

## Calendar for 6th to 20th April

### Sunday 6th April – The Fifth Sunday of 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: Isaiah 43.16-21; Philippians 3.4b-14; John 12.1-8  
**9.30am** Said Eucharist with hymns – **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**  
**10.00am** Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**  
**4.30pm** Lent Course (see inside for details)  
**6.00pm** Said Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

### Wednesday 9th April

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

### Sunday 13th April – Palm Sunday

- 8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a; Philippians 2.5-11; Luke 23.1-49  
**10.00am** Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**  
**6.00pm** The Crucifixion by John Stainer – **St Peter and St Paul**

### Monday 14th April

- 7.30pm** The Stations of the Cross - **St Peter and St Paul**

### Tuesday 15th April

- 7.00pm** Said Compline with Hymns - **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**

### Wednesday 16th April

- 9.30am** Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**7.30pm** Sung Compline by Candlelight - **St Peter and St Paul**

### Thursday 17th April – Maundy Thursday

- 7.30pm** Holy Communion with washing of the feet and stripping of the altar -  
**St Peter and St Paul**

### Friday 18th April – Good Friday

- 9.00am** Good Friday Walk from **St Peter and St Paul**  
**2.00pm** Good Friday Liturgy - **St Peter and St Paul**

### Sunday 20th April – Easter Sunday

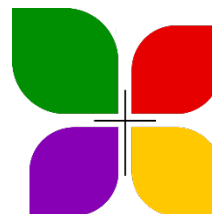
- 6.00am** Easter Sunrise Service - **St Peter and St Paul**  
**8.00am** Easter Sunday Said Eucharist (BCP) - **St Peter and St Paul**  
**10.00am** Easter Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**  
**3.00pm** Easter Cream Teas and Music.

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

**Wednesday 23rd April, 7.30pm:** Annual Parochial Church Meeting and the Meeting of Parishioners at the Oldham Hall. All are very welcome to attend.

**Friday 25th April and Friday 16th May, 10.30am -12noon:** Coffee, tea and biscuits provided for a small donation at St Mary's Church, Ballinger.

**Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th May:** A Festival of Flowers at St Mary's Church, Ballinger. See details inside. Everyone welcome, so do please join us for this special weekend.



**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 6th April – The Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**Sunday 13th April – Palm Sunday**

Please include in our prayers:

- for the stability and unity of Europe so as to bring an end to the war in Ukraine;
- for our plans to appoint a Youth Worker in our Parish;
- for the safety of all who travel over the Easter holiday season;
- for all clergy and lay ministers as they renew their vows at the Cathedral on Maundy Thursday;
- for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we prepare for our APCM on 24th April.

'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!'  
Luke 19.35

### **Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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 Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

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### Collect for Palm Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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 Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

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### News and Events

**The Funeral Service** for the late Mrs Judith Rydings, wife of our former Vicar of 25 years, The Reverend Donald Rydings, takes place at Bierton Crematorium on Thursday 10th April at 2.00pm. If you would like to attend the service, please contact Tricia (01494 863 348 / [tricianeale8@gmail.com](mailto:tricianeale8@gmail.com)).

**Cream Teas.** Thank you to everyone for all your support to the cream tea rota this season. Hopefully you have all received your rota and list of contacts. I am putting a copy of the rota (in large print!) in the church for you to check your dates. Please use your list of contacts for any swaps you may need. As you will see, so many of you have volunteered to help and to make cakes and scones. We are really enormously grateful to you all and hopefully, with us all joining together, this will be a great event for the community and the church. Many thanks once again. Sue O'Farrell.

**Festival of Flowers.** After an absence of many years, we are delighted to announce A Festival of Flowers at St Mary's Church, Ballinger on Saturday 10th (11.00am – 4.30pm) and Sunday 11th May (11.30am – 4.30pm). It's a rare opportunity to appreciate beautiful displays reflecting all aspects of village life created by local societies and clubs. There will be delicious refreshments (tea, coffee, cold drinks and homemade cakes), live music, a lovely church to explore and a chance to rest awhile in the garden. Entry £1 per adult. Children welcome. The weekend will be brought to a close by a special Compline service on Sunday (time tbc but probably 6pm). So don't miss a chance to enjoy this peaceful place nestled in Ballinger and enhanced this weekend by wonderful floral arrangements.

**Breakfast with Talk** at the Great Missenden Baptist Church Hall, 8.30am – 10.00am on Saturday 12th April. Dave Gregory will talk on Divine Gardening, covering his life and work, weaving together science, faith and the environment. £5 on the door, but please book ahead on [gmbc.secr@gmail.com](mailto:gmbc.secr@gmail.com) specifying cooked or continental breakfast.

**Eco Tip for April.** Spending time appreciating God's creation can be an act of worship. Nature can be experienced when we notice an insect, hear a bird sing, feel the earth beneath our hands or even watch a documentary. There is strong evidence that nature is also good for our mental health. Try to immerse yourself in nature every day, even for just a few minutes and give thanks to God for His good creation. Further ideas can be found at [arocha.org.uk/ideas-to-enjoy-nature/](http://arocha.org.uk/ideas-to-enjoy-nature/)

**Easter Morning at the Old Tea Warehouse.** Each year our church family provides an Easter egg for every resident at the Old Tea Warehouse hostel for the homeless in High Wycombe and for those living in the 'move on' accommodation. Staff at the hostel tell us how much these are appreciated by the residents and it's good to know that we can share something of the joy that we feel on Easter morning with others who have so little. We need approximately 60 eggs so it's a challenging prospect.

When you are out and about during Lent, doing your Easter shopping, it would be wonderful if you could buy an extra Easter egg for a resident at the hostel. Please don't spend more than £5. There will be a large plastic box near the church door where you can leave your eggs. Thank you all so much for your generosity. Karen Butler.

**Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No. 1067435):** "War Graves – Local & Worldwide" Talk & Tea fundraising event was greatly enjoyed by a large audience. Chris Leach gave an excellent and informative talk about the extensive work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Then Jill Pateman, our trustee/Committee member, gave a fascinating and very moving account of the life of William Statham. His WW1 War Grave is in the Baptist Cemetery in Trafford Road, with a WW2 (ATS) War Grave and there are two WW2 War Graves in our own cemetery. A huge "Thank You" to everyone who contributed to the success of the afternoon in so many ways. The grand sum of £1,527 was raised for repair grants to the PCC. There is a photograph of the talk on our Church Facebook page!

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Instant Coffee, Pasta & Sauce (Packets), Tinned Chicken, Jam, Long Life Fruit Juice, Shower Gel.

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