

THE BENEFICE OF ILMINSTER & WHITELACKINGTON

Pewsheets for weeks beginning Sunday 15th March 2026

Calendar

Sunday 15th March – 4th Sunday of Lent / Mothering Sunday

Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41 / Colossians 3:12-17, John 19:25-27

8.00am BCP Holy Communion - *The Minster*

9.00am Morning Prayer - *Whitelackington*

10.30am Morning Praise - *The Minster*

Monday 16th March

8.00am Meditation - *The Minster*

12.00pm Lectio Divina - *The Minster*

6.30pm Meditation via Zoom

Wednesday 18th March

8.00am Meditation - *The Minster*

10.00am FoodBank and FoodShare in Minster Rooms

10.00am Memories Café in Minster Rooms

10.30am Holy Communion Service - *The Minster*

7.00pm Meditation Group - *The Minster*

Thursday 19th March

7.30pm Lent Bible Study in Minster Rooms

Friday 20th March

8.00am Meditation - *The Minster*

3.30pm Junior Choir in Minster Rooms

Saturday 21st March

10.00am FoodBank and FoodShare in Minster Rooms

Sunday 22nd March – 5th Sunday of Lent

Passiontide begins

Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45

8.00am BCP Holy Communion - *The Minster*

9.00am Morning Prayer - *Whitelackington*

10.30am Morning Praise - *The Minster*

12.30pm Baptism Service - *The Minster*

We pray for:

- All those remembering death anniversaries including the family and friends of Christine Handcock, Sister Christine Southwood, Leslie Burton, Christine Ackhurst, Dorrie Coles, Edwin Edwards, Mary Reynolds, Walter Reynolds and Kathleen Jordan.
- Those who live in Summerlands Park Drive and Summerlands Park Close.
- Our Mission Partner this month: Safe Families

This Week: please pray for ...

- the residents at Vaughan Lee and Muchelney House as they meet for their monthly services on Thursday 19th March.

News:

• **FOODBANK DONATIONS**

During the Morning Praise Service this Sunday, we will be taking an offering of donations for the Iminster Food Bank and so, if people are willing / able to bring some items to donate, that would be great. There is a particular need for biscuits, coffee and cereals. Thank you.

- **GREEN ILMINSTER TALK - Wednesday 18th March**
Improving Water Quality in Somerset – John Bagnall from Wessex Water @ Ilminster Arts Centre. Talk starts at 7.30pm. Entry free but donations welcome!
If you saw Dirty Business, the drama documentary on Channel 4, you might want to hear from our local water company about their performance. (if you missed the series, well worth a watch on Channel 4 catch up.)
- **PALM SUNDAY – Sunday 29th March**
A reminder that our Benefice service for Palm Sunday to mark the beginning of Holy Week starts with a procession. We meet from 10am at Wharfe Lane Car Park, next to Muchelney House, with the procession itself starting at 10.15am. If you're not able to join that for whatever reason, the service will still have a 'second start' at the usual time of 10.30am in the church. The Palm Sunday liturgy is a very special way to start Holy Week. Everyone is very welcome to whichever part of the service suits them best.
- **HOLY WEEK COMPLINE**
Just like last year our Holy Week Compline services will be an ecumenical venture:
Monday 30th March 8pm at The Minster
Tuesday 31st March 8pm at St Mary's, Whitelackington
Wednesday 1st April 8pm at St Joseph's Catholic Church

Our weekly pewsheets and monthly service posters are also uploaded onto our Church Near You Page: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11268/>

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