

Calendar for 21st to 28th April 2024

Sunday 21st April – Easter 4

- 8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Acts 4.5-12; 1 John 3.16-end; John 10.11-18.
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
 MAP will also be meeting in the Bell Tower.
3.00pm St George's Service for the Scouts – **St Peter and St Paul**
6.00pm Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 24th April

- 9.30am** Said Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.30am Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**

Thursday 25th April

- 7.30pm** Annual Parochial Church Meeting (see details inside) –
Oldham Hall

Saturday 27th April

- 7.30pm** Great Missenden Choral Society 75th Anniversary Concert
 – **St Peter and St Paul**

Sunday 28th April – Easter 5

- 8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.00am Family Service – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
11.30am Mattins – **Little Hampden**
6.00pm Choral Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

Further Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated otherwise).

Saturday 11th May at 10.30am – Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church AGM. Coffee/Tea served from 10.15am.

Saturday 11th May at 7.30pm – The Great American Songbook (further details inside).

The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...

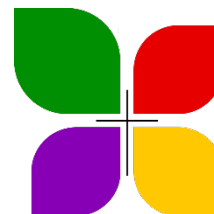
Smash/powdered potato; sardines; chocolate biscuits; cooking oil; fruit squash; toilet roll.

All items must be within BBE date, please.



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

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

Sunday 21st April – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Please include in our prayers:

- for peace in Israel, Gaza and the West Bank, Ukraine and all other areas of conflict;
- for all those in Sydney Australia who have been affected by the knife attacks in Bondi and at the Syrian Orthodox Church;
- for our local Scout Troops as they hold their St George's Day Church Parade this afternoon;
- for those who are considering standing for the PCC or as Wardens at the APCM, this Thursday, 25th April.

'I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.'
 John 10.14-15

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

News and Events

A Prayer for the King and the Princess of Wales.

"Father of mercies, grant to Charles our King and Catherine, Princess of Wales, comfort and sure confidence in you, and keep them in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place this Thursday, 25th April, at 7.30pm in the Oldham Hall. This is when the Church Wardens and a new PCC is elected and all members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

If anyone would like a soft copy of the Annual Accounts for 2023 before the APCM, please email Martyn Green on treasurer@missendenchurch.org.uk

Church Office. The office has moved to the Oldham Hall (Church Street, Great Missenden, HP16 0AZ). Please contact Elisabeth on 01494 862 352 or email office@missendenchurch.org.uk to visit the office should you need to. As a courtesy to other people using the hall, please do not enter the hall when it is occupied. This arrangement will be in place until access to the rear of the hall is agreed with the school.

There is a memorial service for Jean Lishman at St Peter and St Paul on 26th April at 1.30pm. The family would like to invite everyone who knew Jean to attend. Please contact the office on 01494 862 352 or email office@missendenchurch.org.uk to confirm your attendance so the family can plan for numbers.

The Memorial Service for Bishop Alan was held in High Wycombe on Saturday, 13th April. There is a link to the recording of the service on the Church website at:

https://www.missendenchurch.org.uk/Articles/686803/Memorial_Service_for.aspx

Eco Tip for April. Fit more active travel into your day and daily routine. Reevaluate your journeys: explore walking or cycling options, or modify your route to include some form of active travel, i.e. disembark a stop early and complete the remaining part of your journey on foot, indulge in a leisurely stroll, or opt for a bike ride along a cyclist-friendly route. Consider connecting with your local Ramblers or cycling group for shared experiences. Use the extra steps or the changed travel arrangements as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage.

There will be a coffee morning at St Mary's Ballinger on Friday, 10th May from 10.30am.

Hope School Bethlehem. Please pray for the pupils, staff and families of Hope School as they, along with many others, are caught in the middle of the ongoing war and violence in Israel, the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No.: 1067435), fundraising for urgent repairs/restoration to our historic Parish Church building.

- **Saturday 11th May at 10.30am:** AGM in the Parish Church. Coffee/Tea served from 10.15am;
- **Saturday 15th June at 2.30pm** at the Parish Church: "Life in Her Hands" by Professor Averil Mansfield CBE, the very first woman Professor of Surgery in the UK and a real trailblazer.
- **Saturday 21st September at 2.30pm** in the Parish Church: "Ukraine and East Europe" by Paula Kitching, Historian, Researcher & Trustee/Committee member.

The Great American Songbook, Saturday 11th May, 7.30pm. The Jeremy Harmsworth Quartet return with vocalist Maddie Cullen for a fabulous evening of standards by Nat King Cole, Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, Dusty Springfield, Rogers and Hammerstein and other Broadway favourites.



Tickets in advance £15; £5 students (includes light supper) via Ticketsource (please scan the QR code), Samways or the Parish Office.

Tablet Blister Pack Recycling. Unfortunately, we are now unable to recycle empty tablet blister packs. This is due to the charity Work Aid being inundated with blister packs, not only from us, but from lots of churches in the Chesham and surrounding area. These packs have to be sorted and stored and this work is interfering with the day to day running of Work Aid. Thanks for bringing your blister packs in the past. We will continue to search for a source that will recycle these packs. But remember, as your doctor says, "Keep taking the tablets!"

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