Calendar for 9th to 16th February 2025

Sunday 9th February - The Fourth Sunday before Lent

Said Eucharist (BCP) - St Peter and St Paul 8.00am Readings: Isaiah 6.1-8; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11; Luke 5.1-11. Sung Parish Eucharist - St Peter and St Paul 10.00am 11.30am Said Eucharist with hymns – Little Hampden Sung Compline - St Peter and St Paul 6.00pm

Wednesday 12th February

Holy Communion - St Peter and St Paul 9.30am Sunday 16th February – The Third Sunday before Lent Said Eucharist (BCP) - St Peter and St Paul 8.00am

Readings: Jeremiah 17.5-10; 1 Corinthians 15.12-20; Luke 6.17-26.

Sung Parish Eucharist - St Peter and St Paul 10.00am Said Evening Prayer - St Peter and St Paul 6.00pm

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

Saturday 29th March: Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church Talk and Tea (see inside for details).

Please note: the Church Office will be closed from 14th to 23rd February.

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

Smash/Powdered Potatoes, Tea Bags (packets of 80), Long Life Fruit Juice, Tinned Pineapple, Sponge Puddings, General toodbank Purpose Cleaner.



All items must be within BBE date, please.



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

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Please include in our prayers:

- for the building up of Christ's Church through 'fishing for people':
- for peace and stable government in the UK and throughout the world:
- for our baptism, confirmation and first Holy Communion candidates:
- for our Bishop Designate of Buckingham, the Rev Canon Dave Bull, as he prepares for his consecration;
- for those who have been killed or affected by school shootings and knife crime:
- for those who are consumed by hatred and malice, that God will turn their hearts to love.

Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' Luke 5.10

Collect

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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News and Events

Visiting Edna Little. A neighbour of Edna Little visited her in her permanent care home in Thame. Edna mentioned that she would be so pleased if she could have visits from some members of the St Peter and St Paul congregation. Please email the office for details: office@misesendenchurch.org.uk

A Basic Course in Safeguarding. You are invited to attend a Basic Course in safeguarding. It will last 90 minutes (2 hours with tea/coffee) and will take place in the Oldham Hall. I'm repeating the course three times so pick the day and time that suits from Monday 24th March at 10.30am; Wednesday 26th March at 2.30pm; Thursday 27th March at 7.30pm. Do let me know on 07725 909 733 or safeguarding@missendenchurch.org. Alan Mustoe.

There will be no Coffee 'n' Share on Wednesday 12th February to allow for those who wish to attend the late Shirley Tomlin's Funeral at the Hampden Chapel of the Chilterns Crematorium at 11am. The 9.30am Holy Communion will be as usual.

Eco Tip for February. Go Green for Lent. The weeks leading up to Easter are a time for self-reflection, repentance, and emulating Jesus' obedience to the Father. Is there something you'd like to give up or take up during Lent that will enable you to reflect on God, contribute to our planet's well-being and enhance others' lives through sustainable, eco-friendly living? Explore some of these changes at arocha.org.uk/go-greenfor-lent/

A Thank You. Thank you to all those who have sent flowers, cards and messages and those who have brought meals, treats and kept me company these past seven weeks. This experience has renewed our faith in the human body's ability to heal and helped us appreciate the wonderfully supportive community we live amongst. Kathleen Mustoe.

Wycombe Homeless Connection's Big Sleepout is back! Will you sign up to sleep out so that others don't have to? It's on Saturday 15th February 2025 and will be particularly meaningful as it is taking place while their winter night shelter is open. It's an opportunity to show solidarity with people who are homeless and raise money for WHC's life saving work.

Choose to sleep out at Adams Park, home of Wycombe Wanderers Football Club, or at home in a place of your choosing. Get together with your friends, family, home group or youth group to take part or join as an individual.

Humanity Direct Amersham Ultra, 8th March - one of the checkpoints is at St Peter and St Paul. Choose one of three distances to run or walk – 10km, 27km and 50km. See the website on how to enter https://www.xnrg.co.uk/events/humanity-direct-amersham-ultra#

Great Missenden School Wishlist. Please can you consider supporting the school by donating through its Amazon Wishlist: http://tinyurl.com/mryzhna3 Your contributions help to provide resources and materials for the children. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No: 1067435). A date for your diary: Saturday 29th March, 2.30pm in the Parish Church. Another talk and tea event with the usual delicious tea and raffle, fundraising for more urgent repairs. Tickets will be available at Samways in mid-February. "War Graves, Local and Worldwide" by Chris Leach of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and Jill Pateman, one of our trustee/committee members and author of "Great Missenden in World War One", who will talk about the four War Graves in Great Missenden.

This is a very topical talk as May marks the 80th anniversary of the end of World War Two. The CWGC is a global organisation, caring for war graves at 23,000 locations in more than 150 countries and territories where almost 1.7 million individuals are commemorated. The talk will describe how plots and graves are enhanced by the CWGC's horticulture, and will look at the early influences on their design and the challenges now with climate change. The CWGC's architecture, in terms of its cemetery layouts, structures and memorials will also be discussed.

We greatly look forward to seeing you then!

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