

BENEFICE BULLETIN

Sunday 21 March Lent 5

Weekly Diary

Sunday 21 March

8.30am	St James	Holy Communion
10.30am	St Mary's	Holy Communion
5.00pm	Zoom	Evening prayer

Wednesday 24 March

10.00am	St Mary's	Holy Communion
5.00pm	Zoom	Evening prayer

Easter

For Easter this year the country will still be under restrictions due to Covid. This will mean that, although our churches are open, we will not be able to have an open-door policy. As with Christmas, **even if you come regularly, you will still need to book yourself in to attend.**

The plan is that we will do Holy Week to the best of our ability – celebrating our new 'One Church' status. At present it will look something like this:

Palm Sunday:

9.00am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
10.30am	Holy Communion	St Mary's

Wednesday:

10.00am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
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Maundy Thursday – *We break bread simply together across our three churches...*

5.00pm	Holy Communion	St James'
6.00pm	Holy Communion	St Peter's
7.00pm	Holy Communion	St Mary's

Good Friday – *a day of prayer and reflection...*

9.30am	Reflections & Prayers	St Mary's
12.00noon	Reflections & Prayers	St James'
2.00pm	Hour at the cross	St Peter's

Easter Saturday

6.00pm	Holy Communion	St Mary's
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Easter Day

8.30am	Holy Communion	St James
9.45am	Holy Communion	St Peter's
11.00am	Holy Communion	St Mary's

If you wish to attend St Mary's for the main Easter Celebrations can you chose either the Saturday Night or Sunday Morning service.

Collect for the week

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayers for this week

Those in our books of prayer.
Our three church families
The Midhurst Deanery
Bishop Martin
Bishop Ruth
The Diocese of Chichester

Easter Flowers

If you would like to make a contribution towards the flowers to decorate St Mary's Church for Easter, a collection box for cash or cheques will be at the back of the Church during the next few services or you can pay by contactless card. Cheques should be made payable to St Mary's Church. Any queries contact Eric Bounton Thank you Jean Stichbury

Meet the new PCC

Janet Coleman: I was born in Barnstaple Devon. I am married with two daughters, six grandchildren. I retired in 1998 after selling our hotel/restaurant business. I have lived in Selham for 32 years and have served as Churchwarden at St James' for 6 years, together with duties as the PCC secretary. Before moving to Sussex in 1983 I was active with my husband in Round Table/Ladies Circle and prior to that as Youth Club secretary in a small town in Somerset. My hobbies are cooking, painting in water colours and reading.



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