

Prayer bulletin

PRAYER

Give thanks for:

- The amazing good news that Christ died for us and is risen.
- For the Lent 'Discipleship Explored' course
- For the promise of resurrection life for all who believe in Jesus.
- One thing that has gladdened your heart this week.

Pray for:

- Us to continue to grow as disciples 'in Christ' now that we have completed the Lent course.
- For boldness to tell our friends and neighbours that Christ is risen.
- One opportunity to speak about Jesus to someone.
- Our Romanian brothers and sisters who will be celebrating Easter on 12th April

Easter Team Appeal - April Requests

The Easter Team

A CRAWLEY FOOD BANK PARTNER

We are blessed with your generous giving throughout the year - your weekly donations are essential and very gratefully received.

Please keep up your regular giving of donations the team are particularly low on **ALL essentials - tins of baked beans, soup, meat, fish, potatoes, vegetables, fruit and rice pudding** – these would be very much appreciated this month, thank you.

Weekday Morning Prayer at St Mary's 8.30-9.30

A small group meets Monday-Thursday mornings to read the office of morning prayer, discuss the Bible readings and pray together. It's a great way to start a day. Come in by the Rectory gate to the office entrance.

WHO'S WHO

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Holy Trinity Church

Tilgate Link April 2026

Sunday Services

5 th April	Easter Sunday	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
12 th April	Sunday Worship	10.30 a.m.
19 th April	Holy Communion	10.30 a.m.
26 th April	4 th Sunday Worship	10.30 a.m.
3 rd May	Holy Communion	10.30 a.m.

10.30 Sunday Services are followed by coffee/tea in the lounge.
Do join us for a drink and a chat.

Parish Communion service on Tuesdays at 10.00 a.m. Services are led in turn by our vicars in our parish, with lay ministers preaching at some. The service is followed by coffee/tea and time to chat in the lounge.

In need of prayer? If you would like someone to pray 1:1 with you, please speak to the vicar or service leader after the service. Anointing for healing is also offered.



Thought from the vicar:

There is a lovely story, from Soviet Russia, of a Communist leader addressing a large assembly of workers in Kiev. An hour was spent ridiculing and denouncing the Christian faith. Watching the crowd getting more confused and demoralised, a priest who was present approached the speaker: "You have said a lot about why you believe there is no God, I would like to speak to give the other side of the debate." "You may have just five minutes," said the speaker, "no more!" "I won't need that long," said the priest. He stood up and proclaimed "ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!" And the crowd roared back "HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!"

This is the foundation of our faith. This is the proof that Jesus did overcome sin and death on the cross. This is why we can look forward to our resurrection. This is good the best news. This is the light that shines in the darkness.

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

1 Corinthians 15:19-20 NIV-UK

Easter Services

2nd April: Maundy Thursday Passover Seder. 6-9pm (see notice)

3rd April: Good Friday.

9.15 a.m. Meditations at Holy Trinity Church then walk to Queen's Square

11.00 a.m. United Service in Queen's Square.

2.00 p.m. Last hour at the cross – St Mary's

5th April: Easter Sunday –

6.30a.m. Lakeside 'sunrise' communion service with other local churches. By the boathouse in Tilgate Park. No seating provided – feel free to bring your own. Followed by refreshments in the church lounge.

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Church

Decorating Church for Easter: Flower Ministry Team invites anyone who would like to be involved to come along on Saturday 4th April, 10.30 a.m. to decorate the church. No prior experience required. A sandwich lunch will be provided.

Passover Seder at Holy Trinity. If you have not yet signed up but wish to come to the Maundy Thursday Passover Seder meal please contact Jill on 07856 657594

Jill could use some help in setting up on Thursday afternoon. Please let her know if you can help.

DCC/PCC As a Team Parish we have a Parochial Church Council (PCC) who are the trustees for the parish, overseeing the work of our churches and with particular responsibility for the finances and safeguarding provision. Each church has representatives on the PCC. Week by week running of the churches is delegated to the District Church Council (DCC) for that church. Council members are members of the churches, on the electoral roll. Annual meetings are held in the spring to elect representatives for the coming year. If you wish to nominate yourself or someone else (with their permission) to serve, please give Mark Alderton written (paper or email) notice.

Annual District Church Meeting for Holy Trinity Church: Sunday 25th April 9.45am in the church

Annual Parochial Church Meeting for South Crawley Parish. Thursday 30th April 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Church

Are you on our Electoral Roll? We would love it if you were.

The electoral roll is the Church of England membership list for each church. You can join if you live in the parish or live elsewhere but have been coming to Holy Trinity Church for over six months. Please complete one of the electoral roll forms - a supply can be found on the welcome table. Please pass completed forms to Jill before Thursday 2 April.

Receiving Communion

Please let the welcomers know when you arrive if you require gluten free bread or need to have communion brought to you at your seat.

Church Hall, Lounge & Upper room regular use:

Day	Group	Time	Location
Monday	Chris Witherrall	3.30pm–9.00pm	Upper Room
	Couch Quitters	6.00-6.45pm	Hall
Tuesday	U3A	1.30pm-3.30pm	Hall
Wednesday	Bloom Pilates	5.45-7.45pm	Hall & lounge
Thursday	Couch Quitters	6.00-6.45pm	Hall
Friday	Complete Core Control	9.00-12.30am	Hall
Saturday	CQ Bootcamp	8.30-9.30am	Hall/outside space

Please pray for our various community partners who use our buildings.

What's on?

Ladies' Tea & Cake: Saturday 11th April 3pm-5pm Holy Trinity Church Lounge. Fun, friendship & conversation. Sign up on the list in the lounge or contact Liz: 07438 873165

Men's meals 2026 - May 22nd, July 24th, September 25th, November 20th

St Mary's Gate Café will be closed Thursday 2 April for the Easter breaks, reopening 11th Thursday morning from 9.30am to 1.00pm.

St Mary's Cake & Co are also taking a two week break over Easter. No Cake & Co Wednesday 1st and 8th April. Back on Wednesday 15th April.

Giving Holy Trinity church is grateful to everyone who supports our work financially. If you would like to give, there is a collection box available in the lounge. For direct bank payments the account name is 'PCC South Crawley Parish Holy Trinity', number: 51472563 bank code: 30-99-50. If your donation is specifically for the building fund, please place cash in a labelled envelope or give the reference 'Building Fund' for bank payments. For other methods of giving, please collect a leaflet in the lounge or speak with Ian Baker, our church treasurer.

THANK YOU to:

Rob for cutting the hedges around the church.

Georgina, David and Terry for making good the water damage in the hall so we will have a smart space to hire out, Georgina & David for work on the grounds and Terry for putting up the cross on the tower wall.

Ann and her team of helpers for running the clothing sale that raised £100 for church funds. Thanks also to those who contributed or bought clothes.

On 10th May, Georgina will be running the Run Gatwick 5K, raising money for Ten Little Toes Charity. Please use this link [Ten Little Toes Just Giving Page](https://www.justgiving.com/page/couch-quitters-2?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=WA) should you wish to sponsor her. Paper sponsorship forms will also be available. https://www.justgiving.com/page/couch-quitters-2?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=WA