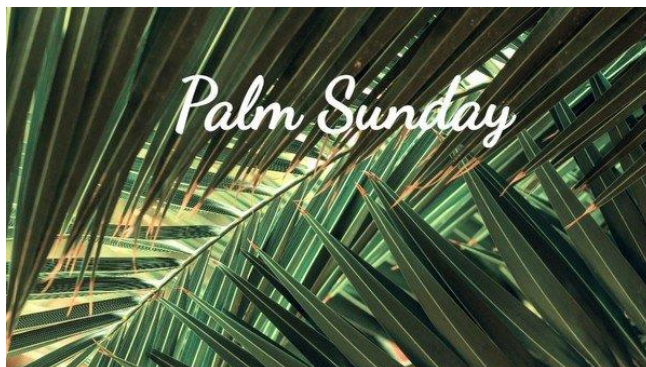




The Parish of Moseley
St Mary's & St Anne's



Parish of Moseley - Palm Sunday

Our Services for Sunday 24th March - Palm Sunday

- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Processional Service for Palm Sunday starting at St Mary's, then moving to the centre of Moseley and on to St Anne's for the Eucharist (please note the service will not be live-streamed)
- 6.30pm - The Way to the Cross - service of readings, hymns and prayers with the music of Vivaldi's Gloria at St Mary's

Morning readings for Palm Sunday - John 12.12-16

Thought for the Day by Jean Lindley

'A Palm Sunday message is one of promise, humility and peace'.

We know that in Zechariah 9:9, the arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem was told long before it happened, 'Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Behold your King is coming to you; Miteous and having salvation is he, vulnerable and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey'.

Palm Sunday is very special in the church as we contemplate and pray for what is to follow. We are transitioning from Lent into Holy Week, time we can spend preparing for the special day when Jesus rises from the dead to save us all from sin.

Today begins with our receiving of Palm Crosses after which we can be peaceful and mindful leading up to Maundy Thursday and the following days. We all have our burdens I am sure, but I can't imagine what Jesus was going through, leading up to his crucifixion. His burden was heavy!

The Palm Crosses have been prepared before the service today and are blessed before we receive them. I always keep mine for a year, until Ash Wednesday. I use it as a bookmark and for when I pray. I find holding my cross as I pray useful and helps me to focus on my prayers.

Let us pray on this Palm Sunday, that you will fill our hearts with the humility and faithfulness that you displayed. We praise you in our hearts as we carry our crosses daily. "Hosanna in the Highest".

Future Services

Tuesday 26th March

- 7.30pm - The Way of the Cross at St Mary's (Journey with Jesus around the church, reflecting on the stages of his Passion)

Thursday 28th March - Maundy Thursday

- 7.45pm - Eucharist for Maundy Thursday at St Anne's (We gather to recall the Last Supper and the events leading to Good Friday, with an invitation to remain for 1 hour of silent reflection after the service)

Friday 29th March - Good Friday

- 10.00am - Intergenerational Service at St Anne's (Followed by refreshments in church)
- 12.00 noon - Good Friday 3 hours at St Mary's (A service of images, reflections, silence and music. Please join for all or part of the service)

Sunday 31st March - Easter Sunday

- 6.30am - Easter Sunrise Service at St Mary's
- 8.00am - Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 10.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Mary's
- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Anne's

Please note there will be no evening service on Easter Sunday.

Sunday 7th April - Second Sunday of Easter

- 11.00am - Sung Eucharist at St Anne's

Please note there are no other services on 7th April.

Our Regular Worship

- Details of our regular pattern of worship can be found on the Services page of our website [here](#).
- Details of how the pattern relates to Children's Worship can be found on the Children and Youth page of our website here.
- Details of specific services can continue to be found in the Calendar.
- Morning Prayer is at 9.10am in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and at 9.10am in St Anne's on Tuesday. **Please note there will be no Morning Prayer week commencing 1st April.**
- The Thursday Midweek Communion service is at 12.15pm in the Lady Chapel at St Mary's. **Please note there will be no service on Thursday 28th March or 4th April.**

Notices

Would you like to be on the Electoral Roll?

Joining the electoral roll opens up the way for greater involvement in the life of the Church, at parish, deanery, diocesan and national levels. You become entitled to vote at

the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

It is an important statement of witness and step along the path of discipleship. With your name on the electoral roll

the strength of the Church can be seen in our area, and across the country.

If you are not already on the roll you can complete a form by following [this link](#).

You can check if you are resident in the parish on the A Church Near You website which you can find [here](#).

If you require a paper form or have any queries about completing the form please do not hesitate to contact Fiona or Trish in the office. Blank forms are also available on the welcome desk in each church.

Please note that the revision of the Electoral Roll will end on 25th March.

Bereavement Café: Bring and Share Lunch

Saturday 23rd March 2024 - 12.30 until 2.30pm.

For our next Bereavement Café we are holding a shared lunch, taking up the idea that it can sometimes feel hard to eat alone after bereavement.

Please bring something to share on Saturday 23rd March from 12.30 until 2.30pm at St Mary's Church (West Room).

We can eat together and share stories of favourite meals shared.

Hot and cold drinks provided.

Flowers for Easter at St Mary's

The church will be decorated for Easter on Saturday 30th March from 9.30.

All help will be gratefully received. If you have any greenery please bring that on the day.

Thanks to Jenny Daniels for her generous donation towards the flowers. If you would like to make a donation towards flowers please contact the office.

Warm Space and Coffee and Company

There will be no Warm Space on Friday 29th March - Good Friday or 4th and 5th April. Warm space will reopen on Thursday 11th April.

Coffee and Company will run as normal on 30th March and 6th April

Suitcases needed!

If anyone has any old suitcases or large holdalls they do not want any more (please note these do not have to be in pristine condition) please can you bring them to church in the next week. We have been asked to collect these to help local refugees and Ukrainians who are having to leave their accommodation to move to other places.

Moseley Iftar - Peace at Heart, Harmony in the World

The Moseley Iftar will take place at 7pm on Wednesday 3rd April at St Columba URC, Chantry Road, Moseley, B13 8DJ. This is a free event but booking is essential. Call 07505 900 490 or click [here](#).

Community Fridge and Soup Lunch every Thursday at Moseley Hive (opposite the Coop)

Moseley Community Fridge is an opportunity for ANYONE, regardless of financial circumstances, to pick up fresh and frozen food which is excess from our community. Moseley Community Fridge happens every Thursday at The Hive from 11.30am-1.0pm. Revd Magdalen picked up some lovely fresh fruit, potatoes and frozen veggie meals for her family this week!

Community Lunch is a mug of homemade soup and bread at the Hive from 1.0pm-2.0pm most Thursdays. Donations welcome but not necessary.

To Absent Friends - An Evening of Loving Remembrance

To Absent Friends is a small informal gathering as part of Dying Matters Awareness Week in which we tell and listen to stories of our loved ones over food. Location: Anjuna Lounge, 58-60 Hazelwell Street, Stirchley, B30 2JS. Thursday 9th May 2024 at 7pm. Bring an object, or maybe a photo, to help you share a memory. This is a free event but booking is required. Click [here](#) to book. Food and drink is not provided.

Spring into Sculpture Event: Sunday 24th March from 3pm—9pm Moseley Hive and Moseley Park and Pool

Kinmos are holding a free, Alice in Wonderland themed, community event full of activities for all ages at Moseley Park and Pool and Moseley Hive. This will include a sculpture trail filled with creations made by the community.

Follow the White Rabbit and join a FREE, interactive sculpture trail in Moseley Park and Pool. Arts, crafts and music for all ages available followed by a Hatter's tea party at The Moseley Hive.

- 3pm - 4pm Making Hearts - Moseley Hive
- 3pm - 4pm Music Session - Park
- 3pm - 5.30pm Make Sunshine Bunting - Park
- 3pm - 5.30pm Make Willow Hearts/Crowns - Park
- 4pm - Procession through trail
- 4.30pm - 5.30pm Storytelling - Park
- 5.30pm - 6.30 Drumming Circle - Park
- 6.30pm - 7.30pm Twilight Viewing
- 7pm - 9pm Hatters Tea Party - Bring a dish to share - Moseley Hive

Payaz machines

You will be aware that we now have two Payaz machines which you can use to make donations, one on the welcome desk and one by the south east door. If you can gift aid your donation, please do. As long as you use the same card each time, you only have to enter your details once.

If you do not already do so, you might like to consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme. Please ask one of the sidespeople for a form to find out more about the scheme.

£130 for our Church

Take out a home insurance policy with Ecclesiastical and they will donate £130 to our church. To find out more, please contact Ecclesiastical on 0800 7830 130 and quote TRUSTPST or go to ecclesiastical.com/trust130.

Stewardship

Our parish is facing significant financial challenges with a growing deficit which a small team are seeking to redress. However, stewardship (the giving of time, talents and financial means) is about us all. On Sunday 4th June we focussed on this in our Sunday services at both St Mary's and St Anne's. Information is available on the welcome desk.

You may also have noticed some notices with QR codes around the buildings. This can be an easy and quick way to donate to the church through 'the collection' when you come to church or are visiting. Please do make use of these on an occasional or more regular basis in our new 'cashless' society. Thank you so much - Magdalen.

This week in the Parish

We continue to pray for:

Cathie Carey and family, Tony Sheppard, Mike Carter, Sylvia Gold, Ruth Carter, Jon Terry, Rachel McLeod, Sheila Perks, Laurie Flood, Elisabeth Leicester, Lincoln Hoeschen and Julia Lee.

Souls of the departed: Tim Hornsey

The Parish also prays and gives thanks for:

- Those who will be drawn in to worship during Holy Week, particularly those who will come for the first time.

Church of England Birmingham Praying Together: The current edition is [here](#).

We celebrate the Birthdays of: Sophia Rogers and Kurt Aston-Bailey.