



**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, Matthew 28. 1-10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

An anthem for Easter Day

This Joyful Eastertide Charles Wood (1866-1926), Text, George R. Woodward (1848-1934)
This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!

My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.
*Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain; but now is Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.*
My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber,
till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.
Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river:
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.

Details of all services and events are available on the [Calendar](#) page on our website.
Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

A Psalm for today, Psalm 118. 1-2, 14-24

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!
Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

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

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

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

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

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us 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). 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.



Palm Sunday worship and part of the activities in the Lady Chapel (Matthew 21. 1-11).

- Our [Children & Young People 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!
- **Admire St Michael's School Children's beautiful display** for Easter at the back of the church – children from every year group have thought hard about the Easter message.



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



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, 5th 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 today's Noel Rawsthorne Festive Eucharist setting, the Sidespeople have melody versions available for worshippers. If you'd be helped by having some music for these, do ask for a score when you pick up your service books. Alternatively [visit our website to hear a sung version](#).

Forthcoming 8am services – We'll celebrate Holy Communion at 8am **this Easter Day**, then **19th April, 3rd and 31st May**.

TLC Tuesdays, next meeting on Tuesday 7th April in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm Join tea and talk and a regular short presentation on wide-ranging interests. This month we are delighted to welcome Mary Stock and her woodwind group.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 8th April, 10am – Refreshments afterwards in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Thursdays from 12:30-2/2:30pm, WCC – For parents/carers and babies/preschoolers in term time; plus **older children are welcome these school holidays and there will be an Easter celebration this week**. Playtime, tea/coffee, songs, stories, activities and a prayer. Buggy access and baby change available, and you're welcome to bring a packed lunch if you like. It's also ok to be late, we understand!

The Charities Support Group would welcome new members If you're interested in helping support charities through events, talks and distributing the funds at St Michael's Church then get do in touch with CSG or Derwyn. Our next meeting is **9th April at 7.30pm in the WCC**. Val Ashwood (Chair).

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 11th April, 9:30-10am – All welcome.

A very special service: with three baptisms and a wedding anniversary celebration, next Sunday 12th April at 10am. There will be a small choir of sopranos and altos. If you would like to be part of this choir as a 'one-off', you would be very welcome. You will not have to wear choir robes and there will be no procession. There will be a short rehearsal on Friday 10th April in the church at 7:30pm (until 8:15pm approx) and then from 9:30am on Sunday morning. The anthem for the service is 'Lord, I have Heard' by Paul Burrell. This is fairly simple to learn and copies are available at the back of the church.

Parish Register for March

We remember in our prayers the family of Ernest Norton whose funeral took place last month.



Our craft group meets on alternate Mondays in the WCC, 10am - 12noon. Next on Monday 13th April – All welcome! We might bring along our own current crafting hobby and sometimes one of the group shares a craft.

Healing Prayers – are offered in the Lady Chapel after worship on fourth Sundays each month, **next on Sunday 26th April**.

Quiet Days in Albury, next on Thursday 30th April – Days of reflection and contemplation in June's home; contact the Office for more information.

APCM, 31st May after 10am service – The Electoral Roll revision this year starts on 5th April and ends on 3rd May, if you'd like to join our electoral roll. If you'd like to be considering coming onto, or returning to the Parochial Church Council (PCC), or offering service as a Churchwarden or Deanery Synod Representative, do speak to one of the current PCC, or Wardens' Team, or the Vicar. Nomination forms are in the Publicity Area. Thank you.

HBW 2026, 'Rescue!', Monday 3rd - Friday 7th August – Head over to the [HBW website](#) to secure your place for this year's festival event NOW! And visit our [website](#) for a sneak video preview of all the fun that happens each year! Registration for volunteers also live.

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.

Lent Red Bucket Appeal from the Charities Support Group – We'll add this to the money raised through the Lent lunches and split the amount between Riding Lights and Embrace the Middle East: Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza. Donations can be made into the red bucket or on the card machine using the button 'Lent Appeal'. More information about the charities and donating through BACS is on our [website](#), on noticeboards and leaflets.

Treasurer Role - Church Finance Administration – Graziana, our long-serving Treasurer is standing down from 30th June 2026, after 11 years in post. If you have accountancy/bookkeeping/finance administration skills, could you be part of a team of people who can help in some way with the work of our Finance operation? Sharing the tasks seems a more realistic plan than expecting one person to take everything on. If you might contribute to this, please speak to Claire Conquest, Peter Rixson or the Vicar, to let us know and find out more. Thank you.

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 other page. Thank you.

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