

**Calendar for 16th February to  
2nd March 2025**

**Sunday 16th February – The Third Sunday before Lent**

**8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
Readings: Jeremiah 17.5-10; 1 Corinthians 15.12-20; Luke 6.17-26.  
**10.00am** Sung Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**6.00pm** Said Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Wednesday 19th February**

**9.30am** Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Sunday 23rd February – The Second Sunday before Lent**

**8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
Readings: Genesis 2. 4b-9,15-end; Revelation 4; Luke 8. 22-25  
**10.00am** Sung Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**11.30am** Said Matins with hymns – **Little Hampden**  
**6.00pm** Choral Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Monday 24th February**

**12.30pm** Funeral Service for the late Mr Ivor McCall – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Wednesday 26th February**

**9.30am** Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Sunday 2nd March- Sunday next before Lent**

**Sunday Market:** use the top gate or access via Church Street from the London Road end of the village.

**8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
Readings: Exodus 34.29-end; 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2; Luke 9.28-36.  
**9.30am** Said Eucharist with hymns – **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**  
**10.00am** Sung Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**6.00pm** Said Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

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

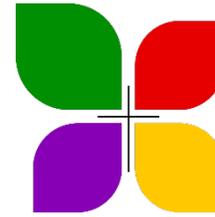
**Saturday 29th March:** Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church Talk and Tea (see inside for details).

**Saturday and Sunday 10th May:** Festival of Flowers at St Mary's Church, Ballinger. More details to follow.

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

**STAFF AVAILABILITY:**

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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**

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Please include in our prayers:

- for the threats to the ceasefire in Gaza to stop on both sides;
- 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 our work with the Old Tea Warehouse and all who live and work there;
- for our school teachers and students to be kept safe in their travels over half-term.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.'

Luke 6.22-23

### Third Sunday before Lent

#### Collect

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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### Second Sunday before Lent

#### Collect

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever,

#### Post Communion

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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### News and Events

**THANK YOU to everyone** who helped make our Snowdrop Festival brighten up damp grey February! From churchyard clearing, baking delicious cakes, to serving on the day – it was amazing so see so many people come through the doors to enjoy a Cream Tea and enjoy local Jazz pianist, Jeremy. Especial thanks also to Susie and Di, who were braving the elements outside up at Overstroud and making visitors so welcome. Just under £500 was raised.

**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](mailto:safeguarding@missendenchurch.org). Alan Mustoe.

**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 [arochoa.org.uk/go-greenfor-lent/](http://arochoa.org.uk/go-greenfor-lent/)

**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.

We greatly look forward to seeing you then!

**AGE UK Tuesday Village Coffee Morning....** Is urgently looking for a committed volunteer or two (to share the post) to oversee the Tuesday morning village coffee sessions from 8.45am to 11.45am, held in the Memorial Hall in the Link Road. It is a very happy and friendly occasion with a wonderful team of volunteers. If anyone is interested in taking up this worthwhile job, or knows someone who might, please contact Jen King on 01494 865 271. Many thanks.

**Please note,** you can subscribe to the online version of the Newsheet by contacting the Church Office by email: [office@missendenchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@missendenchurch.org.uk)

**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 Purpose Cleaner.

**All items must be within BBE date, please.**

