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## Church E-News

from the Parish of Fladbury, Hill & Moor, Wyre Piddle, Cropthorne & Charlton  
and the Parish of Bishampton & Throckmorton

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### Sunday 29th March - Palm Sunday

10.45am - Procession to church from Fladbury bus layby, outside the Rectory

11.00am - Holy Communion - Fladbury with Passion Narrative

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### Holy Week

The most holy week of the year begins on Palm Sunday. These services intend to help us accompany Jesus on his way to the cross, to grow in our understanding of what Jesus did for us and know the true joy of Easter Day. If because of illness, you are unable to come to services and would like to receive prayer and holy communion at home, please let me, Sarah know [revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com](mailto:revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com); or 01386 861669.

This year, the **Palm Sunday service** begins, for those who are able, with a procession of palm leaves from the lay-by outside the Rectory at 10:45. Singing hymns led by the choir, we shall walk to church for the service, and join those already there for the reading of the Passion Narrative and holy communion.

On **Tuesday (30<sup>th</sup> March) at 7.00pm** a **reflective service** will be held at St Anne's, Wyre Piddle, "Walking with Christ to the Cross".

On **Maundy Thursday (2<sup>nd</sup> April) at 7.00pm**, a **supper with holy communion** will be held at the Old School Room, Charlton (behind the church). This is a special time of fellowship to share a meal, to read the story of Jesus' last meal with his disciples, pray and to break the bread and share the cup as Jesus did in the upper room. We then go into church for quiet prayer while the altar is stripped of its furnishings. For the purpose of catering, this is the only service we ask you to let us know if you are coming and of dietary requirements. Please advise Delia Harding [delia.c.harding@gmail.com](mailto:delia.c.harding@gmail.com); or 07754 786005 **by the end of today (Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup>)**.

On **Good Friday (3<sup>rd</sup> April)** at 12noon there will be a service with hymns at St John the Baptist' Church, Fladbury.

our Good Friday Service on Bredon Hill.

And then on **Holy Saturday**, and Easter Day, please **bring and place fresh flowers on one of the crosses** which will be in the churchyards of Moor, Wyre Piddle, and Fladbury. Encourage friends, family and neighbours to do so too. Flowers will also be available in a bowl at the foot of the cross. A colourful expression of Easter joy and hope.

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## Why Should He Die?

“Why should he die?”

A question asked by the older children of Fladbury Primary School and answered movingly through the children’s dramatization of Holy Week and Easter, in a service in church to families. With solo singers, singing in parts and children’s choir, the school told the greatest story we can ever tell, beautifully and powerfully.

Here is one of their songs:

When I think about the cross,  
when I think of Jesus,  
I’m reminded of His love –  
Love that never leaves me.  
Who am I that He should die,  
giving life so freely?  
When I think about the cross,  
help me to believe it.

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## Congratulation to our Bellringers!

Fladbury & Crothorne Bell Ringers have been jointly awarded the ART (Association of Ringing Teachers) Award for Band or Cluster of the Year 2026. The award is a national one and is focused on improving ringing standards and developing the sustainability of ringing. From a start four years ago, the band has come a long way. They are looking for anyone who is interested in learning to ring. Contact Anthony Palmer.

*Sarah writes, “The award is well deserved. It’s great to have bells rung for Sunday services, weddings, and special occasions – a part of village life”.*

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We enjoyed a fun afternoon last Saturday with young families making a colourful Easter cross from lollipop sticks, butterflies to signify the new life of Easter, and a decorated Easter card. After a scrumptious tea of sandwiches (yes, including jam sandwiches!) and lots of cake, children then helped with the telling of the Easter story. With singing accompanied by a guitar, and a prayer card to take home, the afternoon was a very sociable occasion. Thank you to all the families who came, and to all the helpers for making the afternoon such a great success. The children's Easter cross will be displayed at St Anne's Church, Wyre Piddle.

*Sarah*

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## Thank You for Work to Fladbury Churchyard

A very big thank you to the hard work put in by village volunteers last Saturday clearing unwanted saplings and brambles, moving snowdrops and generally making the churchyard look so well cared. A great effort with very noticeable results, which is much appreciated.

*Sarah*

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## Fladbury Memorial Flowers for Easter

Following no flowers in churches during Lent, we decorate our churches with spring flowers and greenery on Holy Saturday ready for Easter Day. If you would like to give a donation towards Easter flowers in memory of loved ones, please sign the list near the font in the church as soon as possible. Names of loved ones remembered will be displayed for Easter.

If you have any queries, please contact me, Jane – [\\_pjbugg@btinternet.com](mailto:_pjbugg@btinternet.com) or phone 01386 860531

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## Lent Lunches will be held ....

In **WYRE PIDDLE** on **Friday 27 March** in the Village Hall at 12.30pm in aid of Evesham Vale Welcomes Refugees. There will be a speaker about this charity. To book a place, please contact Carol Rosier on 07967 131299.

In **MOOR** on **Saturday 28 March** at the Old Chestnut Pub at 12.00pm to 13.30pm with donations in aid of St Richard's Hospice. Buy your own drink from the bar.

**All are welcome.**

## Funerals

31<sup>st</sup> March at 2.00pm at The Vale – John Taylor (Fladbury)

1st April at 12 noon at Fladbury Church - Acelin Boswell

10<sup>th</sup> April at 1.30pm at Bishampton Church – Phyllis Tarver

13<sup>th</sup> April at 1.30pm at The Vale – Ida Roberts (Charlton)

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## Easter Cards

Easter cards are on sale after services in Fladbury Church, or if you are unable to be there, please contact me, Jane, email [pjbugg@btinternet.com](mailto:pjbugg@btinternet.com) or phone 01386 860531.

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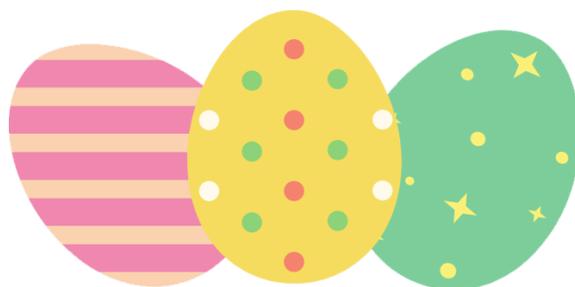
## Prayer Diary

Prayer diaries starting from Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March are now available in all the churches.

The downloadable version for anyone who would like it is [here](#)

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**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**5th April**  
**FLADBURY CHURCH**  
*Children's Activities*  
*will take place during the*  
*Holy Communion Service*



The Easter Sunday activity for children will be a  
**Pottery Throw Up!**

Come and roll out stoneware clay (like you would with pastry) then use various pastry cutters to create shapes. Write your thoughts on each piece, eg peace, love, hope. Or make jewellery, or anything you want! I'll take your masterpieces away and fire them in my kiln. Then I'll return them to you via schools or relatives. (Fran)

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# Mark's Spring QUIZ!

St James' Church, Bishampton  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 28th**  
7pm - doors open 6:30pm

Bring a team (up to 8) or join one on the night – we're happy to help!  
Pre-booking required. Please call or message **Lucy Fairfax** on  
**07708 707 402**  
Bring your own nibbles.  
Cash bar for minimum donations.

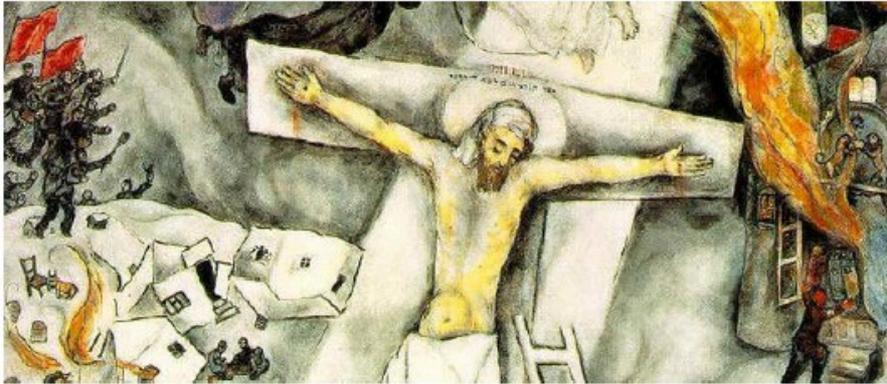
**Entry £5pp**

All proceeds to church roof funds

The Friends of St James  
Bishampton

Scratch Performance of:

# Stainer's Crucifixion



**Sunday 29th March 2026**

**All Saints Parish Church Evesham**

*Market Pl, Evesham WR11 4RW*

*2:30pm rehearsal for a 4:00pm performance*

**Conductor:** Mark Blackwell      **Organist:** Gus Orchard

**Tenor Soloist:** Mark Roper      **Bass Soloist:** John Wilderspin

There is no charge for singing or coming to listen, but a collection plate will be at the back of the church in aid of a local charity(s), to be decided nearer the event.

For me to be able to layout seats in advance, it would be good to know if you would like to sing. and if you need a copy of the music. If you have any friends who want to come, please just confirm the number and, if you want me to contact them direct, their email addresses please

If you are interested in singing, please contact Mark Blackwell:

By Email at: [markblackwell96@gmail.com](mailto:markblackwell96@gmail.com), call me on 07768 146879 or send a Private Message in Facebook

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# God Talk

Do you believe in God,  
and does it matter?



We may not think much about God in our day-to-day life, but when our lives are shattered by profound loss or suffering, or, conversely, when we are awestruck by a night sky or the birth of a child, we may wonder whether there is a God out there.

What is the nature of the God who is worth believing in, anyway? 'I don't believe in God', one man said to his vicar. 'What God don't you believe in', replied the vicar. And when he'd told him the vicar replied, 'I don't believe in that God either'.

We are all on a journey to try to make sense of our short life on this earth, so this course is for people of all persuasions, ranging from those who don't believe or are not sure about the reality of God to those who hold a strong belief in God. The aim is to clarify the issues, and excite and nourish us on our journey.

Roger Spiller

## When + Where

7.30-9pm

Little Comberton Village Hall,  
Elmley Road, WR10 3EP

15 April,

22 April,

29 April,

6 May,

20 May

Register with

[https://wegottickets.com/  
event/695202](https://wegottickets.com/event/695202)

Or, [acbhteam@gmail.com](mailto:acbhteam@gmail.com) by the

10 April 2026

Refreshments served




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## Prayer Requests

If you wish your name to be included in the prayers at church services and on the Church E-News, please let Sarah know, [revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com](mailto:revsarahdangerfield@outlook.com) or 01386 861669.

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plant pots, we could use washed out yogurt pots, egg cartons, or even the eggs shells themselves. Toilet rolls make a good compostable plant tube that can be planted straight out when ready, without disturbing the new established roots. We inevitably end up with more seedlings than we can possibly use, so let's swap with friends.

*Eco Church team*

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### **Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

10:45 Procession to church from Fladbury bus layby,  
outside The Rectory

11:00 Fladbury Holy Communion with Passion  
Narrative

### **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Holy Week**

19:00 Wyre Piddle Walking with Christ to the Cross  
a contemplative service

### **Maundy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

19:00 Charlton Supper & Holy Communion in  
Old School Room

### **Good Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

12:00 Fladbury Good Friday Service

### **Easter Day - Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April**

9:30 Bishampton Holy Communion

9:30 Wyre Piddle Holy Communion

11:00 Fladbury Holy Communion with craft activity  
for children

### **Easter Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April**

11:00 Lower Moor Easter Praise

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