



The Parish of
**Swindon
New Town**

MESSENGER

Sunday 31st March 2024 Easter Sunday

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Easter Monday

S. Mark - 9.30am Morning Prayer
S. Mark - 10am Mass

Easter Tuesday

S. Saviour - 9.30am Morning Prayer
S. Saviour - 10am Mass

Easter Wednesday

S. Mark - 9.30am Morning Prayer
S. Mark - 10am Mass

Easter Thursday

S. Luke - 9.30am Morning Prayer
S. Luke - 10am Mass
S. Saviour - 4.30pm Young Peoples Singing Group

Easter Friday

S. Luke - 9.30am Morning Prayer
S. Luke - 10am Mass

Easter Saturday

S. Mark - 10am Mass
S. Mark - 10.30am Adult Confirmation Group
S. Luke - 4.30pm Young Peoples Confirmation Group
S. Luke - 6pm Vigil Mass with readings and prayers
in Konkani

**Divine Mercy Sunday
7th April**

S. Mark - 8am Morning Prayer
S. Saviour - 9am Sung Mass
S. Mark - 10.30am Sung Mass
S. Luke - 11am Sung Mass
S. Mark - 6pm Evening Prayer

Happy Easter! Christ is truly risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The clergy and wardens wish you all a joyful celebration of this the greatest of all feasts, the holiest day of the Christian year. May you and those you love know the joy and new life of the risen Lord.

BAPTISM - At S. Luke's today, we will welcome into the life of the Church Zaniyah Bishop, who is to be baptized during the Mass. Please pray for Zaniyah, her family and her Godparents.

THANK YOU to everyone who has so worked to prepare for our celebrations of the Triduum and Easter. Special thanks to Linda for all the work in the office, to Vicki and Tom for their work on the children's liturgy, to our church musicians, especially Katrine, Felicity and Andrea, our sacristans, servers and all who have provided flowers and cleaned and prepared our churches. Many thanks to you all!

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES - Please note the changes to Mass times for the Easter Octave. Aside from this evening, Evening Prayer will be said privately this week.

EUCCHARISTIC SAINTS - Our next talk in our Year of the Eucharist series will be at S. Mark's on Wednesday 10 April after the 7pm Mass. Fr Nathan Mulcock will be talking to us about the Eucharist in the theology of a great saint of the Eastern Church, S. Maxmus the Confessor. Please do come and invite others.

CONFIRMATIONS - Please pray for those preparing for confirmation or baptism and confirmation at this time. For Hamid, Parham, Parisa, Peter, Alex, Catriona Joan, Charles, Sujil, Sabitha and Kai. Bishop Paul will be with us at S. Mark's for our Patronal Festival at 7pm on Thursday 25 April to administer the sacrament of confirmation. Please make sure the date is firmly in your diary!

THE ANNUNCIATION - On Monday 8 April, there will be a Sung Mass at S. Mark's at 7.30pm for the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. This will be followed by drinks and refreshments in the hall.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION - Notices advertising the Revision have been posted in our churches. The revision takes place between 6th April and 28th April. If you are Baptised, over the age of 16 and if you reside, or habitually worship, in the Parish, you can join the roll which will allow you to attend the APCM (which takes place on Thursday 23rd May) and if you wish, to stand for election to the various church councils. If you would like to join the roll or have changed your contact details during the year, please let us know, Pat Mortimer (SM), Linda McEntee (SS) or John Bishop (SL).

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with Lent Lunches. A total of £697.40 was raised. This is to be split between Christian Aid and CAFOD

CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP - Our next contemplative prayer will be on Sunday 14th April at 4.30pm at S. Saviour's.

BANNERS - In September, for our Eucharistic Festival in September, which will include a Eucharistic Procession through our town, we'd love to have banners made for our churches, if we can raise the funds through donations. If you'd like to contribute to the cost of banners being made - which is likely be a couple of thousand pounds for each church - please speak to the wardens or clergy.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE - Our parish pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place from Monday 29 July to Friday 2 August. The total cost of the pilgrimage, including transport by coach, will be £460.50; the price will fall slightly if more people sign up. Those who have booked need to pay a non-refundable deposit of £150 by Thursday, 4 April and complete and return the form that was sent out. There are still places left, so if you'd like to come, please speak to the clergy for details.

TODAY WE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DEPARTED

Joana Afonso, Gail Chilcott, Ian Miles

YEAR'S MIND

[1st April] Jane Easthope, Raymond Hunt, Joyce Edith Legg, Ivy Carvell
[2] Ellen Peddle, Frank Edward Shurmer, Thomas Stickler
[3] Irene Carter [4] Pat Smith [6] Bill Lewis

FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Norman Fraser Taylor . (SL)

EASTER EGGS are given in memory of Roy Pearce R.I.P. (SM)

FOR YOUR WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS - Richard & Maddie Charman, John Wilson, Alison Gray, Sue Davis, Kylie Lawson, Lynn Thrussell, Julia Carr, Margaret Stevenson, Peter Gembarski, Ted Lane, Ann McIntire, Katie Joseph Kerry Whitby, Brian Poat, Jin Fuzeland, Lourenco Gonsalves, Renelle Nunes, Daisy Lawrence, Brian Skeete

HOME COMMUNICANTS - Muriel Avenell, Betty Mitchell, Owen Shellard, Maurice Lidgeley, Alfred, Beryl & Les Howell,

PASTORAL CARE - Please do feel free to call the clergy if there is anything they can do to support you or others you know with any pastoral or spiritual needs.

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For this week's readings see <https://universalis.com/20240331mass.htm>

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Acts 4:32-35; Ps 117; 1John5:1-6; John 20:19-31

PARISH OFFICE - Contact Linda McEntee Tel: 01793 538220

Mon and Thurs 9am - 1pm office@psnt.uk

PLANNED GIVING- For those who make their offering by weekly envelopes, new boxed sets of envelopes for 2024 are available. If you are not part of the Planned Giving scheme and would like to have a boxed set of envelopes, please contact John Bishop at the email below.

Alternatively if you would prefer to make your offering by bank transfer, our banking details are:

Parish of Swindon New Town PCC,

Sort code 40-52-40,

Account number 00024962. (Please use S.Mark, S.Saviour or S.Luke as your reference or say what the payment is for, if not for planned giving)

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