

Making Disciples who make Jesus known

HEADLINE NEWS!

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

<i>Palm Sunday</i> 24th March	9.00am Holy Communion at St John's 10.30am All Age Holy Communion at St John's 10.30am All Age Worship at St Luke's
<i>Monday 25th -</i> <i>Wednesday 27th</i>	7.00pm Holy Week Reflection at St Luke's
<i>Maundy Thursday</i> 28th March	7.00pm Holy Week Reflection at St Luke's 7.45pm Holy Communion at St Luke's
<i>Good Friday</i> 29th March	2.00pm An Hour at The Cross at St John's 6.30pm Good Friday Choral Worship at St John's
<i>Easter Sunday</i> 31st March	6.15am Sunrise Service at St John's 9.00am Holy Communion at St John's 10.30am All Age Holy Communion at St Luke's 10.30am All Age Holy Communion at St John's

St John's Church, Bilton Lane, HG1 3DT

St Luke's Church, Franklin Square, HG1 5DT

Visit our website
www.stjohnsandstlukes.org.uk
for more information



WHAT IS ALPHA? Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a

different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe and everyone's welcome. It runs in cafes, churches, homes, universities—you name it. No two Alphas look the same but generally they have three key things in common: food, a talk and good conversation.

WHO IS ALPHA FOR? For anyone wanting to find out more about Christian faith. We will be running our next Alpha course over 11 weeks starting on **Tuesday 23rd April 7pm**, venue to be decided. If you are interested in finding out more information, speak to Laura or Simon, contact the office or visit [Alpha](#).

TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUNDAY 24TH MARCH (*Palm Sunday*)

- 9.00am Holy Communion (SJ)
10.30am All Age Holy Communion (SJ)
Readings: Psalm 118:1,2,19-24; Mark 11:1-11
10.30am All Age Morning Worship (SL)
Reading: Mark 11:1-11

CHURCH LIFE

Help is needed on Easter Sunday morning to serve **REFRESHMENTS** after the 10.30am service. Please contact Jean on 569907 or through the office if you can help.

RHYTHM OF LIFE MEETINGS

For those journeying through ROL we have planned two meetings to catch up on your progress so far, please come along to whichever is most convenient to you:

Monday 15th April or Wednesday 17th April, both at 7.30pm

For those who are **Fellow Travellers** we would like to see how you are getting on and have planned 2 meeting dates, please attend whichever works better: Wednesday 8th May; Monday 13th May both at 7.30pm

All meetings will be at St John's.



The **PARISH OFFICE** will be closed from Friday 29th March until it reopens on Monday 8th April at 9.30am

We are looking for some new members to join our teams in the following areas:

Leading Prayers
Assist with Administering Communion
Finance & Buildings Committee Secretary
Social Committee Members
Christian Aid Parish Representative

If you feel that any of these roles would fit with your skill set or you would like to find out more of what the roles entail please speak to Laura, Simon or the office. Full training and support will be given.

PARISH WEEKEND

Scargill House, 22-24 November 2024

We have had a number of generous donations and confirmation from the **RICHARD TAYLOR EDUCATIONAL TRUST** that financial support is available to help pay for children/young people coming for the weekend; and Scargill have bursaries available for adults, so the costs will not need to prevent anyone coming that wants to. Booking forms with the full details will be out soon!

THE GREEN TEAM



BUG HOTEL MAKING SESSION

Sunday 21st April after the 10.30am service at St Luke's. We are planning to make individual bug hotels for you to take home with you and also a bug palace which will be located at the back of St Luke's to attract more wildlife to the area and help St Luke's towards it's own A Rocha Eco Award.

Everyone is welcome to stay after the service at St Luke's or come along after the 10.30am service at St John's to join in. Drinks and cake will be available.



YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S WORK

CALLING ALL PRIMARY-AGE CHILDREN!
YOU ARE INVITED TO:

THE EMPTY TOMB

A free morning of arts and crafts at St John's Church, designed to tell the story of Easter and what it means for you!

FRIDAY 29TH MARCH

**Drop-in between
10am and 11.30am
Refreshments provided!**

Booking preferred but not essential:
church@stjohnsandstlukes.org.uk

*Parents are required to stay to supervise their children

SJSL ^{YOUTH} Easter Sleepover.

Saturday March 30th

St John's Church

8pm

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PARISHGIVINGScheme

We love welcoming everyone into our churches, whether it's to mark an important time in someone's life, to worship regularly, or to come together in the heart of the community. If you'd like to support your local church, perhaps you'd consider making a gift?



You can make a one-off gift simply and safely online, through the PGS, scan the QR code to find out more.

THIS WEEK'S DIARY



HOLY WEEK

MONDAY 25 MARCH

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)
7.00pm Holy Week Reflection (SL)

TUESDAY 26 MARCH

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)
7.00pm Holy Week Reflection (SL)

WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)
10.30am Holy Communion (SJ)
10.30am Thirst—Coffee at Dene Park Community Centre
7.00pm Holy Week Reflection (SL)

THURSDAY 28 MARCH

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)
7.00pm Holy Week Reflection (SL)

7.45pm Holy Communion (SL)

FRIDAY 29 MARCH

10.00-11.30am The Empty Tomb Family Event (SJ)
2.00pm An Hour at The Cross (SJ)
5.00pm Choir Practice (SJ)
6.30pm Good Friday Choral Worship (SJ)

SATURDAY 30 MARCH

8.00pm Youth Easter Sleepover (SJ)

SUNDAY 31 MARCH (Easter Sunday)

6.15am Sunrise Service (SJ)
9.00am Holy Communion (SJ)
10.30am All Age Holy Communion (SJ)
*Readings: Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18*
10.30am All Age Holy Communion (with breakfast & egg hunt) (SL)
*Readings: Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18*

CONTACT US

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