

Pews News

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Sunday 29th March 2026

Holy Week

Sunday 29th Palm Sunday	09:30 18:00	The Liturgy of Palm Sunday Stations of the Cross Meditations
Monday 30th	09:30 20:00	Stations of the Cross Compline on Zoom
Tuesday 31st	09:30 13:00 20:00	Stations of the Cross Funeral of Christine Holly Compline on Zoom
Wednesday 1st	09:30 09:30 20:00	Breakfast Club Manor Nursery Stations of the Cross St Richard's Church Compline on Zoom
Thursday 2nd Maundy Thursday	09:30 19:00	Stations of the Cross St Richard's Church Institution of Lords Supper/Striping of the Altar and the Watch until 23:00
Friday 3rd Good Friday	14:00	The Liturgy of Good Friday
Saturday 4th Holy Saturday	09:00	Church cleaning and dressing the church
Sunday 5th Easter Day	09:30	Parish Family Eucharist and Blessing of the Easter Garden

Hymns

see Order of Service booklet

The Collect (Opening Prayer): 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. Amen.



Palm Gospel according to Matthew 21.1-11 When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, “The Lord needs them.” And he will send them immediately.’ This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, ‘Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, ‘Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!’ When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, ‘Who is this?’ The crowds were saying, ‘This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.’

Psalm 118.1-2,19-29*

Isaiah 50 4-9 The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Liturgy of the Passion

Post Communion Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.



Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Karen Cox, Sheila King, Dawn Spurway Pearson, Lucia, Pam Browning, Ian Turner, Michael King, Emily Maylon, Jim, Richard, Jenny, Roger Lewis, Revd. Colin Wood, Tony May, Eileen Tooley, June Baker, Sheila Mullings, Shirley Witcomb, Sue Miller, Laurell Lewis, Marion Peters and Ian Hunter

Anniversary of death: 29th - Jean Jackson, 30th - John Griffin, 31st - Amelia Rutterford, Harold Archer, Frank Hope, April 1st - Adrian Smith, 2nd - Eleanor Fitzsimon, 3rd - Ellen Earwaker, 4th - Robert McClelland, Edward Balk
Funeral of Christine Holly, 31st March 13:00.

The World: We pray for peace in all areas of conflict around the World, and we pray for peace in the Holy Land. For all those seeking safety and refuge in our Country.

For urgent prayer, contact Sue Davis (01243 262915) to start the Prayer Chain.



Palm Sunday – 29th March, 9:30 am Join us as we share in Christ's own journey, starting with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The dramatised reading of the Passion Narrative will be read, in which the whole story of the week is anticipated.

Good Friday Children's Workshop - Mosse Hall, Aldwick 3rd April 10:00 – 12:30 Activities for children young and old (under 18's must be accompanied by a responsible adult). No charge. Donations welcome.

Walk of Witness on 3rd April, starting at Bognor Regis station forecourt at 10:00, continuing via London Road, and concluding with a short service and refreshments at Our Lady of Sorrows church.

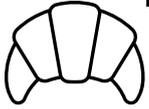


Easter Flowers As part of our celebration of Easter we like to fill the church with flowers. If you would like to sponsor an arrangement, or contribute to the costs of flowers, please speak to Trudi - 07703597353. The church will be cleaned and decorated on Holy Saturday – 4th April from 09:00. Please join us if you would like to help. Donations of greenery would be appreciated, delivered to church by 09:00 on the 4th April. Thank you.

Please note: There will be no Tuesday @7 during the Easter Holidays, but please do come and join your church family at any one of the many services offered in this time, you'd be so welcome. Tuesday @7 returns on 14th of April.



Churchyard care and maintenance After many faithful years of overseeing the care and maintenance of our Churchyard, and the community team, Mike Wake has decided to enjoy some well deserved retirement. We are looking for a volunteer who would be willing to take over from Mike, (it's not an onerous task!) if you would like to know more please speak to Mike, Alex or Sue, we have a job description we can share. Visitors always remark on how beautiful the Church and Churchyard is, and we need help in keeping it that way.



Breakfast Club meets at Manor Nursery Palm Court cafe; 9.30 am on Wednesday 1st of April. The cost of breakfast at Manor Nursery is between £10.00 and £14.00. All are welcome to come along and enjoy a cooked breakfast with like-minded people with wide ranging conversation. Any queries contact Alex Brockhurst 07792 544259.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting The APCM will take place on Wednesday 22nd April 2026 at 19.30pm in St Andrew's Chapel. You are very welcome to attend as we review and give thanks for the activity of Pagham Church in 2025. If you are interested in standing for election on the PCC or Deanery Synod, please speak to one of the Churchwardens to find out more about this way of serving the church community. Election forms are available at the back of the church.

Please note the dates when our community groups will next meet:

The Bear Necessities: on 13th April, 7.30 pm at The Bear Inn, Pagham

The Book Group: 1st May, 2pm, in St Andrew's Chapel, St Thomas a Becket Church

Pints of View: on 9th April, 7.30 pm at The Inglenook Pub, Pagham

Breakfast Club: on 1st April at 9.30 am at Manor Nursery.

Bell ringing: on Mondays at 7.30 pm at St Thomas a Becket

Don't forget, the Church is open every day, usually between 10am & 3pm. It is a beautiful place for quiet prayer and reflection.

Next week's readings:

Jeremiah 31.1-6, Psalm 118.1-2,14-24*

Colossians 3.1-4, Matthew 28.1-10

Church Diary: This is held by Mo Hatzfeld. Please let her know if you are planning to use the church or St Andrew's Chapel to check availability. Tel: 01243 268576.

For any queries regarding our Pew Sheet, please contact Emily- paghampew@gmail.com

