

# Holy Trinity & St Hugh's Bulletin, April 2023



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You are strongly encouraged to attend the Annual Meeting at which the Churchwardens and PCC members will be elected for the following 12 months. You will read and hear reports about the church's activities, buildings and finances over the past year. If you would like to be involved with the PCC or any other of the various committees, do have a word with rev Will. He would love to hear from you!

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The **Annual Meeting for St Hugh's** will be after Evensong at 3.45pm on 23rd April at St Hugh's. You are warmly invited to attend ... and offer your services if you like!

## Holy Week

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### Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th April

6.30pm, Holy Trinity - ***Stations of The Cross***

### Maundy Thursday, 6th April

10am, Holy Trinity: Holy Communion

10.45am, Holy Trinity: Final session of Lent Group

7pm, Holy Trinity: ***Holy Communion, foot washing & stripping the altar.***

### Good Friday, 7th April

2pm, St Hugh's, Durleigh—***Final Hour Service***

### Easter Saturday, 8th April

7pm, Holy Trinity - ***Easter Vigil with the blessing of the Paschal Candle & Eucharist.***  
*The service begins outside with a 'new fire'.*

### Easter Sunday, 9th April

10am, Holy Trinity - ***Holy Communion***

3.00pm, St Hugh's Durleigh - ***Easter Evensong***





## Dates for your Diary

2	Sunday	Mansfield Park	9.55am	Palm Sunday Walk of Witness
		HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
		HT	11.15am	Annual Church Meeting
		HT	12.00pm	Palm Sunday Bring 'n share lunch
3	Monday	Hall	10.00am	Social Morning
		HT	6.30pm	Stations of The Cross
4	Tuesday	HT	6.30pm	Holy Week Reflection
5	Wednesday	HT	6.30pm	Stations of The Cross
6	Thursday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion (said)
		HT	10.45am	Lent Group
		HT	7.00pm	Maundy Service - footwashing & stripping the altar
7	Good Friday	StH	2.00pm	Final Hour - Reflections at The Cross
8	Saturday	HT	7.00pm	Easter Vigil Service
9	Easter Day	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
		StH	3.00pm	Evensong
10	Monday	Hall	10.00am	<b>No Social Morning today</b>
13	Thursday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion (said)
		HT	10.45am	Bible Study
16	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
17	Monday	Hall	10.00am	Social Morning
		Hall	12.15pm	Hall Committee Meeting
20	Thursday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion (said)
23	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion
		HT	12.00pm	Baptism of Ada Barker
		StH	3.00pm	Holy Communion
		StH	3.45pm	Annual Church Meeting
24	Monday	Hall	10.00am	Social Morning
27	Thursday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion (said)
		HT	10.45am	Bible Study
30	Sunday	HT	10.00am	Holy Communion

### Bible Study Group

You are welcome to join in. No long-term commitment. Come along as you like.

**Fellowship - Bible Study - Prayer - Refreshments**



Holy Trinity. 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month at 10.45am



Apologies for any errors or omission in this edition of *The Bulletin*. Any missed out items will be mentioned in notices during Sunday Services. *Ed*

Dear Friends,

Karen and I spent just a couple of days recently on a “city break” in Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic. It is an extraordinarily beautiful city rich in wonderful architecture spanning several centuries and largely unspoilt by war, for the Czechs did not resist Hitler's invasion in the late 1930's and so Prague was virtually unscathed in that dreadful war. Following the war the country was “assigned” to the Soviet Union and for the next 40 years was a thoroughly repressed and subdued part of the communist Soviet Bloc. All this came to an end in 1989 when the Berlin Wall came down, and the constituent parts of the Soviet Union split away from Russia and re-gained their democracies and freedoms.

Visiting Prague so near to Holy Week and Easter put me in mind of the good news which is at the very heart of Easter. The journey to Easter Day for Jesus and his friends was a dreadful, painful and frightening journey. It would have been so easy for his friends simply to fall away, and some of them did. It would have been easy for his friends to look after their own safety by falling in with the powers of repression and darkness, and certainly one of them did. It would have been easy for Jesus himself to give up and just quietly disappear into the background to lead a quiet and “normal” life, but he determined to keep going through thick and thin along the way that he knew to be the good and the right way. That way led through the persecution of Holy Week and the agony of Good Friday to the new life of Easter Day when Jesus' friends encountered him in a very real way, giving them encouragement, energy and enthusiasm for the future - a future which they would dedicate to spreading the news that love - the Love of God - cannot die. Love always wins, love always defeats the powers of darkness and pain. The city of Prague is living testimony to that - to the fact that goodness and love always win through.

Let us hold on to that wonderful truth - Love Wins - which Easter celebrates each year, particularly as we continue to pray for the suffering folk in Ukraine, and as we all go through our own ups and downs in life.

The love of Jesus lives. Goodness and love cannot be killed off, they cannot die. Love wins. Happy Easter!

*Rev. Will*

**“Social Mornings” at Holy Trinity every Monday, 10am-12pm**

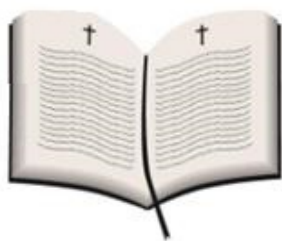
**Open House - all welcome - open to anyone and everyone**

**- in the Church Hall for the time being -**

**socialise, chat, craft if you want to, or just sit quietly and read**

**We'd love to see you there** 😊

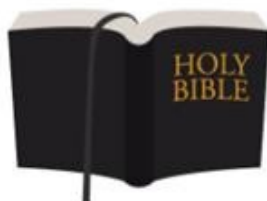
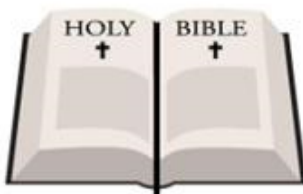
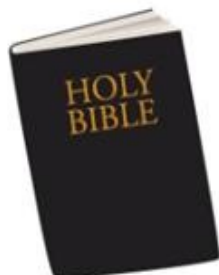




## Do you want a Bible?

There are several at the back of Holy Trinity Church. They're free to take.

*Make a donation if you want.*



## ASDA Foundation,,

Holy Trinity has been chosen for Green Token Giving at Asda Bridgwater Branch. Vote for us today and we could receive £500 from #AsdaFoundation #Community. Your vote means we can expand our Social Morning and offer more to the community. Vote now!! Votes can be placed once every seven days from 1<sup>st</sup> January. To place your vote, go to [www.asda.com/green-tokens](http://www.asda.com/green-tokens) and select Bridgwater\_branch from the drop-down box.

### Regular Church Services at Holy Trinity

Every Sunday: 10.00am Holy Communion (1 hr)  
Every Thursday: 10.00am Holy Communion (½ hr)

### Regular Church Services at St Hugh's, Durleigh

2nd Sunday: 3.00pm Evensong (45 mins)  
4th Sunday: 3.00pm Holy Communion (50 mins)

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