



Church Matters...

Sunday 24 March 2024
Palm Sunday

Welcome

We are so pleased to welcome you to our service. 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.

Parish Diary

Sunday 24 March - Palm Sunday

cancelled 8.30am - Holy Communion - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy cancelled

10am - Family Service - St Mary's, Easton

starting at the Cricketers Pub in Easton

led by LLM Gerry Stacey and Sarah Noble speaking, organist John Dover

Monday 25 March

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

2pm - IAPS Easter Service - St John's, Itchen Abbas

7.30pm - Compline - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

Tuesday 26 March

7.30pm - Compline - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

Wednesday 27 March

7.30pm - Compline - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

Thursday 28 March

7.30pm - Passover Communion - St John's, Itchen Abbas

Friday 29 March - Good Friday

10am - Way of the Cross - Starting at bottom of Church Lane, Martyr Worthy

Sunday 31 March - Easter Sunday

8.30am - Holy Communion - St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

10am - Family Communion - **St John's, Itchen Abbas**

Notice Board

Lent Lunches - We would like to thank the organisers, hosts, soup-makers and all those who attended the Lent Lunches this year, we have raised the wonderful total of £2,400 (inc. gift aid) for Youth Options.

Holy Communion this Sunday - Unfortunately we have had to cancel the 8.30am Holy Communion service this week. We do apologise if you were intending to come to the service.

'The Week that changed the world': that's a good way to describe the days from Palm Sunday to Easter Day. So it may be that you would be interested this year in thinking through the story in a more imaginative way, by listening to the 15 audio recordings (each 7-8 minutes in length), which my sister, Jen, and I did in order for people to enjoy. We have put together these recordings as part of a suite of resources to help people have a deeper Holy Week Experience. Please go to walkwaybooks.com and follow the links (for a 20% discount: use 'NW20' at checkout). By listening to two or more of these each day during Holy Week, I hope you will encounter the story of Jesus' love in a whole new way.

Revd Peter

Changes to our Easter Services - there have been some slight changes to our services for Holy Week. We won't now be holding a 'Last Hour' service on Good Friday but there are services in St John's Church, Alresford and Winchester Cathedral during the afternoon which you might like to attend. We have also had to change the location of our 10am Easter Communion service on Easter Sunday - this will now be at St John's, Itchen Abbas.

For Your Prayers

for the situations in Ukraine and the Holy Land

for those who are ill or suffering at the moment

for our new PCC

for us all as we go through the events of Holy Week
that we may grow in our love of Christ