



Providing a spiritual home and resources for the local community

If you need to contact us, in the first instance please contact the Parish Office on 01793 522832 (Monday-Friday 8.30am-4.30pm) or email parishoffice@christchurchswindon.co.uk

Sunday 1st March 2026 – Second Sunday in Lent Christ Church

8am 1662 Holy Communion – led by the Revd. David Day

10am All Age Worship & Baptism Welcome – led by the Team

We welcome the family & friends of Donnie DeRiemacker who was baptised last Sunday

Theme: 'A Journey for Everyone – the Journey through Lent'

Readings: Luke 4:2-4; Luke 4:5-7; Luke 4:16-18

Talk: The Revd. Daphne Hardwick – 'Resisting Temptation'

[Download an order of service so you can follow and join in](#)

3pm Messy Church at Bath Road Methodist Church

4pm Holy Communion – led by The Revd. David Day

St Mary's

9am Holy Communion – led by the Revd. Moira Slack

[Download our monthly Service Poster](#)

Bible verse for 2026



Our Prayer for Growth

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions and power to our witness.

Help all our Partnership churches to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you and in service to our Swindon Community.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Our vision - To be Christ's Church in the community

Our mission: By proclaiming Christ through teaching and example:

- By welcoming and serving all through hospitality.
- By encouraging people to find God through worship, faith, and prayer.
- By providing a spiritual home and resources for the local community.
- By transforming Swindon and beyond with God's hope and compassion.

Our values: We will do this with humility, grace, and respect, listening prayerfully to God and our neighbours.

Week commencing 2nd March

Morning Prayer 9-9.30am Monday, Tuesday and Thursday Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
7.30am Saturday Morning Prayer & Men's Breakfast
9-9.30am Wednesday & Friday virtual morning prayer
Telephone: [08002605903](tel:08002605903) to join by phone
Use this Passcode [694043607#](tel:694043607#)

Monday 2nd March NO TREASURE TOGETHER THIS WEEK – we will be back on Monday 9th March
11am burial of ashes of Beryl Green in Christ Church Jubilee Memorial Garden
7.30pm Staff Team Meeting in the Large Meeting Room

Tuesday 3rd March 1pm funeral of Jean Peters in Christ Church

Wednesday 4th March 10.30am Christ in Quiet
6.30pm Evening Worship
7pm Fellowship of Faith

Friday 6th March 10.30am World Day of Prayer Service in Christ Church

Saturday 7th March 7.30am Morning Prayer & Men's Breakfast

Sunday 8th March 2026 – Third Sunday in Lent

Christ Church

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion

4pm Healing Service

St Mary's

9am Holy Communion

Electoral Roll Members

Every year as part of the annual church meeting, we review and update all the names on our church Electoral Roll. This year the review starts at the beginning of March and will be completed by mid-April. A list of all currently registered Electoral Roll members (names only) will be available at the back of the churches during the review period.

What do you need to do?

1. Already on the Electoral Roll

If you are already on the Church Electoral Roll and are happy to remain on it, you need take no further action.

2. You want to join the Electoral Roll

There are several benefits from joining the Electoral Roll:

- You can stand for election to the Parochial Church Council (PCC)
- You can attend the Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting (APCM)
- You can participate in the voting at the APCM

To be entered on the Electoral Roll you must:

- Be over 16 years of age
- Be baptised
- Have attended a church in the parish for at least the last six months.

If you wish to be entered on the Electoral Roll, please complete one of the applications for enrolment available at the back of the churches and return it to the Parish office **by 22nd March**

Funeral Details – the Revd. Trevor Day

Trevor's funeral will be in Christ Church on **Thursday 19th March at 11am**, followed by burial in the Burial Ground. Please continue to hold Coby, Thomas, Anneke, Edalia and the family in your prayers. The service will be livestreamed via the Christ Church YouTube channel – link to follow nearer the time.

A book of condolence is available at St Mary's Church, Lydiard Tregoze, 2pm-4pm on Sunday afternoons for anyone wishing to sign it. There is also an online book of condolence on our website where you can add your messages for the family on our website here:

<https://www.christchurchwindon.co.uk/blog/book-of-condolence-for-the-revd-trevor-day/>

Partnership Lent Talks:

Wednesday 11th March at Christ Church – ‘Who are You?’ – the Revd. Nitin Shinde

Thursday 26th March at Immanuel – ‘Follow Me’ – the Revd. Rach Collins.

The talks are based around the Paula Gooder book ‘Let Me Go There’.

Each evening will begin at 7pm with refreshments and chat.

7.30pm talk & discussion.

The evening will finish by 8.30pm.

All welcome

World Day of Prayer Service 10.30am in Christ Church on Friday 6th March

This year's service has been prepared by women from Nigeria using Matthew 11:28. All welcome. Refreshments in church after the service. More details

here: <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/2026-theme-and-country-nigeria/>

Swindon Music Festival The Festival starts on Friday evening 20th March at 6.30pm in Christ Church, with brass, singers (including oratorio) and adult choirs. Sadly, no organists or church choirs this year. Audience welcome, cost £3.

Then it continues morning, afternoon and evening on Saturday 21st and most of the following week in the Arts Centre (not Monday or Thursday).

More details from <http://www.swindonmusicfestival.co.uk> or from carolinempitt@googlemail.com

Audrey Maslin Some people will already know that Audrey passed away in December at her care home in Herefordshire. It was Audrey's wish for a memorial service to take place in St Mary's Church, where she worshipped and was well-loved for many years. This will be on **Wednesday 25th March at 2pm** and the Revd. Teresa Michaux will officiate. The family are keen that everyone who knew Audrey knows they are very welcome to attend. Simple refreshments will be served after the service to share memories of Audrey.

Willows Counselling Service

Italian Night Fundraiser!

Join us for an evening of food, friends, and laughter whilst raising money to support our counselling work within the local community.



£30pp 3 course set menu

Thurs 26th March 26, 6.30pm - Fabios, Bath Road, Old Town, Swindon



We are really pleased to invite you to our Italian Night Fundraiser on Thursday 26th March at 6:30pm at Fabios (15 Bath Road, Swindon, SN1 4AS)

It's a great opportunity to enjoy a delicious 3 course Italian meal in good company, while helping raise funds for Willows simply by coming. There will also be an optional raffle on the night.

Family and friends are really welcome to come too!

To book, please complete the form here:

<https://willowscounselling.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c3bc9e470b12af462793e498e&id=86d797f381&e=c288c71948>

The cost is £30 per person for food (drinks can be purchased on the night). Parking will be available at Willows on a first-come, first-served basis. Bookings need to be made by **Tuesday 16th March** and payment to Willows is required in advance to secure the booking. *When booking, please let us know if you have any allergies or dietary requirements so that we can inform the restaurant in advance.*

Advance notice April 26th is Robert Jordan's last Sunday before he retires. The PCC agreed that in conjunction with Bath Road we would join with Immanuel for Robert's final service on that Sunday morning. 10.30 am start. **There will therefore be no 10am service in Christ Church that day.** Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will therefore now be on Sunday 19th April 11.30am

Partnership Confirmation Service Our confirmation service this year is at **10am on Sunday 31st May 2026 in Christ Church.** If you are interested in being confirmed this year, please take a leaflet from church or online at www.christchurchswindon.co.uk/blog/confirmation-2/ and fill in an enquiry form or speak with Norma. Please do put this date in your diary and come along to support the confirmands as they make this important step in their journey of faith.

Upcoming Events at Christ Church and the Community Centre

Our latest Events brochure is available online now. View it here:

<https://www.christchurchswindon.co.uk/events/eventsnewsletter>

Never miss any of our great events by signing up to our Events Newsletter email at: <https://mailchi.mp/c741f2489c2f/events-at-christ-church-and-the-community-centre-swindon>

For your prayers

† Mike Shurmer, John Webb, Ann Sharpe, Ali Potter, Neville Gray, Manda Shinde, Simon Stevenette, Barbara Sheppard, Kaf Smith, Gordon Hudd, John Cross, Emilia Shaw, Beth Wells, Ian Handy and all those in need of God's healing, including those undergoing long term treatment of any kind.

† Donnie and Asher who were baptised in our churches last Sunday, and for their families and friends

† Joseph and Miki Hudd who were married in Christ Church on 15th March 2025

† For those who are lonely, anxious, and depressed; those living with long-term medical conditions or mental health issues and all who care for them, that they would all receive strength, support, and peace

† For the families and friends of Beryl Green, Jean Peters, Trevor Day, Audrey Maslin and all those mourning a loved one

† For peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land and Ukraine, and for those seeking justice and peace in Iran

† For our pastoral care for members of the congregation and wider Swindon community.

OUR CONTACT DETAILS

Staff Team	For pastoral enquiries please contact the Parish Office in the first instance Staff Team: staffteam@christchurchswindon.co.uk	
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To keep in touch, visit us at: <https://linktr.ee/christchurchswindon> or <https://linktr.ee/communitycentrechristchurch>

To find out what we are doing to reduce our impact on the environment and improve biodiversity on site, visit: <https://linktr.ee/christchurchswindonecohub>

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A service for everyone!

Friday 6 March

I will give you rest, come

Nigeria 2026

**Please join us at
Christ Church**

Cricklade Street SN1 3HB

Service at 10.30am



INFORMED PRAYER PRAYERFUL ACTION

24-7 365 Days a year Prayer movement Ecumenical International Women-led

wwdp.org.uk

Registered Charity Number 233242

Compline for Holy Week

Join us for a simple, prayerful time
together as we contemplate
our Lord's Passion

Monday 30th , Tuesday 31st March and
Wednesday 1st April 2026
6.30pm in Christ Church



Christ Church
Swindon