

Calendar for 10th to 17th May

Sunday 10th May – Easter 6

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Acts 17.22-31; 1 Peter 3.13-end; John 14.15-21.
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
11.30am Holy Communion – **Little Hampden**
3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**
6.00pm Sung Compline – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 13th May

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

Thursday 14th May

7.00pm Eucharist for Ascension Day – **St Peter and St Paul**

Sunday 17th May – Easter 7 (Sunday After Ascension)

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Acts 1.6-14; 1 Peter 4.12-14, 5.6-11; John 17.1-11.
10.00am Non-Eucharistic Family Service – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**
6.00pm Said Eucharist – **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.

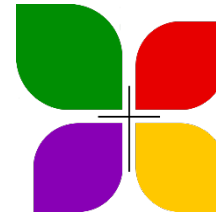
Thursday 28th May, 10.30-11.30am: Coffee Morning at St Mary's Church, Ballinger.

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).

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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 10th May – The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Please include in our prayers:

- for all students preparing for examinations, especially those writing GCSEs and A Levels;
- for all in authority, that they will follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit;
- for the sick, both at home and in hospital, and those who minister to 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 14 June at Wendover.

Jesus said, 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever.'

John 14.15-16.

Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

The Vicar writes...

Jesus repeatedly connects obedience with love, and love with unity – unity with one another and with God. Obeying Jesus' commandments cannot be separated from loving Jesus, and this in turn is bound up with the promise that we will be more and more drawn into the love of God. The promise of the Holy Spirit is therefore not only the guarantee that we may continue to abide in God (and God in us) but is also what makes our obedience possible, and that enables God's love to manifest itself in our daily lives.

(Based on John 14.15-21.)

News and Events

Please pray for our confirmation candidates who will be confirmed by Bishop Dave at St Mary's Church in Wendover, on Sunday 14th June at 5pm: Vickie, Finan, Neil, Alistair, George, Ruby, Mylo, Ross and Ronan.

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 Invisible Folk.

Pentecost Picnic, Sunday 24th May, 3-5pm at Prestwood Common. Join Christians from across HP16 as we come together to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, a time of joy and reflection and sharing God's message with all nations. Everyone is welcome, whatever your age or stage of faith, please bring a picnic and come enjoy time together.

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 or wendy.e.harris@btinternet.com if you would like to take part.

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 a number of Data Protection related tasks.

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

Thank you!

Lighthouse is nearly here (27-31 July 2026), and we'd love you to be part of it. There are lots of difference ways to get involved this year, including some new roles, and we're always especially in need of Lighthouse Keepers. You don't

have to commit to the whole week – even a day or two really helps. If you're not quite sure what might suit you, do have a look at the website.

We're expecting around 750 children this year, and to be able to welcome as many as possible, we do need more helpers across our teams. If you're able to help. Please do sign up – it really does make a difference.

Children's registrations open on Saturday 23rd May at 8am.

For more information or to get involved, please visit www.lighthousemissenden.org.uk

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No.: 1067435). Fundraising for urgent repairs to this historic building, founded in 1133AD.

- **Our AGM** is next Saturday, 16th May, at 10.30am in the Parish Church with coffee/tea available from 10.15am. Everyone is welcome.
- **"An Arts & Craft Country House & Garden in Great Missenden"** by Katharine Hersee. This Talk and Tea fundraising event is on Saturday 13th June at 2.30pm in the Parish Church. Tickets, £15 (inc. Tea), will be available at Samways from 12th May.
- **Preserves Tabletop Sales** by the Library and at Cream Teas last weekend raised £350.
- **Jam Jars.** Thank you for kindly recycling jars. There is a large supply now so only the tiny and small jars are required at present.
- **Preserving/Storage Jars.** I have a good supply of 1lb size Kilner and Le Parfait jars if you'd like some for your summer jams and fruit. Contact Vivienne Davis: 01494 891 312.

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...

Cup-a-soup; Deodorant; Household Cleaner; Jam; Rice; Sponge Puddings; Tinned Chicken; Tinned Corned Beef; Tinned Custard; Tinned Fish; Tinned Potatoes; Tinned Pulses; Toilet Cleaner.

All items must be within BBE date, please.

Please note, you can subscribe to the online version of the Newssheet by contacting the Church Office by email: office@missendenchurch.org.uk