



The Parish of
**Swindon
New Town**

MESSENGER

**Sunday 29th March 2026
Palm Sunday**

HOLY WEEK IN THE PARISH

**Monday
Of Holy Week**

S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Mark - 1-4pm Welcome Space
S. Mark - 6pm Confessions
S. Mark - 6.30pm Evening Prayer
S. Mark - 7pm Mass

**Tuesday
Of Holy Week**

S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Luke - 1-3pm Welcome Space and Free Shop
S. Luke - 6pm Confessions
S. Luke - 6.30pm Evening Prayer
S. Luke - 7pm Mass

**Wednesday
Of Holy Week**

S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Saviour - 6pm Confessions
S. Saviour - 6.30pm Evening Prayer
S. Saviour - 7pm Mass

**Thursday
Maundy Thursday**

S. Mark - 8.45am Morning Prayer
S. Luke - 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
S. Mark - 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Friday
Good Friday**

S. Mark - 9am Morning Prayer
S. Saviour - 10am Good Friday Messy Church
S. Luke - 3pm Liturgy of the Passion
S. Mark - 3pm Liturgy of the Passion
S. Saviour - 5pm Liturgy of the Passion

**Saturday
Holy Saturday**

S. Mark - 9am Morning Prayer
S. Luke - 8.30pm Easter Vigil
S. Luke - 8.30pm Easter Vigil

**Sunday 5th April
EASTER SUNDAY**

S. Mark - 7.30am Said Mass
S. Mark - 8am Morning Prayer
S. Saviour - 9am Sung Mass
S. Mark - 10.30am Sung Mass
S. Luke - 11am Sung Mass

THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM - Fr Toby writes: *“These three sacred days, beginning with the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Thursday and culminating in our celebration of Our Lord’s Resurrection, are the most holy days of the church year. They will be marked in this parish with rich liturgy, scripture, music and prayer. Coming to the church for the Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the beautiful Easter Vigil is something all Christians should try to do and is a wonderful way of deepening our faith. Please try to make coming to these celebrations a priority and invite others too.”*

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES - In place of our usual Mass times, this week we will have Evening Prayer at 6.30pm and then Mass with a meditation at 7pm on Monday at S. Mark’s, Tuesday at S. Luke’s and Wednesday at S. Saviour’s. A priest will be available to hear confessions from 6pm. If you'd like to arrange another time to make your confession this week, please contact Fr Adam fr.adam@psnt.uk or Fr Toby fr.toby@psnt.uk

We’ll then enter the most sacred days of the church year, the Paschal Triduum with the following services:

Maundy Thursday - Mass of the Lord’s Supper
7.30pm at S. Mark’s and S. Luke’s.

Good Friday
Messy Church for children and young people
10am at S. Saviour’s

Liturgy of the Passion
3pm at S. Mark’s and S. Luke’s, 5pm at S. Saviour’s

Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil
8.30pm at S. Mark’s and S. Luke’s.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - are this evening at 5pm at S. Saviour’s.

GOOD FRIDAY MESSY CHURCH - There will be a special Messy Church this Friday from 10am at S. Saviour's. Everyone is welcome. There will be children's Stations of the Cross, craft activities, hot cross buns and hot drinks. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to know more, please speak to Tom (tom@psnt.uk).

PAT LANE RIP - Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pat Lane who has died. Pat worshipped at S. Mark's for many decades, having first found the church as a teenager, and she will be greatly missed. Jesu, mercy; Mary, pray.

CAN YOU HELP? There will be lots to do this week getting our churches ready for our celebration of Easter. If you can help with this, please do speak to the wardens or the clergy.

If you would like to make a donation towards Easter flowers please speak to Tom or Carole at S. Mark's, Caroline at S. Saviour's or Margaret at S. Luke's. S. Mark's will be decorating the church on Saturday 4th April from 10am. Anyone is welcome to come and help.

TODDLER GROUP – will be taking a two week break for Easter. We will be back 13th April, at S. Mark's 9-10.30am. If you wish to know more, please contact Tom tom@psnt.uk

YOUTH GROUP – will also be taking a break for Easter. We will be back Friday 17th April, at S. Saviour's 7.30-9pm. If you wish to know more, please contact Tom tom@psnt.uk

S. MARK'S DAY - Advanced notice for your dairies... We'll be keeping S. Mark's Day with a Sung Patronal Festival Mass at 12 noon on Saturday 25 April, followed by a Parish lunch. Fr Harri Williams SSC, the Principal of St Stephen's House and former Vicar of Walsingham, will be our guest preacher.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION - Notices advertising the revision have been posted in our churches. The revision takes place between 11th April and 26th April. If you are Baptised and over the age of 16 and if you live, or worship, in the Parish, you can join the roll which will allow you to attend the APCM (which takes place on Tuesday 19th 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 and get an application form from, Greta Davies (SM), Linda McEntee (SS), John Bishop or Lynn Trigg (SL).

TODAY WE PRAY FOR

RECENTLY DEPARTED

Dolores Alves Ribeiro, David Wilkinson, Gary Allman, Caroline Summer, Susan Timbury, Antonette Monteiro, Evelyn Bartlett, Jane Carter, Pat Lane, Michael Stevens, Charlie Bishop

YEAR'S MIND

[29] Alba Southby [30] Betty Lewis, Joyce Constance Buckland

[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

FOR YOUR WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS - Richard & Maddie Charman, John Wilson, Sue Davis, Margaret Stevenson, Chris Ockwell, Roy Norton, Wagner Lisboa, Joe Hicks, Katie Joseph, Sarah Druett, Renelle Nunes, Moncy Miranda, Moina Clement, Lourenco Gonsalves, Kayleigh Winbow, Grace King, Barbara Sheppard, Evelyn Bartlett, Lynn Thrussell, Kylie Lawson, Sally Hobbs, Carole New, Beth Wells, James, Zara Pemberton
HOME COMMUNICANTS - Muriel Avenell, Betty Mitchell, Owen Shellard, Maurice Lidgeley, Beryl & Les Howell, Cynthia Strudwick,

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/20260329/mass.htm>

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Acts 10:34,37-43; Ps 117; Col 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

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PLANNED GIVING- For those who make their offering by weekly envelopes, boxed sets of envelopes for **2026** are available. If you would like to have a boxed set of envelopes, please contact John Bishop.

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) John Bishop treasurer@psnt.uk