



Notices Sheet - 5th April 2026

Notices

This weekend's Bible readings: Acts 10:34-43 (p 1104) Matthew 28:1-10 (p 1000)

Thank you: Thank you to all who have helped this week, by organising, welcoming, reading, singing, making refreshments or in any other way. Bishop Jane has very much enjoyed being part of all our Holy Week services, and we welcome her as she shares our Easter Day communion with us. Thank you, too, to our flower arrangers and cleaners, and all who have worked to make our churches ready for Easter. And, not least, thank you to our Standon ringers, who have checked the bells and cleaned the ringing chamber after all the building work, in readiness for our tower to ring us to church on Easter Day.

Notices double edition: There will be no notices sheet next weekend (Caroline is having a few days' break).

Midweek services: Please remember that our regular Tuesday and Wednesday midweek services will not take place this week.

APCMs (Annual Parochial Church Meetings): The APCMs for our benefice churches will be held in the next two weeks, after our usual services. Please try to attend if you can, as we review last year and look forward to the next one. If you feel called to join one of our PCCs, please ask our secretaries for an application form.

Some paper copies of Standon's APCM papers are available at the back of St Mary's this morning, but if you're willing to receive the papers electronically, whichever electoral roll you belong to, please let your secretary know. There will not be enough paper copies at the meetings for everyone!

Wednesday café: Once again, we are appealing for help with the café, which runs in All Saints on Wednesday afternoons during term times. Sadly, we have lost some key members of the team in recent months, and we are starting to worry that we might not be able to carry on this important and effective outreach. If you could spare a couple of hours every now and again, or provide cake from time to time, please speak urgently to Carole or Lizzie B.

Knit & Natter group: If you like knitting or crocheting, come and join us in the Sargant room (at the back of Standon village hall) any time between 1pm and 3.30pm, usually on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Tea & cakes will be available. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 9th April. For more information please contact Diane on 01920 821130.

Services for the next few weeks:

Midweek services each week:

Tuesdays, 9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP) & Bible study	St Catherine's
Wednesdays, 9.30 am	Morning worship & Bible study	St Mary's

Please note there will be no midweek services on 7th or 8th April.

Sunday services:

5 th April	10.30 am	Easter Day communion service	St Mary's
12 th April	10.30 am	Morning worship	St Mary's
19 th April	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.30 am	Holy Communion	All Saints
26 th April	10.30 am	All age worship	St Mary's
	6.00 pm	Choral evensong	St Mary's
3 rd May	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.30 am	Morning worship	All Saints

Bishop Jane will join us for Easter Morning.

There is no 8.00 service, and our 10.30 service will be in St Mary's.

Dates & meetings coming up:

12 th April, 11.30 am	Standon APCM	St Mary's
14 th April, 10.30 am	Sacombe APCM	St Catherine's
19 th April, 11.30 am	The Mundens APCM	All Saints
22 nd April, 12.30 pm	Midweek Music	St Mary's
30 th April, 3.00 pm	Service to celebrate the life of Ronnie	All Saints
6 th May, 2.15 pm	Libury Hall service	Libury Hall

Prayers:

On this sheet, we suggest focus areas for prayer, but please continue to pray for the work of our churches and missionary partners around the world (details on our website).

Church family news:

- Please pray for all who are unwell or in pain of any kind.
- Pray for all who grieve.

Pray for our community

In our cycle of prayers, this weekend we ask you to include in your prayers:

- all who have special plans for the Easter holiday
- those who are visiting or hosting family members, or providing child care for working parents
- those who miss family members at holiday times, or who are unable to visit loved ones

Pray for our outreach, our service and our churches

This week we ask you to include in your prayers:

- our annual meetings, our church wardens elect and PCC members, present and future
- our outreach work, and especially that helpers will come forward for cafe
- those who will visit our churches over Easter, that they will meet with the risen Christ

Pray for our mission partners

At Easter time, we ask you to remember the work of all our mission partners, spreading the good news of Jesus across the world. More information about all our mission partners can be found on our website.

Please pray for:

- Catherine and Stephen McGoldrick, working for church growth in Burundi and Central Africa
- Andrew and Samara Ellis, part of a church leadership team in Harare, Zimbabwe
- David and Marlene Fry, working with media in Austria reaching out to unreached peoples
- John and Gillian Robinson, working with the poorest in Bangkok, Thailand
- Kisiizi Hospital in Uganda, working for health and Christian outreach
- The Holy Land Institute for the Deaf in Jordan, working with deaf children throughout the country

If you are aware of anyone who would like our prayers, or who would like the church family to share in some news, good or bad, please let Caroline know (caroline@ubsms.org.uk).

Regular notices

Groups in the Benefice

Mondays (2nd & 4th of month), 2.30pm: Reflections Bible study group at All Saints: contact Jane

Tuesdays, 2:00pm (ad hoc): Benefice Group for World Mission prayer: contact Peter A.

Wednesdays, 2.30pm (2nd Wednesday of the month)

7.00pm (4th Wednesdays): Small Group Marthas & Marys: contact Marion

Wednesdays (term time only): Children's and Young people's Bible clubs at All Saints: contact Lizzie B.

3.15 pm Primary aged children

Thursday (2nd of each month), 1.00 – 3.30 pm: Knit & Natter: contact Diane M

Thursday (3rd of each month), 2.00 – 4.00 pm: New Seasons support group: contact Heather

Thursdays, 7.00pm (term time only): Benefice choir practice: contact Michael (music@ubsms.org.uk)

Fridays 9.30 am (term time only): Little Angels for toddlers and their carers at St Mary's:

contact Cate (littleangels@ubsms.org.uk)

Please Continue to Support our Churches

You can donate directly to any of our churches, or you can send donations to any of our treasurers. Bank details are displayed in church and on the website. Gift aid forms are available from any of our treasurers.

Contacts:

Contacts during the vacancy: While we have no Rector, if you have any queries or concerns, please speak to any of our church wardens. If you know of someone who needs a visit, please liaise with Jacqui. We do have access to clergy who will help if needed, so please don't be put off raising a concern. Rebecca, our administrator, works flexible hours, but will respond to emails as soon as she can.

Rector: Until a new Rector is appointed, please direct any enquiries to our benefice administrator.

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