

Worship this Month in our churches:

St Paul's, Tadley:

Date:	Sunday Services
Sun 3 rd Mar	9am Quiet Holy Communion (Steve) 10.15am Café Worship (Steve)
Sun 10 th Mar	10.00am Messy Church (Steve and MC team)
Sun 17 th Mar	9am Holy Communion (Rob) 10.15am Morning Worship (Rob and Sally)
Sat 30 th Mar	7pm Benefice Easter Vigil (Steve and Chris)
Sun 31 st Mar	10.15am Easter Day Holy Communion (Rob and Cathy)

St Luke's, Pamber Heath:

Date:	Wednesday Services
Wed 6 th Mar	10am Holy Communion (Cathy and Chris)
Wed 13 th Mar	10am Morning Prayer (Myles)
Wed 20 th Mar	10am Holy Communion (Cathy)
Wed 27 th Mar	10am Holy Communion (Cathy and Chris)
Sun 31 st Mar	12pm Easter Day Holy Communion (Cathy) Time TBC

St. Marys, Tadley:

Date:	Sunday and Wednesday Services
Sun 3 rd Mar	10.30am Morning Worship (Chris)
Wed 6 th Mar	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Steve)
Sun 10 th Mar	10.30am Holy Communion (Cathy and Charles)
Wed 13 th Mar	10am Holy Communion (Charles and Paddy)
Sun 17 th Mar	9am RISE (Steve, Chris and the RISE Team) 10.30am Holy Communion + Baptism (Steve and Chris)
Wed 20 th Mar	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Charles and Steve)
Wed 27 th Mar	10am Midweek Holy Communion (Charles and Steve)
Fri 29 th Mar	10.30am CTAT Good Friday Service 12pm – 3pm Three Hours Around the Cross (Steve and Team)
Sun 31 st Mar	10.30am Easter Day Holy Communion (Steve, Chris and Charles)

St Mary the Virgin, Silchester:

Date:	Sunday and Wednesday Services
Sun 3 rd Mar	8am BCP Holy Communion (Karen) 10am First Sunday Worship (Karen and Em)
Sun 10 th Mar	10am Holy Communion (Karen) 3.30pm Stillness on Sunday (Eve)
Sun 17 th Mar	10am Morning Prayer (Em)
Sun 24 th Mar	9.30am Palm Sunday Walk (Steve, Chris and Karen) 10.30am Palm Sunday Holy Communion (Karen)
Thurs 28 th Mar	7pm Benefice Maundy Thursday Supper (Karen)
Sun 31 st Mar	10am Easter Day Holy Communion (Karen)

Other Services:

Fri 29 th Mar	9.30am Three Crosses Service at Silchester Methodist Church
Sun 31 st Mar	6am CTAT Sunrise Service at Tadley Skate Park (Cathy and URC)



March Newsletter

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Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Name of the LORD

This month is what Jesus' whole life was leading up to; a time of amazing highs and deepest lows. St. John's gospel records many things he said about himself - that he is the bread of life, the light of the world, the gate to life and the good shepherd. It took people, including the apostles, a while to understand the enormity of what he was saying.

When Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday great crowds greeted him shouting 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' The word 'hosanna' means 'help' but within days the people were changing their chant to 'crucify him.'

Jesus' disciples saw the horror of his death on Good Friday; they were in despair and desolation as he lay in the tomb on Holy Saturday; it must have seemed a crushing defeat. But, after they had recovered from the shock and surprise, they were filled with the joy of his resurrection.

We must never forget what it cost Jesus to rescue us from our sins. No day can now be ordinary, because Christ is risen. Learning to trust in the risen Jesus is to know eternal life - life that holds us firm through all our experiences, both the highs and the lows, and sustains us to our end and beyond.

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Coming up...

Friday 1st March – World Day of Prayer service at 2pm, St Paul's Church.
CTAT churches join together to pray for each other and our world.
Refreshments will be served after the service.

Sunday 3rd March – A new youth group meets from 3pm – 5pm at St Paul's.
Open to anyone from Year 6 to Year 13 across the benefice. We would love you to come along and discuss what you would like the group to look like. At this initial meeting, as well as a discussion we may show a film, eat pizza and play games. The future of this group is your hands, so do come along and share with us how we can tailor this group for you.

Saturday 9th March – St. Paul's Spring Fayre and Monthly Get-Together.
This Month our Get-Together takes place from 10am to midday on 9th March. Everyone is welcome so why not bring a friend or neighbour along for fellowship, food, and friendship. As well as refreshments and lots of cake, we hope to have a few Spring stalls to raise some money for our churches as well provide an opportunity to make some gifts for Mums. If you would like to help with the event, please speak to Steve.

Sunday 10th March – Mothering Sunday. We celebrate and remember our Mums in each of our parishes including a special **Mother's Day Messy Church at St. Paul's from 10am.**

Wed 13th March – Messy Church Planning Meeting, 7pm at The Rectory.

Thurs 14th March – Join Simon Day as he celebrates in a special service along with other lay ministers their licencing as Licence Lay Ministers.
If you are interested in exploring a lay ministry through one of the recognised diocesan routes of BCM, BPP or LMM do speak with Steve who can put you in touch with the relevant vocational adviser for each course.

Friday 15th March – Come and enjoy breakfast at St. Mary's Church, Tadley from 7:30am. Why not pop in on the way to work or school and enjoy one of St. Mary's famous cooked breakfasts as we raise funds for charity. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday 17th March, St Mary's Tadley – Join us for a celebration as we baptise Felix Knight in our 10:30am morning service.

Wed 20th March – Tadley North PCC takes place at St. Mary's at 11.30am.

Wed 20th March – Tadley PCC takes place at St Paul's at 7.15pm.

Thurs 21st March – CTAT Forum at URC, 7pm refreshments for 7:30pm start.

Holy Week...

Sunday 24th March (Palm Sunday). We begin the Easter week with a benefice service and our annual pilgrimage, along the Roman Road from Silchester Village to St. Mary the Virgin for a special Palm Sunday service. If you are planning to walk with us, we will meet at **9:30am at Silchester Walls Carpark.** You will need to be dressed for all weathers – we suggest walking boots or wellies and a waterproof coat. **If walking will prove difficult for you, do join us at St. Mary the Virgin for the service from 10:30am.**

Thursday 28th March (Maundy Thursday). Our benefice joins together in Silchester Village Hall for an Agape Supper and service as we recall the events of the Last Supper.

Friday 29th March (Good Friday). We join together outside St. Mary's, Tadley at 10:30am for our annual CTAT Good Friday service. This will be followed by 3 hours around the cross, with prayers, poems, hymns, prayer stations and periods of silence, led by our clergy.

And at 9.30am: 'Three Crosses' service at Silchester Methodist Church.

Sat 30th March (Holy Saturday). Join us at St. Paul's, Tadley for an Easter Vigil as we keep watch and await the day of the resurrection.

Sun 31st March (Easter Day). As we celebrate the risen Lord, there are Easter Day services in each of our parishes.

- St. Mary the Virgin, Silchester – 10am
- St. Paul's, Tadley – 10.15am
- St. Mary's Tadley – 10.30am
- St. Luke's, Pamber Heath – 12pm (TBC)

Looking towards next month...

Sunday 21st April – Silchester APCM takes place after the morning service

Friday 26th April – Carbon Copy returns to St. Mary's for another fantastic night of all your favourite songs. Add the date to your diary now – more information on tickets will follow.

Sunday 28th April – Tadley North APCM takes place after the morning service.

Other news...

A planning application has now been submitted by Bewley Homes to build up to 245 houses on the fields between Skates Lane, Ron Wards Meadow and Moor Copse. These potential new homes would fall within the Tadley Parish boundary. If you would like to comment on the proposal you can do so at: <https://shorturl.at/cipE5>
Comments can also be emailed: developmentcontrol@basingstoke.gov.uk