

Newsheet 6th April 2025 (Lent 5)

Welcome to our service at St Paul's Egham Hythe, and especially if you are visiting or here for the first time. Do stay for refreshments and then for our Annual Parochial Church Meeting after the service.



Offering towards the work of St Paul's: If you can make a donation to the church, we have a card reader and an offering plate at the back of church, or you can scan the QR code on this sheet. To find out more about giving regularly through the parish giving scheme see our website.



Hymns for Sunday 6th April: 195 From heaven you came, 109 Come and see, 411 Lord Jesus Christ, 448 Meekness and majesty

Collect: Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Reading: John 12: 1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus's feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

What's on this week

Sunday 6th April 10am	Holy Communion in church (<i>streamed to YouTube and zoom</i>).
11.30am	<i>followed by</i> Annual Parochial Church Meeting (all welcome)
Monday 7.45pm	Lent Group in church
Tuesday 9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 12 noon	Lent Group at St Mary's Thorpe
Thursday	School Holidays – no Stepping Stones or Tea and chat (back on 1 st May)
Saturday	No Open Space today
Sunday 13th 10am	Palm Sunday Holy Communion with dramatic reading of Passion.

Contact office@speh.org.uk for zoom joining codes and to sign up for weekly email updates

APCM: The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is after our service today, Sunday 6th April. Do come along. The new Electoral Roll is now closed until after the meeting, and available to view (you can still complete a form, to be added after the meeting, but you will not be eligible to vote). The Annual Report and Accounts and other paperwork is on the church website and there are a small number of copies at the back of church. Nomination forms for PCC members are available at the back.

For prayer this week

- For those who live in Roundway, Rowan Avenue, Simmons Place
- For Myanmar and Thailand and all affected by the earthquakes.
- For those who are ill and have asked for prayer.
- We pray for those who mourn, including the family of Gary Nelson, and at their year's mind we remember Peter Woodcock, Ellen Emmett, Elsie Tidbury.
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Holy Week and Easter at St Paul's:

St Paul's Church
Egham Hythe

Holy Week

Palm Sunday 13th April 2025
10am Communion Service with Passion Drama

Maundy Thursday
17th April 2025
7.30pm Zoom Service
Join us in our Zoom "Upper Room"
to reflect on the Last Supper
details from office@speh.org.uk

Good Friday 18th April
Reflections at the Cross @ 2-3pm

Holy Saturday 19th April
Easter Fire @ 7.30pm

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Do come to the special services.

Palm Sunday 10am service on 13th April includes the dramatic reading of the Passion story.

Maundy Thursday worship on 17th April is an online service at 7.30pm, with on-line vigil after.

Come along to our special Zoom Upper Room. For more details and the zoom code (our usual zoom room) please email office@speh.org.uk.

Good Friday is a time to sit at the foot of the cross to stay with Jesus and bring our thoughts and prayers as we remember his death given for us. A quiet space between 2pm and 3pm.

On **Holy Saturday** our popular Easter Fire is a great space for all ages – fire building and marshmallow toasting from 7.00pm with a short service around the font at 7.30pm. There's candles, musical instruments, beanbags and baptism reminders – with Easter celebration refreshments for everyone afterwards!

Easter Sunday celebration Communion is at 10am on 20th April **Alleluia, Christ is risen!**

Other Dates to note: Some of our programmes are different because of the Easter events and school holidays. Please check the website for updates - and sign up for emails by contacting the office.

- **Stepping Stones and Tea and Chat** return on Thursday 1st May.
- **8th May is the VE Day anniversary** and we'd love to have a special tea and chat that afternoon that we can invite others along to – could you help with this? Talk to the clergy.
- **Godly Play:** Our next session is at 10am on Sunday 11th May – for children from 4-14.
- **Christian Aid walk and tea:** Sunday 18th May. If you can help with the tea please talk to Mary Halls.

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