

### Adult Confirmation

The adult Confirmation Service will take place on **Sunday, 7th June at 3:00pm.** **Bishop Mark** will preside. The venue will be either at St Matthew's Church or St Anne's Church, to be confirmed. If any adults are interested in being confirmed please speak to **Revd Liz** who will provide more information.

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If you have an item that you wish to be added to the pew sheet, please email the relevant information by 6:00pm on Thursday to:  
[helencrabtree.church@gmail.com](mailto:helencrabtree.church@gmail.com)

### FOR OUR PRAYERS

**SICK:** Barry Tootill, Joan Joyce, Hazel Robinson, Harry Mullen, Brian Schofield, Viv Webb,, Laura Devall, Nicola Selby; All in nursing homes, care homes or hospices; We also pray for anyone who is awaiting test results.



**RIP:** Iris Last;  
29th - Derrick Podmore, Brian Laycock;  
31st - Eunice Taylor, Herbert Lees, Florence Cosgrove, Kathleen Briggs;  
April 1st - Margaret Bradley, Elizabeth Roberts;  
2nd - Jean Bailey;  
3rd - Stuart Sneyd, Kathleen Henderson

### Sanctuary Light Dedication

This week's Sanctuary Light has been dedicated 'In Memory of Laurie David Tuppen'



### Iris Last

Iris's funeral will take place in church on **Wednesday, 15th April at 1:00pm.**

### Holy Week Taize Prayer

This service will be held at **St Anne's Church, Royton on Tuesday, 31st March at 6:00pm.** It is a candlelit time of contemplation, chants, scripture and silence.

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# Welcome to St Matthew and St Luke, Chadderton

*"Living out our call to share the Gospel in Faith, Hope and Love"*

## 29th March 2026

## Palm Sunday HYMNS

# 14, 583, 463, 448, 738, 721, 572

### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sunday, 29th

9:00am Choral Eucharist

Monday 30th March

7:00pm Holy Week Reflections

Tuesday, 31st

9:30am Parent & Toddler

Wednesday, 1st April

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday, 2nd Maundy Thursday

7:00pm. Eucharist of the Last Supper

Friday, 3rd Good Friday

9:30am All Age Worship

11:30am Celebration of the Cross

Sunday, 5th Easter Day

6:00am Service of Light

9:00am Choral Eucharist

### Mothers' Union Diary Dates

See narthex notice board for event dates.





## Liturgy of the Palms

### 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.'

## Old Testament Reading

### Isaiah 50. 4-9a

#### A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

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?

## New Testament Reading

### Philippians 2. 5-11

#### A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## The Passion Gospel

### Matthew 27. 11-54

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

### Welcome

We welcome and thank  
**Revd Canon Richard Hawkins**  
who will be presiding at our  
Maundy Thursday service.

### Beetle Drive

We made **£268.56** from the Beetle Drive which will go towards church funds. Thank you again to **Gillian, Neville** and **Maggs** for organising it and also thank you to everyone who came along to support it.

### APCM - Wednesday, 23rd April 2025 @ 7:30pm

This year's APCM will be held in church. The process is as follows:

- Electoral roll closes **5th April**. **If you have not already done so please complete an orange form and hand it to Neville.** Notices have now been placed in church, together with nominee election forms for elections of Churchwardens, Deanery Synod and PCC representatives. Anyone wishing to stand for any of the offices please complete the relevant form asap and hand it to **Gillian**.

For more information re the APCM please contact **Gillian**. For queries re the electoral roll please contact **Neville**.