



**MITCHAM  
PARISH CHURCH**  
St Peter & St Paul



**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2026**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST**

*meet in church before processing outside for Palm Blessing & Procession*

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

*see separate page inside*

*Basically, Eucharists (some with Stations of the Cross meditations) are held Monday to Thursday at 7.30pm. On Tuesday the usual 10.00am Service is held.*

*On Maundy Thursday the Footwashing Ceremonies and Memorial of the first Eucharist are followed by a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the High Altar, where a silent Watch is kept until 11pm.*

*Good Friday we gather at 11.00am at the Clocktower to join other Christians and at Noon in Church for three hours – culminating in Communion at 3.00pm.*

*On Holy Saturday evening at 7.30pm we gather for The Easter Ceremonies, First Mass of Easter and celebrations.*

**SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

**EASTER DAY**

**10.00am FESTIVAL EUCHARIST WITH BAPTISM**

**TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

**10.00am SAID EASTERTIDE EUCHARIST**

*followed by refreshments and 'Open Church' until 12noon*

**WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

**7.30pm JULIAN MEETING**

*come and join us for prayerful silence and meditation in church*



# SUNDAY'S READINGS

## **A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.**

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*This is the Word of the Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

*Philippians 2.5–11*

## **Hear the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew**

*Matthew 26.14 – 27.66*

*This is the Gospel of the Lord*

***Praise to you, O Christ***





## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

### **Our prayer-partner Parish:**

*St Katherine's Church, Kingsdale  
in Matabeleland, Zimbabwe.*

### **For reconciliation and peace throughout the world**

For those countries, world-wide,  
affected by violence, war, discrimination,  
prejudice or conflict, or by natural disaster.

For peacemakers, and all who work in the  
emergency services and relief agencies.

### **Those who are sick or in need:**

Jean Taylor, Daniele, Mary Coggins,  
Chinwe Morah, Joyce Bellamy, Paul Carter,  
Monica Carter, Rufina Ooi, Barbara Eglen,  
Doris Maduforo, Phyllis Knivett, Jesse Tomlinson,  
Liz Cope, Alex Boorer, Samantha Davis, Sarah,  
Elizabeth Ward, Karen Stockdale, Maryan Ahmed,  
Mary Quinn, Lisa Morris, Shaghayegh Malekian,  
Jolliboy Coker, Elizabeth Cheshire, Mary Phillips,  
Sukhi Kaur, Victor Attfield

**For all who mourn,  
the unnamed who need our prayers,  
and those in our Intercessions Book.**

### **The Departed:**

*- those who have recently died:*

Geoffrey Southgate, Anne Stemerding,  
Andrew Watson (*Bishop*), Gill Campbell,  
Joan Wright, Obed Morah, Eddie Lee

### **Years' Mind:**

*We remember all those whose  
Year's Mind falls at this time:*

John Ofori-Mante (30<sup>th</sup>),  
Doreen Reece (30<sup>th</sup>)

*We give thanks for their lives, their love,  
and their example.*

**✠ Rest eternal, grant them, O Lord;  
and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

**Lord, in your mercy:  
hear our prayer!**

## COLLECT FOR PALM SUNDAY

True and humble king,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you  
and love you, that we may  
be found beside you  
on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory.

**AMEN**

## A PRAYER FOR OUR WORLD

Dear God,  
in whose great name comes Christ the  
friend of noisy children; welcomed by  
branches, cheered by the stones,  
sneered by power, shirking in silence  
the protest of faith 'gainst sin  
that harms the Earth!

With branches in our hands  
may we join the commotion  
undeterred by disapproval  
or denial of what needs change for  
Earth's new healing  
as we cheer and follow Christ who  
comes for us in the name of the Lord  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
One God for every place  
and time.

**AMEN**



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### Clergy staffing the Church

I thought it best to make a note to you all about the current vacancies in parishes throughout the Deanery of Merton and its consequent effect.

There are still vacancies in the Merton Priory Team, St Barnabas, Mitcham, and St Saviour's, Raynes Park.

The effect of this is that both myself and Rev'd Jackie are being frequently approached to help cover Services on Sundays and midweek elsewhere.

You will notice absences of us both over the next few months and we truly appreciate your prayers as we minister elsewhere.

*Father David*

**We wish a very**

**HAPPY**  
*Birthday*

**VALERLIE HYLTON  
MORTIMER CHANDLER  
CAROLINE MULLER-CARPENTER**

And to all whose birthday is today, or during this coming week!

**Is your birthday coming up soon?**

**Do let the Parish Office or Clergy know, if you don't think you are on our List!**

## CHURCH STAFFING ROTA

If you are unable to do the dates given,  
please let Fr David know –  
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE  
on 0208646 0666

**Thank you for being a team member  
& helping our church run so smoothly!**

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 10.00am **PALM SUNDAY**

Welcomers      Mercy Antwi  
                         Grace Morah  
Children Corner Val Hylton  
*Philippians 2:5-11*  
*The Passion according to Matthew*  
Intercessor      David Coggins (set)  
Euch. Asst.      Ebele Belonwu  
Refreshments    Helena Vagnolini  
                         Greg Vagnolini

*[No Counting]*

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 10.00am **EASTER DAY**

Welcomers      Sam Lyons  
                         Alan Reece  
                         Micheline Ravololonarisoa  
Children Corner Diana Burrows  
*Acts 10:34-43*    Carole Hornsby  
*Matt 28:1-10*    Clergy  
Intercessor      Rachel Perera (set)  
Euch. Asst.      Reuben-Zebidiah Willoughby  
Refreshments    Grace Morah  
                         Esther Odum  
*Counters*      Kat Chandler  
                         David Coggins

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 10.00am **SECOND SUNDAY of EASTER**

Welcomers      Barbara Jones  
                         Val Hylton  
Children Corner Margaret Danquah  
*Romans 8:6-11*    Deborah Douglas  
*John 11:1-45*      Clergy  
Intercessor      Andrew King  
Euch. Asst.      Robert Willer  
Refreshm'ts      Mavis Bennett  
                         Patricia Benjamin

*[No Counting]*



### Easter Lilies and Flowers

Now is the time to make a donation  
towards the cost of the Eastertide  
floral decorations!

There are envelopes for donations at  
the back of Church and a receptacle  
box to receive them.

*Please be generous; we ask for a  
minimum donation of £5 per stem.*

Please write the 'In memoriam' name  
clearly on the envelope – one Christian  
name & surname only please!!

### **FATHER DAVID**

*wishes to sincerely thank the many kind  
parishioners who sent cards & gifts to him  
on the occasion of his 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday last  
weekend – it overwhelmed him!*

# HOLY WEEK & EASTER

## MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

**7.30PM EUCHARIST WITH STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

## TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

**10.00AM EUCHARIST WITH STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS AND 'OPEN CHURCH' UNTIL 12NOON**

**7.30PM EUCHARIST WITH STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

## WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL

**7.30PM EUCHARIST WITH STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

## THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL – MAUNDY THURSDAY

**7.30PM MAUNDY CEREMONIES, FOOT WASHING, SUNG EUCHARIST,  
PROCESSION TO ALTAR OF REPOSE & WATCH UNTIL 11.00PM**

## FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL – GOOD FRIDAY

**11.00 AM GATHER ON MITCHAM FAIR GREEN  
FOR CTIM ACT OF WITNESS**

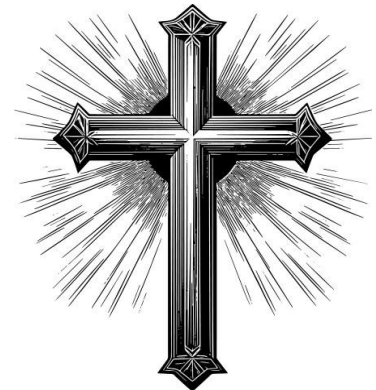
**12 NOON CHURCH OPEN FOR SILENT PRAYER**

**1.00PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**2.00PM GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY  
WITH HOLY COMMUNION**

## SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – HOLY SATURDAY

**7.30PM VIGIL, CEREMONIES &  
FIRST MASS OF EASTER  
PREACHER: REV'D RYAN RODRIGUES**



## SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - EASTER DAY

**10.00AM FESTIVAL EASTER EUCHARIST WITH EASTER EGGS!**

