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**Sunday** **13th April 2025 Palm Sunday**

**Welcome** **to Buckingham Parish Church.**

**If you are new here, this section is for you!**

**Children and Youth:** We have great provision for children and youth. Scan QR code below for details.

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**Sermons:** These are recorded and available through our website and BPC app. See the QR code above.

**Streaming:** All our services are livestreamed and available to watch on our YouTube channel. See the QR Code above. If you do not wish to be included, please sit at the rear of the church or in the side aisles.

**Giving:** Please use a standing order (forms at the back of church) or the QR code above. We don’t take offerings during services, but you can make donations via ChurchSuite, the card reader at the back of the church or put cash into the wall box by the font.

**Sunday 13th April**

**Themes and Readings**

**9.00am:** He humbled himself and became to death - even death on a cross.

Phil 2: 5-11 pg 1179; Luke 23: 26-49 pg 1060

**Preacher**: Rev. Will Pearson-Gee

**11.00am** **and 6.00pm: The Passion – The crucifixion**

Luke 23: 26-49 pg 1060 **Preacher:** Rev.Max Wigley

***Prayer Ministry:*** Available at all Sunday services in the Prayer Chapel. Receiving prayer brings the Lord’s healing and wholeness.

***Pray through the week* for** those who mourn or are unwell, that they may be comforted by God’s presence.

**The Week Ahead:**

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| Mon 14th April | 2.00pm - 4.00pm | Tea and Chat, at The Centre, Verney Close |
| 7.30pm – 8.00pm | Compline |
| Tue 15th April | 10.00am – 12 noon | Coffee and Company, at  The Centre, Verney Close |
| 12 Noon | Community Lunch |
| 7.30pm – 8.00pm | Compline |
| Wed 16th April | 10.00am | Holy Communion |
| 7.30pm – 8.00pm | Compline |
| Thurs 17th April  Maundy Thursday | 10.00am – 12 noon | Coffee and Company, at  The Centre, Verney Close |
| 7:30pm – 8:30pm | Maundy Thursday – Stripping of the altar flowed by vigil |
| Friday 18th April  Good Friday | 10:15am | Churches Together Service |
| 10:45am | Walk of Witness |
| 11am | Service at the Old Gaol |
| 2pm | Good Friday Reflections |
| 7.00pm - 7.30pm | Prayer meeting on Zoom: contact Paul Wallace on [*bpcprayermeeting@protonmail.com*](mailto:bpcprayermeeting@protonmail.com)for details. |
| Sat 19th April |  | Coffee Service Café |
| Sun 20th April  Easter Sunday | **Easter Sunday** | |
| 7.00am | ‘Sunrise’ Service |
| 9.00am | Traditional Holy Communion Service |
| 11.00am | All Together Service with Holy Communion |
| 6.00pm | Easter Alive with Holy Communion and baptisms |

**Newcomers:** Please fill in a Welcome Card if you are new and want to be a part of the church family. We would love to invite you to the next afternoon tea where you will meet members of our staff team and church family. Please contact Sue Fox at [*parector@bpchurch.uk*](mailto:parector@bpchurch.uk) for details.

**Focus 2025:** As a church family this summer we will be heading to Newark Showground 24th – 27th July for 4 days of worship, fellowship and fun! For more information, and to book, please visit *bpchurch.uk/focus*

**Women’s Discussion Dinners:** The next meeting is on Wednesday evening, 16th April. The subject for discussion, ‘The Beauty That Never Fades’. Please check your diary and respond to the invitation you will have received.

**Women’s Day time Book Club.** As we have all heard much about the work and sacrifice of Mother Teresa, we are currently reading the book on her life by Kathryn Spink. It is available from Amazon and eBay for about £4. We will be reviewing the book on June 5th at Flo Thorntons home. Please come along.

**Alpha:** We are looking for someone to help run the next Alpha course after Easter. Alpha is a great opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a welcoming and open environment. If you are interested in being involved or would like to find out more, please contact Jo Wigley for further details.

**Electoral Roll:** This year, the Electoral Roll will be completely renewed, so all members must reapply before the Sunday 20th April deadline. To stay on the Roll, please complete the online form at *www.bpchurch.uk/voting* or use a paper form available at the back of the Church. Full details at [*www.bpchurch.uk/voting*](http://www.bpchurch.uk/voting).

**Volunteers needed:** As we prepare to celebrate Holy Week and Easter, we still need volunteers to help at Easter Alive, particularly for the kitchen team and distribution. Your support is much appreciated. Please add your names to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church or contact the office.

**Holiday Club** returns 12th–15th August, and we still need more leaders and helpers so we can welcome more children. Volunteer by emailing *abi.holidayclub@gmail.com.* Please pray for the team and for the children attending. Also, we’ve booked The Centre, Verney Close from 9:00–10:30am every 4th Saturday of the month for a time of prayer; the next one is on 26th April. Join us for all or part of the time.

**Easter Lilies:** You are invited to sponsor a lily for our Easter displays. A single stem will cost £5. Please add your name to the list at the back of church. Susan Mileham will be delighted to receive your contribution at any time.

**Maundy Thursday Vigil:** A sign-up sheet for the Vigil after the Stripping the Altar service is available at the back of the church. The Vigil would last from 8.30pm – 10.00pm in 30 min slots (people can of course stay longer and more than one person can be there at any given time).

**May Families’ Camp-Out:** Save the date for a night under canvas at Stampwell Farm Saturday 31st May to Sunday 1st June. Visit bpchurch.uk/camping (or speak to Will).

**Coffee and Company at the Centre:** We need two volunteers once a month on Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12 noon to serve tea and coffee, and chat with visitors. For more information phone Gill Croxton 01280 815100

**Sponsoring Ali:** I’m running a 100km alpine ultramarathon in June, climbing 6,000m, to support Bridge of Hope Children’s Ministry in Uganda. To donate, scan the QR code or speak to me in person. Thank you! – Ali

**Deanery Lent Evensongs:** April 15th at Padbury at 6.00pm.

**Useful contact details:**

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Prayer Chain: If you need or know of someone who needs prayer,

Please call Gill Croxton who heads up the Prayer Chain *(815100)*

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**Full-service information:** [***www.bpchurch.uk/services***](http://www.bpchurch.uk/services)

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**Notice Sheet:** If you would like to submit an item for the notice sheet, please email the office: [*office@bpchurch.uk*](mailto:office@bpchurch.uk) by 6pm on Wednesday. Any items received after this time will be listed in the following week’s notice sheet.