

ST GEORGE, BICKLEY

NEWSLETTER 29th MARCH 2026

PALM SUNDAY

BISHOP LUKE'S CHRISM MASS at Rochester Cathedral is on Tuesday 31st March at 12 noon. This is when the Holy Oils for use in the parish are consecrated, and the clergy renew their ordination vows. There will be a sandwich lunch available after the Mass. Do come along if you can. Have a day out in Rochester!

WATCH OF PRAYER ON MAUNDY THURSDAY We watch in church before the Blessed Sacrament from the end of the Maundy Thursday Mass up until midnight. We need to ensure there are always at least two people here, so there is a list on which you can sign up for a half-hour slot (or longer).

PARISH POST-VIGIL PARTY We celebrate after the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night with cake and fizz in the Hall and fireworks in the garden. Be there!

DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS PLEASE! There is a basket at the back of church or mark electronic donations "flowers". Thanks.

CHURCH CLEANING FOR EASTER Holy Saturday, 4th April, from 9am. Please help.

DONATIONS OF HOT CROSS BUNS for Good Friday needed.

CONFESSIONS this week. See Fr Owen or Fr Henry for an appointment.

LENT APPEAL Please bring your full jam jars back to church as soon as possible, with your Lent savings for Tariro. Please fill in a Gift Aid form if you can.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM This is the last call for the Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham, we need to reserve our places and send our deposits this week. This year it will be Friday 26th to Sunday 28th June. The cost will be £188.80. Reservation forms are available at the back of church and should be returned either electronically to Graham Callow, or in hard copy either to Graham or to Fr Henry with the deposit of £40.

WALSINGHAM NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE Monday 25th May. Seats available on coach from St Alban, South Norwood, £35. See poster for details.

SERVICE TIMES THIS HOLY WEEK:

Monday 30th 8.00pm Sung Mass
Isaiah 42; 1-7. John 12; 1-11.

Tuesday 31st 8.00pm Sung Mass
Isaiah 49; 1-6. John 13; 21-33, 36-38.

Wednesday 1st 8.00pm Sung Mass
Isaiah 50; 4-9. Matthew 26; 14-25.

Thursday 2nd 8.00pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper (**MAUNDY THURSDAY**)
Exodus 12; 1-8, 11-14. 1 Corinthians 11; 23-26. John 13; 1-15.

Friday 3rd 3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion (**GOOD FRIDAY**)
Isaiah 52; 13-53; 12. Hebrews 4; 14-16, 5; 7-9. John 18; 1-19; 42.

Saturday 28th 7.45pm Vigil and First Mass of Easter (**HOLY SATURDAY**)
Multiple Vigil Readings. Romans 6; 3-11. Matthew 28; 1-10.

NEXT SUNDAY: EASTER SUNDAY

8.00 Mass (Traditional Rite)

10.30 Sung Mass with Holy Baptism

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

THOSE IN NEED: HM The King, Lizi Benjamin, Keith Bowley, Sylvia Braybrooke, Sue Byers, Julie Couldridge, Beatrice Dadson, Madeleine Donlan, Sandra Donohue, Roger Edwards, Stuart Esk, Matthew Fairweather, Sabrina Ferguson & family, Ava Gale, Norman Good, Elaine Greasley, Alison Hadfield, Caroline Houston, Mary Huggins, Jeremy Wheeler Ireland, Catherine Jones, Ralph Jones, James Lofthouse, Margaret McKensie, Alistair Messenger, Joseph Milad, Nelly Oakeshott, Lee Ramsey, Lyn Ramsey, Scott Ramsey, David Richards, Ray Shaw, Joan Turpin, Trevor Walker, Elaine Warner & family, Ben Westerman, Laila Williams, Wojtek.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Carole Tasker, Leslie Watmore, David Slater, Dorothy Ward, Maureen Palmer.

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Please note: there is no answering machine on the Vicarage landline.