



Holy Week (Sunday 29th March-Sunday 5th April)

This Sunday we continue the first century tradition of celebrating Jesus triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, and begin our observance of Holy Week and Easter. Please find below our Holy Week Services at Dunsfold and Hascombe.

29th March, 10am Palm Sunday, Dunsfold

1st April, 9.30am Our Lady of Walsingham Holy Communion, Dunsfold

2nd April, 7pm Maundy Thursday, Hascombe

3rd April, Good Friday 2-3pm An hour at the cross, Dunsfold

5th April, 10am Easter Sunday, Dunsfold

The Collect

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please remember in your prayers

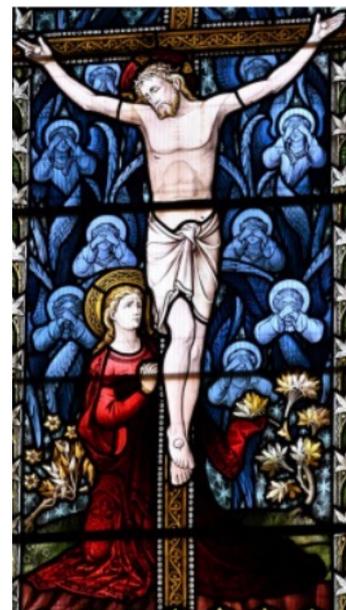
The Sick: Marilyn Bailey, Sandra Baxter-Brown, Ginny Fraser, Jacquie Griffiths, Sheila Jones, Cindy Kennedy, Stacey Medalyer, Christine Miles, Dean Perkins, Jacky Williams and Hazel Wiltshire.

Reclaim Easter

There is a disconnect in wider society regarding the true meaning of Easter. Many people don't realise it's a religious festival or at least a holiday with religious roots.

There is something magical about daffodils, the Easter bunny and eggs. We do all this, but there is no mention of Jesus.

This Easter, let's embrace the merriment of Easter egg hunts with children and grandchildren. Celebrate with joy, but also take time to reflect and give thanks for the true meaning of Easter. Remember the sacrifice, death on the cross and resurrection of the lamb of God. Let's reclaim Easter's true essence and share the Good News. At St Mary & All Saints, we'll celebrate Holy Week, reclaim Easter and look forward to welcoming you.



Fourth form Divinity Test

If hoarding were an offence, my parents would be guilty as charged. I was recently sent into my parents' loft on an expedition. After offering a short prayer, I ventured into the jungle of chaos. The dust and darkness welcomed me into a retro wonderland of clutter. If anyone needs a Betamax video tape, I have plenty. Your Hostess trolley needs replacing? I am sure that we can agree a price.

What I did find of interest were my old school books. As I flicked through my religious studies exercise book, it reminded me that at my school, the subject was called Divinity.

Mr Philips, my Divinity teacher, recorded that my observations regarding the parable of the Good Samaritan weren't necessarily reflective of Jesus intended message. Although there was much less red pen and I fared much better in my responses regarding Easter. As it is Holy Week, I thought that I could challenge the Pews News readership with fourth form Easter questions. Do not worry, I won't be marking your homework. Quiet...Examination in progress...

- 1) What are the three specific days that make up the Easter Triduum?
- 2) What does Jesus' humility during His entry into Jerusalem teach us about leadership and power?
- 3) Maundy Thursday: The word Maundy comes from the Latin mandatum. What mandate or commandment is this referring to?
- 4). Why did Jesus choose to wash His disciples' feet, and what does that say about serving others?
- 5) What can we learn from Jesus' prayers and struggle in the Garden of Gethsemane?
- 6) What does the story of Peter's three denials teach about human frailty and the possibility of redemption?
- 7) Good Friday: Why is this day referred to as Good in English, despite it commemorating a somber event?
- 8) How does the crucifixion lead to transformation rather than defeat?

Personal Reflections

- 1) Where do you see yourself in the Holy Week story among the faithful, the doubters, or the crowd?
- 2) What does sacrifice mean in your life?
- 3) Are there areas where you need to let go, forgive, or trust more deeply?
- 4) How does Jesus' response to betrayal and suffering challenge the way we handle hardship?

If you failed to answer the questions above, please stop by the headmaster's door, or alternatively come to one of our Holy Week services. Wishing you a thoughtful, peaceful and meaningful Holy Week.



PLEASE DONATE FOR OUR EASTER LILIES



For our Easter Day service on April 5, our wonderful flower ladies will again be decorating the church with beautiful white Easter lilies.

As usual you have the chance to make a donation towards the cost of the lilies and write the name of your loved ones departed in a special Easter remembrance book that is situated on the font at the back of church. Next to the book are some brown envelopes for you to put your donations in and then please post the envelope in the wall safe for collection. Thank you.