette.

## **New Rota**

The rota for April and May is nearly complete. If you are away during this period and you are on the list of readers and intercessors, please let Ginette know. Thank you.

## **Parish Office**

The keys for the window locks in the office have disappeared. They usually live in a brown wooden bowl on the window sill. If you are able to solve this mystery, please let us know. Thank you.

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