



# The Benefice of Watchet and Williton

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**PALM SUNDAY**



### Today's Worship and Readings

St Peter's, Williton	9.15am	Holy Communion
St Decuman's, Watchet	10.45am	Holy Communion

**We are back in St Decuman's this week.**

### Next Sunday – 5<sup>th</sup> April: EASTER SUNDAY

St Peter's, Williton	9.15am	Easter Holy Communion
St Decuman's, Watchet	10.45am	Easter Holy Communion

**There is currently no heating at St Peter's, so please dress warmly!**

### The 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.

**Amen.**

*Readings: Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 21:1-11*

### Alternative Collect

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. **Amen**

### Dates for the week ahead:

**PLEASE SEE THE YELLOW BOX BELOW FOR SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 9.45am Communion at The Sanctuary, Watchet

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April **No CAMEO this week**

8.00pm Pause and Pray

*As part of the Diocese focus on prayer this year, the Deanery team is inviting us all to pause and pray for a few minutes at 8pm every Thursday.*



### Prayers:

We are holding in our thoughts and prayers: Alice, River Walker and family, Janet Roche, Richard and Sidney.

**If you would like to be included on the prayer list, please let Mark, Clare, Sarah or Sue know.**

**Prayers for the benefice:** Each week we join with our friends from all the local churches in praying for a local road or street. This week it is **Dawes Avenue, Watchet** and **Doniford Orchard, Williton**. Pray for God's blessing on those who live and work there.



Please note the prayers for the Deanery are available on the Website: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com>

## Services for Holy Week and Easter

<b>Palm Sunday 29 March</b>	St Peter's - 9.15am Holy Communion St Decuman's - 10.45am Holy Communion (please note – there is no procession to church this year)
<b>Monday 30 March</b>	St Andrew's, Stogursey, 7.00pm The Crucifixion by John Stainer (see below)
<b>Maundy Thursday 2 April</b>	St Decuman's 7.00pm Holy Communion. <i>A quiet evening service to commemorate the Last Supper and Jesus washing the disciples feet (volunteers only)</i>
<b>Good Friday 3</b>	Joint service, Methodist Church, Watchet 10.00am <i>Followed by walk of witness to the Esplanade (Christians Together in Watchet and Williton)</i> St Peter's Williton 2.00pm A service of reflection for Good Friday.
<b>Holy Saturday 4</b>	St Decuman's 8.00pm Service of Light <i>A short service where, as darkness falls, the first light of Easter is brought into the church.</i>
<b>Easter Day Sunday 5</b>	St Peter's 9.15am, Easter Holy Communion St Decuman's 10.45am Easter Holy Communion

### Annual update of St Peter's Church Electoral Roll

It is that time again to update the church roll.

The update commences:- Sunday 22nd of March.

If you are on the current Roll, you do not need to do anything.

If you wish to check you are on the current electoral roll then there is a list of names in the folder on the table at the back of church or contact :-

Derek Smith, Electoral Roll Officer

If you would like to be included, then please complete a form available in the folder on the table at the back of church. When completed please place back in the folder in the sleeve marked completed forms. Thank You.

**All new applicants to return completed forms by Sunday 26th April.**



### The Crucifixion

by John Stainer

sung within a service

on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026

at 7.00pm

at St Andrew's Church, Stogursey

**Tenor: Gregory Steward**

**Bass: Christopher Moorsom**

**Conductor: Roger Stacey**

**Organist: Miles Quick**

**With singers from around the Deanery and beyond**

**Retiring collection in aid of the Deanery Mission Project –  
The Salvation Army in West Somerset**

### Parish Meal at the Bengal Spice Restaurant, Williton

Tuesday 21 April Arrive @ 7pm

Come along and enjoy a curry with friends!

£20 per person

(includes a £2 donation to church funds)

£10 deposit per person please, or payment in full.

There will be a raffle on the night.

### ST. DECUMAN'S TOWER LIGHTINGS

**MARCH 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>**

Many Congratulations to **DIANE COGGINS**  
on your 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Love Graham, Nicola and Mike

and Happy Birthday **DIANE**  
with the love from all at St Decuman's for  
all your dedication to our services. Wonderful !

**MARCH 29<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**

**APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>** Remembering a **Dear MUM** on her birthday  
with love Elizabeth (Roberts) xx

**APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup> DENNIS BULPIN** Happy Birthday to a wonderful Dad -  
we miss you so much. All our love Shirley, Paul & family xxxx

**APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup> VI KNIGHT** remembered on her birthday & never  
forgotten. Loved always Tony David & the family

**APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup> Good Friday**

**APRIL 4<sup>th</sup> Holy Saturday**

**Bookings - dates & dedications at £10**  
**Contact Tony**

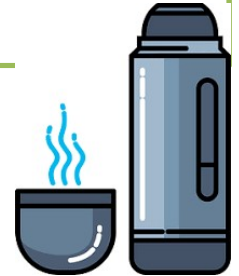


### A Prayer for the Deanery Mission Project

Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,  
Lord, in your suffering world this is our prayer.  
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,  
Sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase.

God of the poor, friend of the weak,  
Give us compassion we pray:

Melt our cold hearts,  
Let tears fall like rain;  
Come, change our love  
From a spark  
to a flame.  
Amen



### New Deanery Mission Project – The Salvation Army in West Somerset

At a meeting in January at Nether Stowey Church Centre the project for 2026 was unveiled - for the Salvation Army to fund supplies to be taken to homeless people across West Somerset.

Sam Searle who runs the Watchet Salvation Army corps gave a talk showing exactly the items she needs to buy - things like blankets, duvets, towels, mugs and thermos flasks - too many to mention here. But she explained how a tent can cost £25 and a thermal t shirt £10 while a packet of biscuits is £1. It all adds up! And it is so important. Can you imagine living rough on the cold, wet, stormy nights of this winter? **And can you help?**

Margaret Tatham and others have little collecting boxes – when they are full, pass them to your PCC Treasurer and start a new one!

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