

This coming week's services and events:

Monday 16th

10.00am Singles Friendship Group. Beach Deck

Tuesday 17th – Shrove Tuesday

10.15am-10:45am Revive Café. Church on the Trees

11.00am Church on the Trees worship

05.00pm Eucharist. St Mary, Hampden Park

Wednesday 18th – Ash Wednesday

08.30am Morning Prayer

09.00am Eucharist (*opportunity of ashing – and tea and coffee available after this service*)

11.00am Ashes to Go. St Peter, the Hydneye

06.30pm Solemn Eucharist

no Taizé Eucharist

Thursday 19th

10.30am BCP Holy Communion

Friday 20th

10.00am Eucharist. St Peter, The Hydneye

Saturday 21st

11.00am Rosary Prayer Group. St Peter, The Hydneye

Next Sunday 22nd February 2026

Lent

08.00am Holy Communion

08.30am Morning Prayer

10.00am Encounter

06.30pm Evening Prayer

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St Mary the Virgin, Willingdon

Sunday 15th February 2026
Sunday next before Lent

Services Today

08.00am Holy Communion
08.30am Morning Prayer
10.00am Parish Eucharist
06.30pm Evensong

Today's Hymns

721 Love Divine
629 Father, Hear the Prayer We Offer
621 Dear Lord and Father
464 Sweet Sacrament
497 Lord of the Church

Today's Readings

Exodus 24. 12-end
Psalm 2
2 Peter 1. 16-end
Matthew 17. 1-9

Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Psalm 2

 Happy are all they who take refuge in him.

Please pray for...

We pray for the sick and the suffering among them: Baby S, Sally W, Elaine S, Imogen B, Jack B, Suzanne R, Suzanne M, Lauren M, Michelle N, Sheila P, Di H, Roger B

We pray for the faithful departed among them: Sheila Sayers, Peter Rotor, Diana Town, Rebecca (Becky) Hawley, Ian Robertson

We pray for the those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Hilda Willoughby, Janet Thoday, Petronella Richert, Ronald Tedman, Doreen Mayoss, Greta Gordon, Ruth Bartlett, William Hughes, Florence Feaviour, Winifred James, Patricia (Pat) Nash, Frederick Clare, Beatrice Davidson

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Notices

Bishop Martin Warner has announced he will retire from office on the 31st May 2026 we give thanks for all he has given to the diocese and pray for many blessings in the future. And we pray for the appointment of our new bishop and bless the one called to lead us.

Ash Wednesday please remember to bring any palm crosses for the ashing on Wednesday.

Holy Hour Fridays in Lent 03.00pm at St Mary, Willingdon. Come and spend some time in silent prayer before the Holy Sacrament.

Lent Book Group The chosen book we will be reading and discussing is 'Basil in Blunderland by Cardinal Basil Hume'. The first meeting is on the 24th February 06.45pm at St Mary, Hampden Park. If you are interested in joining, please contact Gill C 07986 702222 (Willingdon) or Jill B 07749 876840 (HP).

Summer Fair this year is taking place on 20th June. If you can help set up or run a stall, please let Trevor know 07484 274858.

Singles Friendship Group lunch on 23rd February at 12.30pm at the Smugglers Pevensey. If you would like to join or for further information, please contact Trevor 07484 274858.

The Church Toilet is now back in service. Please be mindful not to use excessive amounts of toilet paper, as the system struggles to break it up.

After the Encounter Service on 22nd February, there will be an opportunity for prayer and the laying on of hands in The Ratton Chapel. You may wish to pray for yourself or another person who you feel would benefit from prayer.

Funeral of the late Rebecca (Becky) Hawley will take place at St Mary, Willingdon on the 28th February at 01.00pm.

Mothers' Union Wave of Prayer will take place on 26th February at 11.00am after the BCP Holy Communion service. All are welcome and tea/coffee will be served afterwards.

Outing to The Life of Christ at Wintershall on 19th June. This is an amazing chance to witness the "Life of Christ" played by actors in a beautiful space at Wintershall. Tickets £35.00 (£5.00 deposit). Please contact Mary Thurston 07806 498301 for more information on travel and accessibility.

Save the Date

24th February Lent Book Group. 06.45pm @ St Mary, Hampden Park

29th March Palm Sunday. Service of Devotion. 06.30pm @ St Mary, Willingdon

30th March Holy Week. Contemplative Eucharist 06.00pm @ St Peter, the Hydneye

2nd April Maundy Thursday. Eucharist. 07.00pm @ St Peter, the Hydneye – followed by a watch until midnight at the altar of repose

3rd April Good Friday. Children's Service. 10.00am @ St Mary, Willingdon.

Good Friday Liturgy 02.00pm @ St Mary, Willingdon

3rd April Walk of Witness. 11.00am (from) St Peter, the Hydneye

Act of Witness. 12.00pm @ Hampden Park by the Tea Chalet

5th April Easter Day. Dawn Vigil (followed by breakfast together). 05.30am @ St Mary, Hampden Park

18th April Beetle Drive for Christian Aid. 02.30-04.00pm @ St Mary, Willingdon Church Hall

4th - 8th May Walsingham Pilgrimage, Norfolk

20th June Summer Fair. 10.30am-02.30pm @ St Mary, Willingdon