

## Calendar for 26th April to 3rd May

### Sunday 26th April – Easter 4

**8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
Readings: Acts 2.42-end; 1 Peter 2.19-end; John 10.1-10  
**10.00am** Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**  
**11.30am** Matins – **Little Hampden**  
**3.00pm** Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**6.00pm** Choral Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

### Wednesday 29th April

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

### Sunday 3rd May – Easter 5

**8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
Readings: Acts 7.55-end; 1 Peter 2.2-10; John 14.1-14  
**9.30am** Said Eucharist with hymns – **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**  
**10.00am** Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**  
**3.00pm** Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**6.00pm** Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

### Future Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated)

**Saturday 16th May, 10.30am:** FGMPC AGM, coffee/tea from 10.15am. All are welcome.

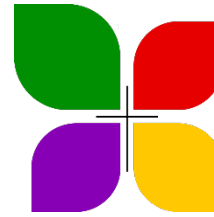
**Thursday 28th May, 10.30-11.30am:** Coffee Morning at St Mary's Church, Ballinger.

### Live-Streaming of our Services

Many of our 10am services are streamed live. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Vicar or Safeguarding Officer (details below).

#### **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**

## **Sunday 26th April – The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Please include in our prayers:

- for our Churchwardens and PCC Members who were elected on the 16th of April;
- for our King, the Royal Family, members of parliament and those in local government;
- for the sick, both at home and in hospital, and their families who are concerned about them;
- for peace throughout the world, especially between Russia and Ukraine and in the Middle East;
- for our confirmation candidates who are to be confirmed on Sunday 14th June.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.  
(Psalm 23.6)

### **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.

### The Vicar writes...

The sheep can't understand the shepherd's words, but they know and trust his voice because of his actions: he is the one who knows them, leads them to new pasture and keeps them safe in their fold. Jesus' disciples and the crowds that followed him did not always understand everything he said, but they learnt to trust his teaching and thought it worth remembering and pondering because they trusted his actions: he is the one who healed and fed them, demonstrating in tangible ways his desire that they might have abundant life.

(Based on John 10.1-10.)

### News and Events

**Cream Teas** are served every Sunday until the end of September from 3pm-5pm in the Church. Come and enjoy home-made cakes and scones, with music this week from The Gillybillies.

### **Sun, Sea and Summer Flower Festival 2026, 27th and 28th June, 12-5pm.**

What does Summer mean for you? Create your own story for our summer flower festival! You can use any combination of flowers, mixed media, mementoes or objects to fit on our boards 60cm by 100cm (the boards we use for the Christmas Tree Festival) for display. Then tell us about your story in a paragraph or two to accompany your display and share what makes it personal to you – we'd love to hear! Please speak to Sue O'Farrell or Wendy Harris, or email [s.g.ofarrell@gmail.com](mailto:s.g.ofarrell@gmail.com) or [wendy.e.harris@btinternet.com](mailto:wendy.e.harris@btinternet.com) if you would like to take part. We will need to know numbers of displays soon after Easter so we can allocate boards around the church.

**We are sad to announce the passing of Barbara Wilson** this week. Barbara and her husband, Derek, were very involved in the local area and the restored porch at St Mary's Church is named after them, The Wilson Grey Porch. If anyone would like details of the Funeral, please contact either Maggi Cameron ([maggi.cameron@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:maggi.cameron@hotmail.co.uk)) or Anne Ellis ([anne.ellis1004@gmail.com](mailto:anne.ellis1004@gmail.com)).

**Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church** (Regd. Charity No.: 1067435). Paula Kitching, one of our Trustee/Committee members, gave another excellent talk in "The Rothschilds – the Story of a Migrant Family" on Saturday 18th April. It was great appreciated by an audience of over 160 people. A delicious afternoon tea, raffle and sale of preserves followed. A very big "Thank You" to everyone who helped and supported our fundraising event in so many ways. The Committee is more grateful... and quite astonished that £3,005 was raised to help with more church repairs this year.

**Lighthouse Missenden (LHM) needs a Data Protection Officer (DPO) – can you help or do you know someone who can?** We are looking for a volunteer to take on the role of DPO, as an advisor to the trustees, to take on the following tasks:

- to inform and advise LHM about their obligations to comply with the UK GDPR and other data protection laws;

- to monitor compliance with the UK GDPR and other data protection laws, and with the LHM data protection policies, including managing internal data protection activities; raising awareness of data protection issues, training volunteers and conducting internal audits where necessary;
- to advise on, and to monitor, data protection impact assessments;
- to cooperate with the ICO; and
- to be the first point of contact for the ICO.

No need to attend Lighthouse week in the summer holidays in person; report to Trustees in writing or in person. Interested? For further information please contact [bettina.gothard@lighthousemissenden.org.uk](mailto:bettina.gothard@lighthousemissenden.org.uk)

Thank you!

**Do you have any Chess Sets, Board Games or Craft Materials – including wool – that you'd be happy to give away?** If the answer to this question is 'Yes!' then the Old Tea Warehouse would be delighted to take them off your hands. Specialist Support Worker, Nicky, is trying to increase the options to residents at the hostel and is looking for any of the above to engage those who live there and to teach crochet. If you could let me know of anything you might be able to offer, I will gladly make arrangements to collect them. Thank you so much. Karen (07879 427 370).

**The next Beyond Difference Event** will be held at Chesham Town Hall on Sunday 10th May at 2.00pm. We will be taking a Journey from Faith to Faith Leaders and talking to three faith learners to compare their perspectives on becoming faith leaders today. For more information, please see our website at <http://www.beyonddifference.org/> or email [info@beyonddifference.org](mailto:info@beyonddifference.org)

**Chiltern Arts Festival** launches on Friday 15th May in Great Missenden, with a visit from the acclaimed vocal ensemble, The Marian Consort, for their concert, The Language of Flowers. Tickets from Chiltern Arts via <https://chilternarts.com>.

**The Wendover Arts Festival** will be held on the last Bank Holiday in May, Saturday 23rd to Monday 25th May 2026. More details can be found at <http://www.wendover-arts-festival.co.uk>



**The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...**  
Deodorant; Rice; Tinned Chicken; Tinned Corned Beef; Tinned Fruit;  
Tinned Vegetables; Toilet Cleaner.  
**All items must be within BBE date, please.**  
[chiltern.foodbank.org.uk](http://chiltern.foodbank.org.uk)

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