

Praying Together

March 2026

We pray for our churches and the communities we serve.

Please use this leaflet in your prayers.

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 - St John the Evangelist, Bury St Edmunds •

The Annunciation of our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Wednesday 25th March. We give thanks for the time when the angel Gabriel visited Mary with the message that she would be the mother of Jesus.

We pray:

We beseech you, O Lord,
pour your grace into our hearts,
that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ
by the message of an angel,
so by his cross and passion
we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

1st March 2026, Second Sunday of Lent

Collect : Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Genesis 12:1-4a | Psalm 121 | Romans 4:1-5. 13-17 | John 3:1-17

8th March, Third Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Exodus 17:1-7 | Psalm 95 | Romans 5:1-11 | John 4:5-42

15th March, Mothering Sunday

Collect : God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

either Exodus 2:1-10 *or* 1 Samuel 1:20–end | *either* Psalm 127:1-4 *or* Psalm 34:11-20 | *either* 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 *or* Colossians 3:12-17 | *either* Luke 2:33-35 *or* John 19:25b-27

22nd March, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Collect : Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Ezekiel 37:1-14 | Psalm 130 | Romans 8:6-11 | John 11:1-45

29th March, Palm Sunday

Collect : Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Liturgy of the Palms

Matthew 21:1-11 | *either* Psalm 118:1-2. 19-end *or* Psalm 118:19-24

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a | *either* Psalm 31:9-16 *or* Psalm 31:9-18 | Philipians 2:5-11 | Matthew 26:14 – end of 27 *or* Matthew 27:11-54

PRAYING TOGETHER IN MARCH 2026

For the wider community & church

- 1 S For all in keeping a good and holy Lent
- 2 M Beetons Lodge residential home
- 3 T The Presbyterian Church; Lancaster Avenue Gospel Hall
- 4 W St Olave's Road shops and residential area
- 5 T The Beacon Church (Pentecostal)
- 6 F Bridge Community Church
- 7 S All Saints, Bury St Edmunds

- 8 S *Growing in God* worship, work & witness at All Saints, Bury
- 9 M All Saints Bury church hall
- 10 T Julie Hooton, our Benefice Administrator
- 11 W All Saints church monthly coffee morning
- 12 T The Priors Estate
- 13 F The Priors Estate Residents' Action Group
- 14 S Kings Road & Queens Road housing areas

- 15 S Out Risbygate housing and business areas
- 16 M St Peter's House residential home
- 17 T Jankyn's Place sheltered housing
- 18 W St Andrew's, Timworth
- 19 T *Growing in God* worship, work & witness at Timworth
- 20 F All who live in Timworth
- 21 S St George's, Bury

- 22 S *Growing in God* worship, work & witness at St George's
- 23 M The Anselm Community Centre
- 24 T The Mildenhall Road Estate
- 25 W The Mildenhall Road Estate Residents' Association
- 26 T Chestnut Court sheltered housing
- 27 F Northumberland Avenue Methodist Church
- 28 S Kingdom Hall (Jehovah's Witnesses)

- 29 S West Road area
- 30 M Westley Road area
- 31 T Winthrop Road area

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