Calendar for 27th April to 4th May 2025

Sunday 27th April - The Second Sunday of Easter

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – St Peter and St Paul Readings: Acts 5.27-32; Revelation 1.4-8; John 20.19-end.

10.00am Said Parish Eucharist with hymns – St Peter and St Paul

and live on-line

3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – St Peter and St Paul

Wednesday 30th April

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

Sunday 4th May – The Third Sunday of Easter

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – St Peter and St Paul Readings: Acts 9.1-6; Revelation 5.11-end; John 21.1-19. 9.30am Morning Praise – St Mary's Church, Ballinger

10.00am Sung Parish Eucharist with hymns – St Peter and St Paul

and live on-line

3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – St Peter and St Paul

6.00pm Evening Prayer – St Peter and St Paul

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

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.

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

STAFF AVAILABILITY:

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



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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 27th April – The Second Sunday of Easter

Please include in our prayers:

- for our Catholic brothers and sisters as they mourn the death of Pope Francis;
- for our plans to appoint a Youth Worker in our Parish;
- for peace throughout the world;
- for those discerning whether to stand for PCC membership or as Church Wardens;
- for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we prepare for our APCM on 18 June.

Jesus said to Thomas, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

John 20.29

Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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 God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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News and Events

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and the Meeting of Parishioners. A new date of 18th June has been confirmed for our APCM. Please make a note in your diaries.

Electoral Roll Total Revision. This year, the six yearly total revision of the Parish Electoral Roll is due. All names will be removed from the roll as we start again from scratch. This means that everyone who is baptised and over 16 years of age should re-enrol. The forms are available both online and at the church door and may be placed in the labelled box for collection.

Please register promptly online or use the hard copy form if you wish to be registered on the Roll. The deadline is Wednesday 14th May 2025.

Part-Time Parish Office Vacancy. This post of approximately 10 hours per week is based in the Bromley Room of the Oldham Hall. The remuneration ranges between £14-16 per hour. The position entails a wide range of Parish administrative duties in regular liaison with the Vicar and Churchwarden(s). Further details can be found on the church website and the closing date for applications is Wednesday 30th April.

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.

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-enjoynature/

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No.: 1067435). The Trustees were pleased to give the PCC a grant of £1,039 on Palm Sunday, for repairs to the Lady Chapel roof which has had several rain leaks over the past two years. Warmest thanks to everyone who has given us support with membership, donations and fundraising. Grants of over £188,000 have now been given to the PCC since 2000.

If you're not yet a member, we'd greatly appreciate your support – for just £15 a year! Yellow Membership Forms are near the church door, on the central crossing and available online: www.missendenchurch.org.uk/friends

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