

News from St Mary's

East Barnet Parish Church

April 2026

Sunday 5 April	10am Festival Eucharist on Easter Sunday <i>There will not be Evensong on Easter Sunday</i>
Sunday 12 April	10am Eucharist for Easter 2
Sunday 19 April	10am Eucharist for Easter 3 4pm Contemplative Eucharist
Sunday 26 April	10am Eucharist for Easter 4

The Parish Lunch is at 1pm on the third Monday of the month - that's the 20th April this month - in the Prince of Wales. Please do contact Alec if you would like to attend or would like more information.

St Mary's wouldn't be here without a committed core of people who pray for the church and give of their time, talents and financial resources.

If you'd like to volunteer to help lead St Mary's into a hopeful future then please consider joining the church council - for which there will be elections at the Annual Meetings in May - or contact Alec.

If you'd like to make a one off or regular donation to support the church's ministry in our community, then please visit the Parish Giving Scheme website.



Parish Giving Scheme

The Church Choir rehearses before Evensong and special services.

To join, please contact the Director of Music.

Enjoy coffee and cake in the community halls on the first Thursday of the month from 10:30 - 12 noon.

The Prayer Group meets at 3pm on Fridays.

For more information please contact the Director of Music or Debbie Windeler (debbw@talktalk.net).

St Mary's will soon be able to issue vouchers for our local foodbank.

Please speak to the Rector for more details or other help.

Young Voices rehearses on Wednesdays at 4pm.

To join, please contact the Director of Music.

Every Thursday from 12:30pm there are food parcel packing sessions in the community halls.

For information, please contact the Rector.

The Sewing Circle meets in the community halls on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 10am-1pm.

The Parish Lunch meets at the Prince of Wales on the third Monday of the month from 1pm.

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Sunday 5 April

Jeremiah 31.1–6

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord:

The people who survived the sword
found grace in the wilderness;
when Israel sought for rest,
the Lord appeared to him from far away.
I have loved you with an everlasting love;
therefore I have continued my
faithfulness to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built,

O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines,
and go forth in the dance of the merry-
makers.

Again you shall plant vineyards
on the mountains of Samaria;
the planters shall plant,
and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels
will call

in the hill country of Ephraim:

‘Come, let us go up to Zion,
to the Lord our God.’

Acts 10.34–43

Then Peter began to speak to them: ‘I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to

appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

Matthew 28.1–10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, ‘Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, “He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.” This is my message for you.’ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, ‘Greetings!’ And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.’

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