

Welcome to The Marden Vale Team Ministry

(Christ Church, Derry Hill; Holy Trinity, Quemerford;
St. John the Baptist, Foxham; St. Martin, Bremhill;
St. Mary the Virgin, Calne; and St. Peter, Blacklands.)

22 March 2026 – Passion Sunday/Lent 5 (Purple)

Services around the Benefice

09:30 St Peter's Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 St Mary's Morning Praise
10:00 St Martin's Informal Holy Communion
10:45 Holy Trinity Holy Communion
11:00 Christ Church Morning Prayer
18:00 St John the Baptist Evensong

Sunday 29 March Palm Sunday (Red)

08:00 St Mary's Holy Communion
09:30 St Martin's Holy Communion
10:00 St Mary's Holy Communion
10:00 Holy Trinity All age service
18:00 Christ Church Evensong

Today's Collect: Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Collect: Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Regular events:

Mondays

Church House 10:00 - 12:00 Mary Makers Craft Group

Tuesdays

Church House 10:00 - 11:30 SMUFs (St. Mary's Under Fives) – Term time only

Derry Hill church 14:30 – 16:30 Handbells

Wednesdays

St Mary's church: 10:00 Holy Communion

Derry Hill church: Christian Meditation 18:00 – 18:30

Thursdays

Derry Hill church 10:30 coffee & chat

Fridays

Bremhill Village Hall 10:00 coffee & cake **Derry Hill church** 14:00 Crafternoon

St Mary's church: 17:15 – 18:15 Young Voices (Y5 & above) 18:30 – 19:30 Choir Practice 19:30 Bellringing

Other Notices:

Monday 23 March Christ Church Derry Hill 14:00 Service of Thanksgiving for the late John Wyatt

Tuesday 24 March 14:30 Lent Group (contact Graham 01249 811835) and 19:30 Lent Group (Foxham)

Wednesday 25 March Church House 11:00 Lent Group 19:30 C&B PCC Meeting

19:30 Lent Group (contact Pippa Lovering 07747 698435) and 19:30 Zoom Lent Group

Thursday 26 March St Mary's church 16:00 Rehearsal for Wedding Blessing of Jodie and Anthony Davis

19:30 Calne Choral Rehearsal for Spring Concert

Friday 27 March St Mary's church 09:45 Priestly School Easter Service

11:00 Marden Vale Academy Easter Service

Church House 12:30 – 13:30 Lent Lunches – Donations to Sudan Fund

St Mary's church 16:30 Wedding Blessing of Jodie and Anthony Davis

Christ Church 17:45 Wedding Rehearsal for Molly Davies and Jamie Belcher

Saturday 28 March St Mary's church 09:30 – 13:00 Spring Clean (see below)

Christ Church Derry Hill 13:30 Wedding of Molly and Jamie

St Mary's church 14:00 Calne Choral Rehearsal

19:30 Calne Choral Spring Concert – Brahms A German Requiem

On Saturday 28th March from 9.30 till 1pm we are having a spring clean in St Mary's Church! Please put the date in your diary, and be prepared to bring dusters, dustpans and brushes, battery operated vacuum cleaners, etc.

A huge thank you to everyone who donated bakes, purchased bakes & Rosemarie Berry for organising bakes last week. A grand total of over £200 was raised for the MU "Away From It All" project. Brilliant, Alison.

At St Mary's Church on Maundy Thursday at 7pm we are repeating our very special evening event from last year, including a sit-down casserole-type meal with courses interspersed with an informal service while seated at our tables which includes foot or hand washing and Holy Communion. This will be followed by the ceremonial stripping of the altar and a vigil in St Edmund's Chapel. If you'd like to come, please sign the list at the back of church, whether or not you are able to bring a food contribution - all are welcome.

This year's revision of the C&B Church Electoral Roll ends on Sun 29th March 2026; application forms need to be returned by this date if you want to vote at this year's C&B APCM (at St. Mary's on 19th April).

Zoom morning prayer for the whole benefice is at **8.30am every Friday morning**. Click here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86707029064?pwd=MTlnaGM2bnNBRStYN3Q0Vi9STWxudz09>

Meeting ID: 867 0702 9064 Passcode: 12345

Please pray for: Soizic Illman, Wendy Gallop, Sarah Cleverley, Jill Mason, Amanda Wilford, Noreen Adams, Goff & Ann Morris, Brian & Rosemary Hick, Nicola Rigby and Pamela Cooper

All those in need of God's healing.

Please pray for the family and friends of: Jean Cockram and John Wyatt

All who have recently died; all who mourn the loss of a loved one; all whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Pray too for:

The people of Afghanistan, Myanmar, Iran, Pakistan, Sudan, South Sudan, Ukraine, Yemen and especially those who have become refugees because of conflict or as a result of natural disasters

Israel & the people of Palestine in Gaza and of Lebanon. The people of Venezuela and Greenland

The victims of violence. For those helping people and families in poverty.

We pray for all the children, young people and staff of our local schools.

Today's readings are:

Ezekiel 37.1-14

Romans 8.6-11

John 11.1-45

If you would like to receive a Gluten Free wafer at Communion please let the Churchwardens or priest know before the service.

Our Churches are open for private prayer:

Bremhill - daily from 09:00-16:00

Derry Hill – Mon-Sat 09:00 -16:00 and Sundays 12:00-16:00

Foxham — open daily during lent 10:00 – 16:00

St Mary's – daily from 09:00 – 16:00

Contact us: Church House - 30, Church Street, Calne, SN11 0HU,

(Open – 09:00 – 13:00 on Mon., Weds., & Fri. only) Tel. 01249 816 522. (excluding bank holidays)

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