

# PARISH OF ESHER

CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER with ST GEORGE'S, WEST END

*Growing together in Faith, Hope and Love*

MAUNDY THURSDAY

28 MARCH 2024

<b>CHURCH SERVICE</b>	
Maundy Thursday Service	Led by Revd Jonathan Andrew at 8pm at Christ Church (CC)
Preacher	Revd Jonathan Andrew
Churchwarden	Jane Tyrrell
Sidespeople	Sean Cole
Reading, Prayers	Rowan Marshall, Jane Tyrrell
Musicians	Stuart Whatton, Rowan Marshall
<b>SERVICE MUSIC</b>	
Opening music	<i>Chorale Prelude Ich ruf' zu dir, BWV 639</i> (Bach)
Hymns	166, 165, 169
Setting	Addington
Post sermon music	<i>Ubi Caritas</i> (Taizé Chant)
Communion anthem	<i>Drop, drop, slow tears</i> (Wibberley)
Stripping of the Sanctuary	<i>Stay with me, remain here with me</i> (Taizé)
<b>THE COLLECT</b>	
God our Father, your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end and drank the cup prepared for him: may we who share his table watch with him through the night of suffering and be faithful. <b>Amen.</b>	
<b>THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER</b>	
Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament you have given us the memorial of your passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruit of your redemption, for you are alive and reign, now and for ever. <b>Amen.</b>	

## Welcome to the Parish

The Parish of Esher is for everyone.

The two church buildings, Christ Church in Esher and St George's in West End, have been beacons of faith, hope and love in Esher for well over a century.

Generations have come through the doors to celebrate their marriages, welcome their new-borns and grieve their losses – all of it embraced by the beauty of the worship offered in these houses of prayer week in and week out.

On Sundays we explore the riches of the Christian spiritual tradition through words and music, silence and sacrament. Some of us grew up in church and have never left. Some of us grew out of church, but are testing the waters again. Some of us have more questions than answers. All of us belong here.

You can also check-out some of our services on YouTube to get a flavour of what we're about, or just come along some Sunday at 10.30am in Christ Church or at 9.00am in St George's West End.

Whether you join online or in person, we hope you'll find a community committed to a thoughtful Faith, a hard-won Hope, and a generous Love.

You are very welcome.

## READING Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

## EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 11.23-26

I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

## **GOSPEL John 13.1-17, 31b-35**

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me. 'Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!' Jesus said to him, 'One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.' For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.'

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord – and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet,

you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

## PARISH NOTICES

**Parish Easter Card** - Do pick up a copy of our Easter card and read our Rector's superb message. Huge thanks to everyone who has delivered the Easter Cards and Will Stevens who has coordinated it all. We managed to get all the cards through parish letterboxes!

**Lent Reflections** - Thank you to everyone who participated in our second annual Lent Reflections. We hope you've enjoyed pondering the questions. Our 2024 cards will be ready to purchase very soon!

**Lent Appeal 2024** - This year we are raising funds for much needed CCTV at Christ Church. For more details see separate Lent Appeal notice overleaf. You can donate via the card machine in Christ Church or online by scanning the QR code pew cards. Where appropriate, include your details so we can claim Gift Aid and enhance your donation.

**Food donations** - During Lent we've been encouraging donations split 50/50 between the Esher Lower Green Community Centre ([www.lowergreen.org](http://www.lowergreen.org)) and the local Trussell Trust East Elmbridge Foodbank ([www.eastelmbridge.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.eastelmbridge.foodbank.org.uk)). There's still time to donate in the box in Christ Church. This week Kath took some food donations down to the Lower Green Community Centre, alongside donations that had been collected at Esher Church School. Everyone at the centre was over the moon to receive them.

**Easter Eggs** - We have a few Real Easter Eggs for sale in both churches - £5 each.

**Christ Church Defibrillator** - We're raising funds for this life saving equipment. Please donate to the First Aid Fund by scanning the QR code here or in either church, use the card machine in Christ Church or contact the Parish Office



**Easter Crazy Crafts** - Crazy Crafts on Saturday was amazing - we had a bumper turn out, loads of people who hadn't been before and we nearly ran out of goodie bags. Everyone loved all the free crafts and we received so many compliments at the quality and range of activities. Massive thanks, as always, to the Lower Green Community Centre for their wonderful support and partnership.

**Easter Egg Hunt** - Bring your basket on Easter Sunday, 11.30am to 12.30pm, to hunt for some very special Easter eggs in the grounds of Christ Church. Or just stay and watch the children having some fun!

**Easter Gardens** - Sunday School prepared an Easter Garden at Christ Church and buried a 'Hallelujah'. This celebratory word is removed from church liturgy in Lent and is traditionally marked by this ceremony and resurrected on Easter Day. The St George's folks also have their own Easter Garden to admire.

**Sunday School** - This week we will be venturing outside to our Easter Garden and raising the Hallelujah! Plus we'll be making some lovely Easter bonnets to wear for the egg hunt straight after the service.

**Youth Group** - Youth Group will be back on Sunday 7 April in Christ Church, 4.30-6pm for more games and meaningful conversation.

**Darren** - The Rector's Adoption Leave will continue until Tuesday 20 November 2024. We pray that Darren and his wife have the time and space to grow and enjoy their new family. For all enquiries please do contact the Churchwardens or the Parish Office.

**Kid's Activities at Old St George's** - As we celebrate the beginning of Spring and the flowers returning, Old St George's Church is offering free plant-based family activities on Wednesdays 3 and 11 April, 11am-3pm.

## PARISH NOTICES

**Music in the Tower 2024** - We had a record attendance across all four MITT performances. Audiences were captivated by our Lithuanian guest artist Emilija Karaliute, who introduced us with enthusiasm and expertise to the soothing sounds of her country's national instrument, the kankles.

**Book Group** - Our next meeting will be at 4pm on Monday 22 April when we'll discuss *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro. We can expect some interesting conversation about the topical issue of Artificial Intelligence and what it means to be human. To know more contact Revd Jonathan Andrew – 01372 464380 / jandrewesher@gmail.com

**Music on the Green** - At our next concert, on Wednesday 17 April, we'll host a French horn recital by Henry Ward, accompanied by Owen Lee, with a varied programme including music by Rosetti and Strauss.

**Weekly Organ Meditations** - Barbara Wadley's organ series continues at St Mark's Church in Whiteley Village, KT12 4ES. Thursday lunchtimes, 12-12.30pm. Free admission. Retiring collection for the historic organ.

**Parish Electoral Roll** - This will be revised from 14 April to 28 April inclusive (see full details on the notice in the church porch). If you would like to be added to the Electoral Roll, application forms may be obtained from the Parish Office and must be returned by Sunday 28 April. If you are on the Electoral Roll but have changed your name or address details please advise the Parish Office. The APCM will be held on Sunday 19 May after the 10.30am service in Christ Church.

**Parish Office** - Melanie will be on leave from Good Friday to Sunday 7 April inclusive so the Parish Office will be closed. If you need any assistance during this time please contact the churchwardens. Christ Church will continue to be open every day.

**Gill Barnett** - Our dear friend, Gill, died this week at Moore Place Care Home where she has lived for the last few years. Surrounded by the love of her three children and supported by the sacraments of the Church, hers was a peaceful passing. Gill will be known to many church friends as a long-standing and committed member of our Parish community. Along with her late husband Mike, Gill supported the Parish in many ways, not least as a loyal choir member. We send love and prayers to her children and wider family.

**Ann Willig** - We are very sorry to share the sad news that Ann Willig has died. Ann was a much-loved and deeply committed member of the West End congregation. Please keep her, and all those who are grieving her loss, in your prayers.

**Margot Williams** - Very sadly we received news from Cornwall of the passing of dear Margot. She turned a 100 only a few months back! Margot was a stalwart of the Parish and a regular worshipper at St George's. We remember Margot's whole family in our prayers at this difficult time. The service will take place on Friday 12 April, 11am, at St George's in West End. Those that knew Margot are welcome to join the family in West End Village Hall afterwards.

**Holy Communion** - The sacrament is distributed by 'simultaneous administration' – the priest touches the communion wafer in to the wine surface before giving it to the communicant.

**'Zoom' Morning Prayer & Zoffee!** - Morning Prayer continues each Thursday at 9.30am. To join please contact the Parish Office.

**Fellowship Group** - The next meeting will be in Christ Church at 11am on Wednesday 3 April. We welcome all to pray, to reflect on their faith and to put the world to rights!

# Our Parish Lent Appeal 2024

The Parish supported an international cause for its recent Advent Appeal, as is our custom. We're now supporting a local issue for our Lent Appeal.

The Diocese of Guildford is advocating local community needs, and we are following suit. As the old saying goes 'Charity begins at home' and we have a specific need following the unwelcome visit of an intruder a year ago. It was particularly unnerving for Darren and Jennifer who both happened to be in Christ Church at the time. The ensuing Police visit emphasised that our security was, to say the least, somewhat inadequate. So it is extremely fortunate the intruder made the decision to run off.

We have already made some improvements and at the recommendation of the Diocese, we called in a security company to survey Christ Church and to provide recommendations and a quote for the installation of a CCTV system with cameras at all our external doors.

We now have the required Diocese of Guildford approval to proceed with the work, but needless to say it is costly. We need to raise circa £5k to cover this cost, and this is the aim of our Lent Appeal in 2024.

Keeping Christ Church open outside of worship times is a key element in the link we have with the local community we serve. Our open doors provide people with a quiet place to pray, somewhere to sit and think and enables visitors to enjoy our historic and magnificent building.

We need to be able to open Christ Church in the safest way possible for visitors and for our staff and key volunteers working onsite.

It is for these reasons that we are aiming to raise the funds required for the CCTV cameras and installation, which will help to provide the extra security needed whilst the church is open for use by our community.

To donate to the Lent Appeal please scan the QR code here or on the pew cards in either church, use the card machine in Christ Church or contact the Parish Office. You can also donate via cash/cheque using the Gift Aid appeal envelopes.



Thank you for your support.  
The Parochial Church Council of Esher

Parish of Esher services

# Easter 2024

## Easter services and free events

### **Saturday, 23 March**

#### *Easter Crazy Crafts*

10am, Lower Green Community Centre

*Drop in anytime, 10am-1pm, for free family fun!*

### **Palm Sunday, 24 March**

#### *Palm Sunday Services*

9am, St George's, West End

10.30am, Christ Church, Esher

### **Tuesday, 26 March**

#### **Wednesday, 27 March**

#### *Music in the Tower*

1pm & 8pm, Christ Church

*Places are limited so please book ahead.*

### **Maundy Thursday, 28 March**

#### *Maundy Thursday Service*

8pm, Christ Church, Esher

### **Good Friday, 29 March**

#### *Good Friday Service*

2pm, Christ Church, Esher

### **Easter Sunday, 31 March**

#### *Easter Day Services*

9am, St George's, West End

10.30am, Christ Church, Esher

#### **Parish of Esher - Christ Church, Esher with St George's, West End**

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: Elizabeth Arnold, Michael Newbould, Pam & Jim Green, Gilly Barrett, Allen Palmer, George Raine, Katherine S, Keith Howell-Jones, Sebastian, Hazel Harding, John Cheetham

RIP Anniversaries: Daisy Slade, Edna Worsfold, Robert Morath, Hazel Hunter, Keith Duffy, David Quelch, Peter Wood, Janet James, Muriel Baumann

RIP: Margot Williams, Jamie Bush, June Trew, Gill Barnett, Ann Willig, William Fraser

## BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Readings for Morning Prayer taken from the Church of England Lectionary.

	March	Time	Reading
Thursday	28	9.30-10.30am	Leviticus 16.2-24, Ps 42, Luke 23.1-25
Friday	29		Genesis 22.1-18, Ps 69, Hebrews 10.1-10
Saturday	30		Hosea 6.1-6, Ps 142, John 2.18-22
Sunday	31		Exodus 14.10-18, 26-15.2, Ps 114, Revelation 15.2-4

## LOOKING AHEAD

	March	Time	Event
Thursday	28	7pm	Choir practice, Christ Church
		8pm	Maundy Thursday Service, Christ Church
Friday	29	All day	Parish Office closed (29 March-7 April incl.)
		2pm	Good Friday Service, Christ Church
Easter Sunday		9am	Easter Day Service, St George's Church
		10.30am	Easter Day Service, Christ Church
	April	Time	Event
Monday	1	All day	Easter Monday Bank Holiday
			No choir practice
Wednesday	3	11am	Fellowship Group, Christ Church
		7pm	Bellringing practice, Christ Church
Sunday	7	9am	Holy Communion, St George's Church
		10.30am	Parish Communion, Christ Church
		12.30pm	Interment of Susan Scott
		4.30pm	Youth Group, Christ Church

## CONTACTS

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Live Streaming Please be aware that all services held at Christ Church are live streamed via our YouTube channel.

Please submit information and notices for inclusion in the Sunday pewsheet by midday on the preceding Wednesday. Thank you.