

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

Sunday 14th March

Lent 4 – Mothering Sunday

- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **live on-line**
Readings: Colossians 3.12-17; and John 19.25b-27
- 10.00am** Parish Communion – **live on-line**
Readings: John 19.25b-27
- 4.00pm** MAP meeting on Zoom for Mothering Sunday. Please contact Chloe Lewis for details.
- 6.00pm** Compline – **live on-line**
Evensong Readings to follow at home: Numbers 21.4-9; Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22; Ephesians 2.1-10; and John 3.14-21

Tuesday 16th March

- 7pm** Faith in Today's World – Lent course with Rosie on Zoom (see details below).

Wednesday 17th March

- 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.

Thursday 18th March

- 7.00pm** PCC meeting via Zoom (see details below).

Sunday 21st March

Lent 5

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

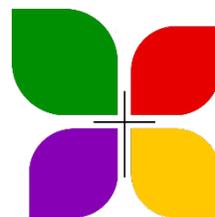
STAFF AVAILABILITY:

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**

14th March 2021

Lent 4 – Mothering Sunday

This week please pray for:

- all families with relationships under pressure;
- anyone experiencing domestic violence;
- countries where girls are denied access to education.

'As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, meekness and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.'

Colossians 3.12-13

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Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; 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 and can be seen on Facebook afterwards. The 10am service will be live-streamed from church, but without congregation at the moment.

Both St Peter and St Paul and St Mary's Ballinger are 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;
- if you have a smart phone, please use the QR code to sign in at St Peter and St Paul or, at St Mary's, 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.

Our Lent Talks, Faith in Today's World, continue with Rosie on Zoom. Contact Harriet to be added to the conversation. Discussions on topics from the news at 7pm on Tuesday 16th and 23rd March. This week's discussion is called "Faith & Food".

Next PCC Meeting. This will take place on 18th March at 7pm. Zoom details are available from David Harris (david.m.harris@btinternet.com). All welcome.

Lent Giving. There are three options for Lent Giving this year:

1. **Giving on-line for Wycombe Women's Aid** by using this link: uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?charityId=1007544
2. **Make a donation to Chiltern Food Bank in a Bag for Life.** The Church Office is currently closed so, until it opens, your gift may be left any morning with Jen King (865 271) at 18 Walnut Close. The specific products needed are listed on our church 'What's On' website page at: www.missendenchurch.org.uk/Articles/603929/Lent_Giving.aspx
3. **Give an Easter Egg for the Old Tea Warehouse.** We need c. 60 Eggs so each homeless resident gets one as a surprise, many of whom are new to the hostel this year. There is no need to wrap them as they are usually in colourful boxes. We will add a sticker indicating they are a donation from our church community. So please consider buying an extra Egg (c. £5-7) when out shopping. As above, your gift may be left any morning with Jen King. Anyone not able to visit the shops or buy an egg on-line, may donate to "Great Missenden PCC" (sort code 40-52-40; account no. 00019355) using the reference "Easter Egg". These funds will be used to ensure we have sufficient Eggs. Alternatively, a cheque made out to "Great Missenden PCC", same reference on the reverse, may be posted in an envelope through the Parish Office door. In any instance, we'd like the Eggs/donations by 19th March, please.

Rosie's Leaving Party will be on Saturday 17th July so please save the date in your diaries.

Friends Preserves. Don't forget that these are available to buy from the Taxi Office, very convenient when popping to the Co-Op.