



# Twyning Parish Church Newsletter March 2026

## Floral tributes at risk over foam fears

Floral funeral tributes that spell out words, such as “Mum” or “Grandpa”, could be under threat after churches were urged to ban “floral foam” because it harms the environment.

The displays that commonly sit alongside coffins in hearses are laid around a grave and are created by inserting flowers into a lightweight, porous, plastic-based foam that has been cut into the shape of letters.

Churches have been encouraged to work with local florists to find other ways to create the displays, including “scrunched-up chicken wire”, because the foam is “hugely problematic from an environmental point of view”.



They are also being urged to reduce the use of flowers imported from abroad for weddings and funerals due to the carbon footprint, with encouragement to opt for “locally sourced” flowers over “imported blooms”.

The advice forms part of the Church of England’s drive to become carbon-neutral by the end of the decade, having set a target of reaching net zero by 2030 through policies including a crackdown on the installation of new gas boilers in church [*where gas is available!!*].

A motion ... presented at a meeting of the General Synod in London [over the period 9-13 February] warned: “Floral foam is extremely hard to dispose of. Anyone who has used it will be aware of the green dust micro-particles released when handling it, and these are often washed down the sink ... A single block of foam contains the same amount of plastic as ten carrier bags.”

Florists expressed caution over a ban but said they were working to find more eco-friendly options. Jamie Grant, director of the British Florist Association, said: “While alternatives do exist and are already being adopted in many settings, they are not universally practical or accessible for every design or florist.”

*Kaya Burgess, Religious Affairs Correspondent, The I, 24.01.2026*

[Perhaps this article could prompt us to have a conversation with any florist that we may use in the future.]

## What about the flower arrangements in Twyning Church?

Madge Storey organises our hard-working band of flower arrangers. She reports that for some considerable time now, the foam that is used in Twyning Church has, very kindly, been donated by Hans Haverkamp. He generously gives us the off-cuts left over from his flower-arranging classes and professional arrangements. This floral foam is the more expensive, eco-friendly type which, so I read, has been shown to biodegrade 51% within a year in biological landfill conditions. Thank you to Hans, to Madge & to our wonderful flower arrangers.

Angela



### A Prayer

God of creation, who loves all you have made and all that has evolved, open the eyes of your people that your love might be reflected in our care for the planet. through Jesus Christ, who walked this earth and calls us by name. Amen.

## From the Parish Registers

Funeral: 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Patricia Holmyard RIP

## Baptism anniversary

On 13<sup>th</sup> March we celebrate **Scarlett Mellissa**'s anniversary of Baptism in 2022. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

'See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.' (1 John 3:1)



## DONATING TO TWYNING CHURCH and GIFT AID CHECKS

As you know, like many churches, Twyning Church has to be self-sufficient. Many thanks are due to those who donate to Church funds. Over 40 donors have signed for us to regard their donations as Gift Aid donations. The PCC has claimed Gift Aid reimbursement of Tax amounting to £5,539 during the year 2025. This is really significant and the receipts are much appreciated. We are advised that, to ensure compliance with Tax Office guidelines, we should – from time to time – **contact donors to confirm they are eligible for us to claim Gift Aid.** So as Hon Treasurer, I will be getting in touch with all donors about eligibility to continue their Gift Aid. If you have any queries, please contact me.

Richard Bailey



Dear Twyning Parochial Church Council,

**Your support makes a vital difference to our essential pre-hospital service.**

Thank you so much for your generous donation of £600.00 from your carol singing around Twyning Village and Christmas day church collection. Your kindness is already saving lives.

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Very best wishes, Emma Gray, Chief Operating Officer for & on behalf of Midlands Air Ambulance Charity

# SERVICES AND EVENTS

- MARCH 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday** 9.30am **PARISH COMMUNION**
- Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 1.30pm **Open the Book** Twyning School
- Mar 5, 12, 19, 26 Thursdays 2.30pm **Lent Reading Group** Whistledown
- Mar 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday** 9.30am **PARISH COMMUNION**  
with **Acorns Stall and Refreshments**



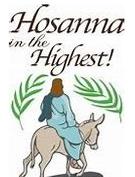
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 10am - 12noon **PARISH COFFEE MORNING**  
with Nicola & Dave Marples, Aquarius, Fleet Road

- Mar 15<sup>th</sup> Mothering Sunday** 9.30am **FAMILY COMMUNION**  
+ **Refreshments (with Simnel Cake!!!)**



- Mar 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** 9.30am **MORNING PRAISE**
- Mar 23<sup>rd</sup> Monday 1.30pm **Open the Book** Twyning School
- Mar 28<sup>th</sup> Saturday 9am **Churchyard Working Party**  
**Start of Family Easter Trails in Church & churchyard**

- Mar 29<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday** 9.30am **PARISH COMMUNION**  
(procession with Palms)

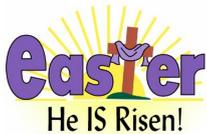


- APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup> MAUNDY THURSDAY** 2.30pm **Lent Reading Group**  
**5pm HOLY COMMUNION**

- Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> GOOD FRIDAY**



- 10.30am coffee morning at Twyning Chapel, leaving at  
**11.30am Pilgrimage walk to Twyning Church, Family Lunch plus Activities**  
**2.30pm A Service of Reflection on the Crucifixion in Church**



- Apr 5<sup>th</sup> EASTER DAY** 9.30am **FAMILY COMMUNION**

- Apr 8<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 10-12 **PARISH COFFEE MORNING**  
with Caroline & David, Tudor Cottage, Church End
- Apr 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday** 9.30am **PARISH COMMUNION**  
with **Acorns Stall and Refreshments**
- Apr 13<sup>th</sup> Monday 1.30pm **Open the Book** Twyning School
- Apr 14<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 7.30pm **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** in church
- Apr 18<sup>th</sup> Saturday 9-5 **Glos & Bristol Bellringers Ass.** hospitality in church
- Apr 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday** 9.30am **MORNING PRAISE**
- Apr 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday** 9.30am **PARISH COMMUNION + Refreshments**

## Readings, Readers & Hymns

9.30am unless time given	readings [small lectionary]	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> readings	hymns NEH unless stated
1 <sup>st</sup> March Lent 2 Parish Communion	Genesis 12.1-4a p97 Romans 4.1-5,13-17 John 3.1-17	Mac McKeever	339 Be thou my vision 372 He who would valiant be 439 Praise to the holiest 338 At the name of Jesus
8 <sup>th</sup> March Lent 3 Parish Communion	Exodus 17.1-7 p101 Romans 5.1-11 John 4.5-42	Dorothy Williams	376 I heard the voice of Jesus 206 Christ is our cornerstone 333 All my hope on God 362 Glorious things of thee
15 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Mothers Sunday</i> Family Communion	Exodus 2.1-10 p112 2 Corinthians 1.2-7 Luke 2.33-35	Gemma Munro	186 Tell out my soul 285 For the beauty of the earth 387 Jesus good above all other 394 Let all the world
22 <sup>nd</sup> March Lent 5 Morning Praise	<i>contemporary</i> Ezekiel 37.1-14 John 11.1-45	Pam Dell	25 Christ triumphant RED 21 Breathe on me breath of God 87 It is a thing most wonderful
29 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Palm Sunday</i> Parish Communion	Matthew 21.1-11 p122 Philippians 2.5-11 Passion: Matt 27.11-54	Nicola Marples	509 All glory, laud and honour 511 Ride on, ride on 86 My song is love unknown 95 When I survey
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 5pm <i>Maundy Thursday</i> Parish Communion	Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14 p145 1 Corinthians 11.23-26 John 13.1-7,31b-35	tbc	
5 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Easter Day</i> Family Communion	Acts 10.34-43 p191 Colossians 3.1-4 Matthew 28.1-10	Jac Taylor	121 This joyful Eastertide 110 Jesus Christ is risen today 117 The day of resurrection 120 Thine be the glory
12 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 2 Parish Communion	Acts 2.14a,22-32 p197 1 Peter 1.3-9 John 20.19-31	Mandy Hunt	124 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem 339 Be thou my vision 112 Jesus lives! Thy terrors 106 Come ye faithful, raise
19 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 3 Morning Praise	Acts 2.14a,36-41 p200 1 Peter 1.17-23 Luke 24.13-35	Lucy Jones	91 I danced in the morning JP 192 Our Father who is in heaven 3 Alleluia, alleluia give thanks to the risen Lord
26 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 4 Parish Communion	Acts 2.42-47 p204 1 Peter 2.19-25 John 10.1-10	Vera Hesketh	349 Come let us join 113 Love's redeeming work 408 Love Divine, all loves excelling 436 Praise, my soul the King

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## Living Lent Generously

In Lent, we often first consider what we might give up – habits, comforts, distractions. However, at its heart, Lent is not only a season of sacrifice, but a season of return and recognising again that God moves towards us with extraordinary generosity.



In Scripture, Jesus shows us what this looks like, the Samaritan who crosses the road to help someone, the Saviour who gives himself completely so that we may have life. Lent invites us to slow down and notice how God is already close to us: in grace given when we felt we didn't deserve it and in those small moments of kindness that arrive just when we need them. These are the quiet ways that God tells us that he is present. When we recognise God's generous heart, Lent becomes less about giving things up and more about transformation.

If God moves towards us with generosity, then we are invited to respond in a similar way. The early church personified this – sharing meals, meeting needs, opening their homes and giving sacrificially so the love of Jesus took visible shape in their communities. What if we embraced this during Lent? Rather than simply giving something up, we could choose to give outwardly: more attention, more compassion, more patience and the courage to stop rather than walk by. Living Lent generously means letting God's generosity flow through us – helping someone to feel seen, safe and comfortable. As we journey towards Easter, may this be the season where we rediscover that generosity isn't just something we do – it becomes who we are. (*Parish Giving Scheme Feb Update*)

## Lent Reading Group

Many of you have valued the opportunity to read and discuss a book during Lent so I invite you to join this year's Reading Group. After much research I hope I have found an interesting and engaging book. 'The Middle Eastern Jesus' is written by Nadim Nassar, a Syrian Anglican priest now living in the UK. He will lead us through the gospels from the culture of the Middle East both at the time of Jesus and now. I have been excited by the insights of this book and that bodes well! Believe me, I swerved past a few books I considered either hard work or just boring.

With my current commitments, the 1st session of the Lent Group will be on Thursday 5 March at 2.30pm & last for the following 4 Thursdays (including Maundy Thursday).

**\*\*Could you let me know if you are interested in joining the Lent Group asap so that I can order in some books. They cost £16.99 each so rather than the Church meeting the full cost can I suggest a voluntary donation of say £5 towards the cost.**

Ron Hesketh on 01684 299773/07745 758899 or ronhesketh@gmail.com

## Churchyard Working Party - Saturday 28th March 2026



Yes, it is nearly that time again!!

In Spring we try to ensure that the churchyard is ready for all who visit family graves. Whatever time you can spare on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, will be gratefully received. Our working parties, last year, were very successful and made a real difference to the appearance of the Churchyard. These enable us to tackle tasks which normally have to give way to the regular round of mowing.

If you can join us this time..... we will gather at 0930 or whenever you surface! There are usually plenty of jobs to do, so bring a few tools with you ....shears etc ....Coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided. With all your help....our churchyard is a credit to our parish.....let's keep it that way! **Hope to see you on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>**

Kind regards, Ron Hesketh on 01684 299773/07745 758899 or ronhesketh@gmail.com

# Family Easter Trail

Bring your children to **St Mary Magdalene Church** in Church End, during the Easter Holidays to enjoy fantastic Easter trails, in & around the Church.



This activity is open to children of all ages. Trail sheets will be available from the porch of the Church

from Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March to the end of the Easter holidays.

Any queries please email [angelacole135@hotmail.com](mailto:angelacole135@hotmail.com) or [emilyhastingsactingup@gmail.com](mailto:emilyhastingsactingup@gmail.com)

**This event is brought to you by St Mary Magdalene Church and Twyning Chapel.**

## Sad news of the Palm Sunday donkey

For 30 years, Don Russell at the Wonky Donkey Inn in the Forest of Dean brought Bluebell the donkey to lead Palm Sunday processions at Twyning and afterwards at the Abbey. One year, Bluebell even brought her foal to enjoy carrots which the children eagerly offer. Bluebell was always well behaved outdoors, seeming to know precisely where she was going towards the church. Unfortunately, one memorable Spring, the minister invited her inside and, of course, she "performed" in the aisle. A local doctor was seen scurrying for a dustpan, which was filled twice over. Don and his wife, Helen, set up the donkey sanctuary which had space for 15 rescue donkeys from as far afield as Romania. Unfortunately, Don passed away last month so Helen is in the process of selling the donkeys. Hence the tradition of having a donkey to lead on Palm Sunday is in the balance. Does anyone have a friendly donkey with the familiar cross marking on its back? - Carrots will be provided!



## Services & Events for Holy Week

**Maundy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - 5pm:** a Service of Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar.

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

- 11.30 until 2pm: a **Pilgrimage Walk, Lunch and Family Activities:** starting from Twyning Chapel's coffee morning [10.30am onwards] you are invited to join a *Pilgrimage Walk* at 11.30am, across fields to Twyning Church.

A light lunch will be provided followed by family activities including a Scavenger Hunt, outside if the weather is dry.

**Good Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April - 2.30pm:** a Service of Reflection on the Crucifixion.

**Easter Day, Sunday 5 April 9.30am:** a Service of Family Communion.



## Introducing Additional Service Booklets



Canon Nick is introducing seasonal service books in Twynning, as he is doing at the Abbey. In addition to the now familiar booklets for 'ordinary' times, we will gradually be introducing service orders for *Lent, Easter, Advent and Christmas*. We thank all who have been, and will be, involved in producing these - to make the passing of the church seasons more obvious and their celebration more meaningful.

## A suggestion - Spring seedlings



You may have sown some seeds, for vegetables or flowers, and find that you have too many. If so, it would be good if you could bring the the spare seedlings to the church porch & leave them for others who've not been as forward thinking (or able!!) I'm sure there would be others who would be glad to have these and grow them on – all good for the world!!



## Flying the Church Flag

You're probably aware of when the church flag is flying by the church gates but do you know how this comes about? For many years now *Brian Gray* has taken charge of making sure that the flag is flying at the right times to mark important days of the year. And he always gets it the correct way up! So that you can look out for it, here's the timetable for the coming year. We extend our grateful thanks to you, Brian.

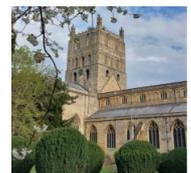
PURPOSE	DATE UP	EARLIEST DATE TO COME DOWN
Easter	Easter Saturday 4 April	Easter Tuesday 7 April
Ascension Day for 10 days	Thursday 14 May	Day after Pentecost Monday 25 May
Patronal Festival	Tuesday 21 July	Wednesday 29 July
King's Birthday	Saturday 14 November	Tuesday 17 November
Christmas Eve	Thursday 24 December	Day after Epiphany Thurs 7 Jan 2027

### Why are flags flown outside of the church?

Church flags are flown to visually represent the church's faith, allegiance to God and national identity. They serve as symbols of unity, purpose and spiritual connection within the community and beyond. The use of flags in religious spaces has a rich history, from ancient banners to modern flags, and they continue to be used for practical reasons, such as their ability to convey messages about the season.



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A Baptism Service, often called a Christening, caters for all of this. It also includes promises about following Jesus as teacher and Lord, accepting him as saviour and discovering him as our friend. And it reminds us that all baptised people belong to the Church, the family of God.

A Baptism is a very important occasion involving serious decisions. As parents, you have to say that you will help your child "walk in the way of Christ" and "take their place in the life and worship of Christ's Church". You will have to answer questions on your child's behalf stating that you have decided to turn away from everything that is evil or sinful and turn instead towards Christ. At Twynning Church and at the Abbey, we are delighted that you wish to have your child baptised and we will stand alongside you and help you to keep these promises.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION

*What if a teenager or adult wants to be baptised?*

Great! The Vicar will be pleased to talk to you about baptism combined with confirmation. It is never too late!

*I'd like to be baptised again as I don't remember anything about my baptism as a baby.* You can only be baptised once, but there are other ways, including special services, of renewing your commitment to Christ publicly.

*How much does it cost?*

Nothing! If you would like to make a donation we would be grateful. It will allow us to do baptisms in the future.

*Godparents, how many can I have?*

Usually there are three, two should be the same sex as the child, but this is only a guideline. Godparents must themselves have been baptised.

***If you wish to have your child baptised at Twynning Church or at the Abbey, or have any further questions about Baptism, please contact us on 01684 850 959 and a member of staff will be pleased to deal with your query.***

### Services times at Tewkesbury Abbey (please check with Abbey Bulletin)

<b>Sunday</b>	7.30am Morning Prayer	<b>Wednesday</b>	9am Morning Prayer
	8am Holy Communion BCP		4pm Centering Prayer
	10.30am High Mass with Children's Church	<b>Thursday</b>	9am Morning Prayer
	5pm Evensong		11am Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>Monday</b>	9am Morning Prayer		5.30 Choral Evensong
	4pm Evening Prayer /5.30 Choral Evensong	<b>Friday</b>	9am Morning Prayer
<b>Tuesday</b>	9am Morning Prayer		5.30 Choral Evensong
	12 noon Holy Communion	<b>Saturday</b>	9am Morning Prayer
	4pm Evening Prayer /5.30 Choral Evensong		4pm Evening Prayer



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