

**Calendar for 21st to 28th  
February 2021**

**Sunday 21st February**

**Lent 1**

- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **live on-line**  
Readings: Genesis 9.8-17; and Mark 1.9-15
- 10.00am** Parish Communion – **live on-line**  
Readings: Mark 1.9-15
- 4.00pm** MAP meeting on Zoom, discussing the start of Lent and making a five-finger prayer. Please contact Chloe Lewis for details.
- 6.00pm** Compline – **live on-line**  
Evensong Readings to follow at home: Psalms 119.17-32; Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7; Romans 5.12-19

**Wednesday 24th 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.

**Saturday 27th February**

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

**Sunday 28th February**

**Lent 2**

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

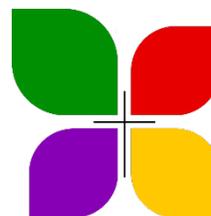
**STAFF AVAILABILITY:**

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

*Vicar: The Reverend Canon Rosie Harper 07743 679651 rosieswiss@yahoo.com*

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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**

**21st February 2021**

**Lent 1**

This week please pray for:

- the ongoing vaccine programme;
- people who are exhausted and anxious;
- preparations for a return to school;
- our personal walk of faith through Lent.

'To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you I trust.'

Psalm 25.1

**Website: [www.missendenchurch.org.uk](http://www.missendenchurch.org.uk)**

### Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son 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, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; 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](http://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.

**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](mailto: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 will be on Saturday 27th February at 4pm, when Paul Withams will discuss: 'Wycombe Wanderers in the community: What is the effect of the lockdown on grassroots sport and how are Wycombe Wanderers helping in the community.' 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.

In addition, have you seen the Inspiring Buildings nominated by members of our Church? Go to <http://www.missendenchurch.org.uk/festival>

**FGMPC Fund Raising.** Jennifer Moss' excellent book "Personal Memories of World War Two" and a wide selection of preserves are available to buy at the Taxi Office and Station. The Pantry also offers delicious Cakes, Afternoon Teas and Cream Teas to order, newspaper delivery and a shopping collection/delivery service – see [www.theheartofthechilterns.co.uk](http://www.theheartofthechilterns.co.uk) or email [anna@heartofthechilterns.co.uk](mailto:anna@heartofthechilterns.co.uk) / 868 699.

Vivienne Davis has a variety of preserves in stock too: please call 891 312.

**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.