

**Calendar for 7th to 14th
February 2021**

Sunday 7th February

2nd Sunday before Lent

- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **live on-line**
Readings: Proverbs 8.1, 22-31 and John 1.1-14
- 10.00am** Parish Communion – **live on-line**
Readings: John 1.1-14
- 4.00pm** MAP meeting on Zoom. Please contact Chloe Lewis for details
- 6.00pm** Compline – **live on-line**
Evensong Readings to follow at home: Psalm 65; Genesis 2.4b-end; and Luke 8.22-35

Wednesday 10th February

- 10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share via Zoom. Please contact Catherine James for details (timandcatherinejames@gmail.com).
- 8.00pm** ROOTS meeting on-line. Please contact Katie Shuster for details.

Sunday 14th February

Sunday next before Lent

- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **live on-line**
- 10.00am** Parish Communion – **live on-line**
- 6.00pm** Compline – **live on-line**

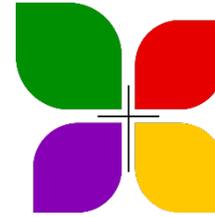
STAFF AVAILABILITY:

Please ring Rosie or Tricia to fix a time for a chat in the week

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

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

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This week please pray for:

- those in our own community who are ill with Covid;
- the people of Myanmar after the military coup;
- Elizabeth as she begins her new role as Rector of Woodford.

'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.'

John 1.5

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Collect

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Worship during Covid: whilst we remain in lockdown, services will be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch at 8am, 10am and 6pm every Sunday (videos of these services will be uploaded to Facebook afterwards). The 10am service will be live-streamed from church, but without congregation at the moment.

St Mary's Ballinger remains open for private prayer, but please observe the following to help protect one another:

- only come to church if you are free of any symptoms and not expected to self-isolate;
- face coverings must be worn unless exempt. Please keep these on whenever you are in the church grounds;
- sanitise your hands when arriving and leaving;
- please sign in on the register;
- people from one household only may enter the church building at any one time. If there is someone already in church when you arrive, please wait a safe distance from the door until that person leaves.

10am and 6pm Services by Telephone: we are relaying the services to people who want to phone in on Zoom – the 10am will be relayed at noon and the 6pm at 6pm. To hear the services, phone 020 3481 5237. You will hear a message welcoming you to Zoom and asking you for the Meeting ID so key in 830 6434 9334 followed by #. You will next be asked for a participant ID – just press # then the password 396381 followed by #. We suggest people dial in a few minutes early in order to connect in time to hear the start of the services. You can chat to any other callers before and after the service but we will mute your phone during the service itself.

Sources of Help: sometimes you or someone you know reaches a point where they could do with outside help – here are two suggestions:

Shout is the UK's first 24/7 text service, free on all major mobile networks, for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. It's a place to go if you're struggling to cope and you need immediate help.

Samaritans provides confidential, non-judgemental emotional support for people experiencing feelings of distress or despair, including those that could lead to suicide. You can phone, email, write a letter or in most cases talk to someone face to face. Telephone 116 123 (24 hours a day, free to call).

Join us for an online Pancake Party! We will be having a Zoom Pancake Party on Tuesday 16th February at 4pm and we'd love you to join us! There will be games, a quiz and of course pancakes! Please email us to register at office@missendenchurch.org.uk so we can send you everything you need to take part in advance.

Register for Gift Aid on Goodbox Donations. Many thanks to all those who have donated to the church via the Goodbox terminal. Goodbox have partnered with Swiftaid, who are able to claim Gift Aid for the church. This involves the charity and the donor to be registered with Swiftaid. The church is registered – what is needed is for each donor (who can) to register. Registration is a once-only exercise, which allows Gift Aid to be recovered on behalf of any charity that is registered with Swiftaid. Leaflets are available in church, but the easiest way is to visit their website – swiftaid.co.uk

Great Missenden School Charity are looking for two new trustees. This is a lovely job with only two meetings a year to give away several thousand pounds to support local young people in further education or training. Please get in touch with either Rosie or Harriet if you are interested.

Giving for Free – Do your shop online? Then by using either of these two platforms you can 'Give for Free' to Missenden Church.

Easyfundraising: register on their website, choosing Missenden Church, then any order you place through them will result in a small donation to the church. They have thousands of retailers including John Lewis and M&S.

Amazon Smile: shop and donate all at once with no extra cost to you. Just use smile.amazon.co.uk/ instead of Amazon. Your Prime membership still works. The church then receives ½% of your eligible purchases. The donation will be made at no extra cost to you and you can choose from over one million public charitable organisations, including "The Parochial Church Council of The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter and St Paul Great Missenden with Ballinger and Little Hampden."