

Newsletter and Notices

Sunday 20th April 2025 Easter Day



Alleluia, Christ is risen!! He is risen indeed, Alleluia!!

8am Holy Communion for Easter Day
10am Parish Communion for Easter Day
with an Easter Egg hunt for children and young people after the service

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service

Collect for Easter Day

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

Gospel for Easter Day, John 21. 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been or Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

A Psalm for today, Psalm 118, 14-23

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

Joyful shouts of salvation sound from the tents of the righteous:

The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds;

the right hand of the Lord raises up; the right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds.'

shall not die, but live and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me sorely, but he has not given me over to death.

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have become my salvation.

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Easter for Young People

Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of

scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities).

Palm Sunday worship and part of the activities in the Lady Chapel (Luke 19. 28-40; 22. 7-23)

This week we're going to be sharing in Easter Day worship and creating an Easter Garden in the Lady Chapel for all to see and enjoy.

- Our <u>Children & Young People</u> website page has loads of new activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus this Easter, including some special Easter printables.
- Easter reflections and art in the Lady Chapel Come and think, enjoy and praise!
- We're delighted to be able to **offer an Easter Egg hunt** for the children and young people of St Michael's in the churchyard after the 10am service this Easter Day!

Have you enjoyed our choral music this Holy Week? If your child is 7 or over and interested in joining, please contact Nathan Collins (stmichaelsbsdom@gmail.com) We will also be starting choral and organ scholarships for our young people.

Details of all services and events are available on the <u>Calendar</u> page on our website.

Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon. An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.

This Easter Day, 20th April, we'll celebrate Holy Communion at 8am and 10am, with an Easter egg hunt after the 10am service. Throughout Easter week do take the opportunity to come and see our Easter flowers and perhaps place a prayer at the cross.

Music Setting and Sung Responses for Easter Day at **10am –** If you're not familiar with the Noel Rawsthorne Festive Eucharist setting, you might be interested in this link to a stream of a local church service (timings for each item are on our website's Choir page).

Holy Communion, Wednesday 23rd April, 10am - A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service are held in the WCC.



Quiet Days in Albury, next on Thursday 24th April – Places are limited at these days of reflection and contemplation in June's home; contact the Office for more information.

Tiny Tots, Thursdays from 12:30-2/2:30pm - Held weekly in the Windhill Churches Centre. Tiny Tots is for parents/carers and babies/preschoolers in term time; and older children are very welcome during inset days and the school holidays. We start with playtime and tea/coffee, then songs, stories, activities and a prayer. There's easy buggy access and baby change facilities, and you're welcome to bring a packed lunch if you like. It's also ok to be late. we understand! We look forward to welcoming you soon!

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 26^h April, 9:30-10am – All welcome.

Forthcoming 8am services - We'll celebrate Holy Communion at 8am next on Easter Day, then on Sunday 4th May and 1st June.

TLC Tuesdays, next meeting Tuesday 6th May in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm – Join tea and talk and a regular short presentation on wide ranging interests. Next month, Roy Edwards will be talking to us about First Aid in the Home: 'Something is better than nothing'

Our craft group meets on alternate Mondays in the WCC, 10am - 12noon - Al welcome! We might bring along our own current crafting hobby and sometimes one of the group shares a craft. We next meet on **Monday 12th May.**

Forthcoming Services using the Book of Common Prayer (1662) – 18th May, 11:15am: Eastertide Prayer Book Communion; 29th May, 7:30pm: Ascension Day Sung Prayer Book Communion; 22nd June 6pm: Choral Evensong for St Alban's Day.

Tower Tours, Sunday 18th May, 1:30-3pm - £5 for adults, free for children. Book at bells@saintmichaelweb.org.uk or 07773 572135.

APCM, 25th May after 10am service - The Electoral Roll is due to be renewed this year ending on 28th April, if you'd like to join our electoral roll and/or nominate for PCC election. The old Roll will be discarded and everyone who wishes to be on the new Roll must fill in an application form, available in church (or via the newsletter and notices page on the website, then print it or email it to the Parish Office).

TLC Club invites you to join them on their annual Mystery Outing on Tuesday afternoon 3rd June. The cost is £30 which covers coach travel and savoury/sweet scone cream tea at our destination. The pick up point is the back of Sainsburys Thorley at 1pm and then Windhill at 1:15pm. I should mention that, once we arrive, there is a short walk from the coach and so do bear this in mind when booking: bring your stick or scooter! This is always a lovely event and so do see me asap for a ticket. Rosemary Thomson.

HBW 2025, 'Once upon a time...', Monday 4th - Friday 8th August - Registration now open for both children and volunteers for this year's event; sign up via the HBW website.

Postage stamps and foreign currency collections for charity – Save your used stamps for the bucket in the Publicity Area. Stamps must have a one inch paper envelope border, or they can't be used! The Charities Support Group has an ongoing collection of currency for Mary's Meals. A further amount can be sent once we have 2kg of currency.

Final Sunday: Lent Red Bucket Appeal from the Charities Support Group - The proceeds will be added to the money raised through the Tuesday Lent Lunches this year. We will split the Lent money between Supporting Dalit Children and Holy Trinity Night Shelter. Further information about the charities and details of online donations to CSG can be found on our website page.

Are you interested in joining a home group? Perhaps you'd like to find out about what they can offer? Contact Derwyn in the first instance if you'd like to know more.

Archivist – We're looking for someone to take on the church archiving. It is an interesting, important and creative role, which you can make your own, and do in your own time. Please see Gill for details.

PRAYER. COUNSEL AND SUPPORT

If parishioners would value the prayers, counsel and support of the church, in time of need for themselves or others on their hearts, please do reach out to the ministry team. Do speak to us in person at church services and events, or use contact details on the next page. Thank you.

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