

Welcome, April 2023

Welcome to this church in the "South Downs Gateway Churches" Benefice

Whether it is your first or hundredth time here, please make yourself comfortable.

If standing is difficult, then stay seated.

If you have a child with a fidgety bottom, relax!

God made your children just as they are; we welcome them and you.

This months services

Holy Trinity, Colden Common

02.04.2023	09.30-10.30	Holy Communion
06.04.2023	19.30-21.30	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion and Watch
07.04.2023	10.30-12.00	Good Friday Service at Colden Common Methodists 14:00-15:00 Hour at the Cross (Contemporary)
09.04.2023	09.30-10.30	Easter Service and Egg Hunt
16.04.2023	09.30-10.30	Holy Communion
23.04.2023.	11.00-12.00	Benefice Holy Communion, St Andrews
30.04.2023	09.30-10.30	Holy Communion with Methodist Church
07.05.2023	09.30-10.30	Holy Communion

Morestead Church

02.04.2023	09.30-10.30	Matins
03.04.2023	19.30-20.30	Evening Prayer
09.04.2023	09.30-10.30	Easter Service
16.04.2023	09.30-10.30	Matins
23.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Benefice Holy Communion, St Andrews
30.04.2023		No Service
07.05.2023	09.30-10.30	Matins

St Andrew's, Owslebury

02.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Morning Prayer
04.04.2023	19.30-20.30	Evening Prayer
07.04.2023	10.00-11.00	The Passion Reading
09.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Easter Service
16.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Holy Communion 16.00-18.00 Messy Church (Village Hall)
23.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Benefice Holy Communion, St Andrew's
30.04/2023.	18.00-19.00.	Evening Service
07.05.2023	11.00-12.00	Morning Prayer

St Mary's, Twyford

02.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Holy Communion
05.04.2023	19.15-20.00	Introduction to Taize 20.00-21.00 Taize Service
07.04.2023	12.00-15.00	Three Hours at the Cross
09.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Easter Service (Joined by the Gateway 360 Childrens Church)
16.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Morning Worship
23.04.2023	11.00-12.00	Benefice Holy Communion, St Andrew's
30.04.2023.	11.00-12.00	Holy Communion
07.05.2023	11.00-12.00	Holy Communion

Coffee will be served at Twyford at 10.30, before the service; please spread out and try not to stand around the hatch in a huddle. Thank you.

Lectionary Readings for April

02.04.2023. Palm Sunday

PALM PROCESSION: Matthew 21.4-11 1st Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7 2nd Reading: Philippians 2.5-11 *PASSION: Matthew 26.14 - 27.66*

06.04.2023. Maundy Thursday

1st Reading: Exodus 12.2-3,5a,6-8,11-14 2nd Reading : Revelation 5.5a,6a,7-13 *GOSPEL: John 1.23,26b-27,29*

07.04.2023. Good Friday

1st Reading: Isaiah 53.3-5 2nd Reading: Hebrews 4.14-16; 5.7-9

Good Friday Passion Reading Part 1: John 18:1-27. Good Friday Passion Reading Part 2: John 18:28 - 19:16 Good Friday Passion Reading Part 3: John 19:17-end

09.04.2023. Easter Day

1st Reading: Acts 2.22-24,29-32,36

2nd Reading: Colossians 3.1-4

GOSPEL: John 20.1-18

16 Apr 2023. Second Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 2.36-41.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9

GOSPEL: John 20.19-31

23 Apr 2023. Third Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 2.42-47

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.17b-21

GOSPEL – Luke 24.13-35

Sunday, 30 Apr 2023. Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 3.1-19

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2.20-25

GOSPEL – John 10.1-10

Sunday, 7 May 2023. Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 4.1-12

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2.4-9

GOSPEL – John 14.1-14

This month's Prayer Points

Our world: Turkey and Syria; Refugees; Ukraine; people of Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Yemen and Pakistan; all who are oppressed.

Our Benefice; our local councils and services; the NHS; our schools; our local groups including scouts and guides.

Our churches: our clergy; our organists; those who work to make our churches safe and welcoming.

Our communities: The sick; The lonely, the housebound, the hungry, homeless and those who are struggling with the present economic difficulties. The departed.

Benefice Services, Notices and Upcoming Events

First Thursday Thirst

6th April 11.00-12.30 in the Church Rooms, Colden Common, and again on 4th May. Join us for tea/coffee and delicious home-made cakes.

St Mary's Church Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Monday 24th April at 19:00hrs

Message from Ros Medd

The APCM will be held at 7.00pm on Monday 24th April in the Church. Do come: there will be refreshments afterwards. Contact the PCC secretary (712463) a week in advance if you need a lift.

Many thanks indeed

Ros Medd

Holy Trinity, Colden Common, Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 30th April at 15.00hrs.

Morestead Church, Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 30th April at 18.00hrs.

St Andrew's Church, Owslebury, Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 14th May following the 11am Service.

Electoral Roll for Twyford – Message from George Medd

As Electoral Roll Officer, I am updating the Roll before the APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) on 25th April. If you are not on the roll, would like to be removed from it, or perhaps know someone who would like to be on the roll, or who has died or moved away, please contact me on 712463 or george@medd.org.uk. Applications may be received anytime, but an annual snapshot is sent to the Diocese which means I need your responses before 11th April for them to be included at the APCM. Being on the roll allows you to vote at the APCM and that you feel connected to the church in Twyford.

Many thanks, George Medd

Benefice Weekly Prayers

Please join with Damon and others on Friday mornings at 10 am on Zoom 421 403 729. All are welcome.

Basics Bank Collections



The boxes for collecting items for the Eastleigh Basics Bank are in the church office porch – in the church rooms' car park: at the back of St Mary's Church and in the playground at St Mary's School at school pick up until 5 pm (Term time only)

There is also a box for Basics Bank collections at the back of St Andrew's Church, to be taken to the Winchester Basics Bank, where donations are also very much needed.

There are still families suffering financially; please continue to be generous if you are able. Suitable items include: Meat meals (stew, hot dogs, curry, ravioli, Fray Bentos pies etc); Tinned meat (corned beef, spam, ham etc); Instant pasta & noodles; Tinned potatoes; Tinned vegetables; Rice; Porridge; Tinned fruit; Milk (long life); Instant coffee; Drinking chocolate; Squash; Loo rolls; Deodorants (men's and women's); Washing up liquid.



Please continue to keep our clergy, organists, Sunday congregations and weekday visitors safe by being sensible and allowing plenty of personal space

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Please send information to be included in the May pew sheet to the benefice office (see above) by midday on Wednesday 26th April, thank you.

Morestead Church; St Andrew's Owslebury, St Mary's Twyford; Holy Trinity Colden Common