

# MARCH 2026



St James the Great ▪ Birstall  
Our Lady and St Nicholas ▪ Wanlip

Green Tip for the month: Buy loose fruit & veg

Bible Book of the month: Esther

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>KEY</b> Birstall Both Wanlip Hallam Fields Wider Church/Village						2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent 10am 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Special 6pm Holy Communion
2 2pm F&SC 7:30pm WC4	3 12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - Birstall Methodist Church	4 2:30pm Cedar Mews Care Home Service 3-4pm Open Church 7pm Lent Course 8:15pm RBL Quiz Night	5 9:30am Holy Communion	6 12noon World Day of Prayer: Birstall Methodists 2-4pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - St Theresa's	7 10-12noon Open Church  Amanda off	8 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent 10am Holy Communion 6pm BCP Evensong
9 2:30-4pm Monday Group AGM	10 12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - Birstall Methodist Church	11 3-4pm Open Church 7pm Lent Course 8:15pm RBL Quiz Night	12 9:30am Morning Prayer  Amanda off	13 10:15am Jacqueline Garlick Funeral – Lough. Crem 2-4pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - St Theresa's	14 10-12noon Minister Communities Meeting	15 Mothering Sunday 10am Holy Communion 6pm BCP Holy Communion
16 10-12noon Mothers Union Meeting 7pm PCC	17 10am Old Nick's Coffee Shop 12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - Birstall Methodist Church	18 12:30pm Midweek Communion & lunch 2:30pm Cedar Mews Care Home Service 3-4pm Open Church 7pm Lent Course 8:15pm RBL Quiz Night	19 9:30am Holy Communion	20 2-4pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - St Theresa's  Amanda off	21 10-12noon Open Church	22 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent 10am Holy Communion 6pm BCP Evensong
23 News/Prayer deadline for April Diary	24 12:30-4:30pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - Birstall Methodist Church	25 3-4pm Open Church 7pm Lent Course 8:15pm RBL Quiz Night	26 9:30am Morning Prayer	27 2-4pm Welcome Space 2pm Lent Course - St Theresa's  Amanda off	28 Amanda off	29 Palm Sunday 10am Holy Communion 12:30pm Bring & Share Lunch at Birstall Village Hall 6pm 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Special
30	31 12:30pm Welcome Space					

## For Prayer:

**Sick:** David Bark, Dorothy Barsby, Michael Webb, John & Lesley Walton, Tricia Emmett & all who care for them.

**Communion at home:** Sheila Skidmore, Freda Sowards, Margery Orton, Gillian Hinton, John Harrison, John Walters, Michael Webb, & Dorothy Barsby

**Friends & family of those who have died recently:** Philip Scriven, Jacqueline Garlick & Monica Lucas

	Those who died this time last year	Our Parish Churches & Villages	The Worldwide Anglican Church	The Persecuted Church	Places of conflict: Israel, Palestine, Ukraine and...
w/c 1 <sup>st</sup> March		Our Flower Arrangers  Riverside, Highcliffe & Hallam Fields schools	The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Church of Japan)	<u>Myanmar</u> – Protect Christians from harm, bring timely encouragement to those who need it. Provide every physical, emotional & spiritual need.	For an end to the Islamic State insurgency in Northern Caucasus ongoing since 2017
w/c 8 <sup>th</sup> March		Our Intercessors & Readers  The Cedars Academy	The Episcopal / Anglican Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East	<u>Mali</u> - Pray for those chased away from their homes & churches. For homes for the displaced, encouragement for the downtrodden & joy for the joyless.	For an end to the Honduran gang crackdown ongoing since 2022
w/c 15 <sup>th</sup> March		Our Home Groups  Playschools, Nurseries & Childminders	The Anglican Church of Korea	<u>Burkina Faso</u> – Pray for peace, wisdom & strength. Many face losing homes, communities & loved ones. Pray they feel & know they are supported by their worldwide church family.	For an end to the Kurdish-Turkish Conflict ongoing since 1921
w/c 22 <sup>nd</sup> March		Our Prayer Chain  Our Police, P.C.S.O's & Wardens	The Anglican Church of Kenya	<u>China</u> - Pray for courage & creativity to navigate suffocating restrictions & surveillance & protect underground gatherings,	For an end to the Korean Conflict ongoing since 1948
w/c 29 <sup>th</sup> March		Our Mothers Union  Finance & Legal workers	The Anglican Church of Melanesia	<u>Iraq</u> – Pray for the communities of believers which are dwindling. Pray for those who feel called to remain & flourish.	For an end to the Western Sahara Conflict ongoing since 1970

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Our website is: [birstall.org](http://birstall.org)

A Church Near You website: [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com)

**Please feel free to contact Amanda or one of the Churchwardens during office hours (or other times in an emergency):**

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## Sadna (our Treasurer)

Sadna will collect Invoices and Expense Sheets from the 'Treasurer's Box' in the office, but if you need to contact her, her email is [sadna\\_c@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sadna_c@yahoo.co.uk) and her mobile is 07341 269636. (best to text or use WhatsApp) Expenses need to be approved by the Clergy or Church Wardens before they are incurred. We're keeping a very close eye on our overheads.

## Notices for the information sheets & when I'm in the Church Office

I will be in the office on Tuesdays & Thursdays between 9am and 1pm. If you have a notice for the information sheet, can you please email it to:

[stjames.birstall@btconnect.com](mailto:stjames.birstall@btconnect.com) and/or [sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk) or leave a message on the office answer machine (0116 2671797) or contact Amanda/Rachael or a Churchwarden. I will need to have received it **before I am** on the Thursday to get your items included in that week's news sheet or by the date on the diary for the monthly notices.