



Church Matters...

Sunday 24 April - 1st Sunday of Easter

Welcome

We are so pleased to welcome you to our services today. If you are new to the parish or worshipping with us for the first time, then please do make yourself known to the person leading the service.

Holy Week Diary

Saturday 23 April

10.30-12.30am - Garden Coffee Morning - Abbey Cottage, Rectory Lane, Itchen Abbas

Sunday 24 April

10am - Valley Worship - St Mary's, Easton

led by John Barber, talk by Nicky Barber and David Parker leading the worship

6pm - Evening Communion - St John's, Itchen Abbas
with Revd Peter
organist John Purver

Monday 25 April

9.30am - Little Rainbows - St John's, Itchen Abbas

Wednesday 27 April

2pm - Memorial service for Geraldine Phillips - St Mary's, Easton

Thursday 27 April

3pm - Funeral of Judith Macpherson - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

Sunday 1 May

8am - BCP Communion - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

10am - All Age Worship - St Mary's, Easton

Notice Board

Absences - Peter will be away from the parish from Monday 25 April - Wednesday 25 May inclusive. If you require help of a pastoral matter, please contact our LLM Gerry Stacey on gerry.stacey@biblesociety.org.uk 07554 438973. Beccy will be on annual leave from Wednesday 27 April - Wednesday 4 May inclusive - emails will be read daily.

Memorial service for Geraldine Phillips - a Memorial Service, celebrating the life of Geraldine Phillips, will be held at St Mary's Church, Easton this Wednesday, 27th April at 2.00pm. Following the service, all will be welcome for refreshments at Easton Village Hall.

I am so grateful for all that we have been able to do and celebrate together as a Church family through my first 7 months here in the Parish. Now I'll be away for several weeks—with some annual leave for me and Georgie, and then on my own leading two tours (to Greece and to Oberammergau), both of which have been postponed by Covid since 2020. I'd value your prayers for these to be truly spiritual experiences for all those travelling with me. And I shall be praying for you, hoping you'll be enjoying this glorious Easter season (without the Rector!) and confident I am leaving you in the safe hands of Gerry, Beccy, the church wardens and the Ministry Team.

Saturday Night Worship: Saturday 7 May - I am so sorry I myself will not be able to be present at this event in St Mary's Easton. But I am delighted that Revd Jon Finch will be leading the worship with his gifted band of musicians, assisted by James Wright and the Ministry Team. Please do join us for what I trust will be an encouraging and uplifting experience of informal worship.

Revd Peter

For Your Prayers

for the situation in Ukraine

for those who are ill or suffering at the moment

for those recently bereaved - Jill and the family and friends of David Croft

For Revd Peter and Georgie during this week of annual leave in Cumbria