

**Calendar for 14th to 21st
February 2021**

Sunday 14th February

Sunday next before Lent

- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **live on-line**
Readings: 2 Kings 2.1-12 and Mark 9.2-9
- 10.00am** Parish Communion – **live on-line**
Readings: Mark 9.2-9
- 4.00pm** MAP meeting on Zoom. Please contact Chloe Lewis for details.
- 6.00pm** Compline – **live on-line**
Evensong Readings to follow at home: Psalms 2; 1 Kings 19.1-16; and 2 Peter 1.16-end

Tuesday 16th February

- 4.00pm** Pancake Party on Zoom. Please see below for details and register with the Parish Office to take part.

Wednesday 17th February

- 10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share via Zoom. Please contact Catherine James for details (timandcatherinejames@gmail.com).
- 6.00pm** Ash Wednesday Service – **live on-line** (also available on the phone using the same dial-in details as the Sunday services)
- 8.00pm** ROOTS meeting on-line. Please contact Katie Shuster for details.

Saturday 20th February

- 4.00pm** Festival of Interests Talk by Audrey Hyland on Zoom (see further below)

Sunday 21st February

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

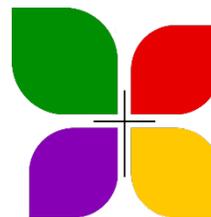
STAFF AVAILABILITY:

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:

- the avalanche victims in Northern India;
- the stability and democracy of Myanmar;
- the continuing roll-out of the vaccine.

'For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.'

2 Corinthians 4.6

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Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask 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 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 some 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 (open 24/7, free to call).

Daily Hope is a phone service for Prayers, Hymns and Services. Just call 0800 804 8044 at any time. It is open 24/7.

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.

Our Ash Wednesday Service will be live-streamed from church on 17th February at 6pm. An envelope with ash and a prayer can be picked up from the labelled cooler box in Sue and Richard Hawkins' front garden at The Barn, 2 Abbey Walk, Great Missenden, HP16 0AY.

Lent Courses. There are three options for you:

1. **Faith in Today's World** with Rosie on Zoom. Discussions on topics from the news (anything except Covid) at 7pm on Tuesday 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd March for about 45 minutes. Please suggest topics to rosieswiss@yahoo.com the weekend before. Contact Harriet to be added to the course.
2. Diocese of Oxford **Come and See** online course exploring the Christian faith during Lent. Whether you just browse their streamed services, want to go a bit deeper or feel you have some big questions, register on their website.
3. **The Big Church Read** which aims to get people reading Christian books. St Andrew's bookshop in Great Missenden has a wide range of books for Lent which you can order on-line from their website.

Festival of Interests. Our next talk, "Pandemic Opera" by Audrey Hyland, will take place on Saturday 20th February at 4pm. Audrey, who is the Deputy Head of Vocal & Opera at the Royal College of Music, will tell us about navigating young, talented opera singers through their studies during the pandemic. The Zoom call will start at 3.45pm for us to chat before the talk. You can watch on the Church Facebook page from 4pm and after the event. If you'd like to join the call, please contact David Harris on 868 237.

Have you had a Lockdown Clear Out? Jill and Peter York are collecting CDs, DVDs, computer games (these must have a bar code on the box, please) and watches in aid of Rennie Grove Hospice who badly need funds to pay the Hospice nurses. Any donations can be dropped to Peter at 9 Abbey Walk, Great Missenden, HP16 0AY. Jill York: 07846 534 301.