

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 29 MARCH: PALM SUNDAY

SERVICES THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Monday-Saturday

- 7.30am **Quiet prayer** (St Clement Chapel)
7.45am **Morning Prayer** (St Clement Chapel)
8.00am **Holy Communion** (Lady Chapel) (Monday-Thursday only)
5.30pm **Evening Prayer** (Monday-Wednesday only)

Thursday

- 10.30am **Holy Communion** according to the Book of Common Prayer.

See opposite for Holy Week and Easter services.

NOTICES

Foot washing for Maundy Thursday We are looking for twelve members of the congregation who would be willing to have their feet washed by the Dean during the Eucharist of the Last Supper 7.00pm on Thursday 2 April. If you would like to take part, please contact Chris George: chris.george@chichestercathedral.org.uk or 01243 812 488

Easter Garden On Easter Eve, 4 April, from 10.00am we will be creating an Easter Garden in the St Mary Magdalene Chapel with the help of our families and young children. If you are interested, please contact Victoria Leslie on 07709 940000 or victorialeslie@yahoo.co.uk.

Holy Dusters Session 2 Also on Holy Saturday (4 April) please come and help make the Cathedral spick and span for Easter. 9.30–11.30, coffee and hot cross buns at 11.30.

Alice Carter Exhibition At 12 Noon on Holy Saturday (4 April) join artist Alice Carter for an informal talk about her exhibition in the South Transept, *Ashes to Fire*. This is a series of bold but also subtle paintings which takes us on a journey from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost. This will be an opportunity to engage with her work at first hand and also a devotional aid during the Easter Triduum.

Easter Vigil The congregation is invited to bring along anything which can make a loud noise - cymbals, bells, drums, rattles - for the triumphant moment we recall Jesus's resurrection.

Easter Day The 11.15 Eucharist on Easter morning will be celebrated at the **High Altar**. The congregation is invited to sit in the Quire & Presbytery as space allows.

Holy Week & Easter Services

[LS] = Livestreamed

Palm Sunday, 29 March

- 8.00am Holy Communion BCP
9.00am Service for Children, Families and Caregivers
10.00am Choral Mattins
11.00am **Sung Eucharist**
Palm Procession; dramatized Passion Reading;
Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean [LS]
3.00pm Choral Evensong [LS]

Monday 30 and Tuesday 31 March

- 8.00pm Compline with short address

Wednesday 1 April

- 12.00pm **Diocesan Chrism Eucharist**
Renewal of Ordination promises; Blessing of oils for use in the diocese
Celebrant and Preacher: Bishop of Chichester [LS]
8.00pm Tenebrae: The Liturgy of Shadows; Organ played by Charles Harrison, Organist

Maundy Thursday, 2 April

- 7.00pm **Eucharist of the Last Supper;**
Washing of Feet; Watch of Prayer until 10pm.
Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean;
Music sung by the Cathedral Choir. [LS]

Good Friday, 3 April

- 10.00am The Easter Story Retold: Service for Children, Families and Caregivers; Hot Cross Buns
12.00pm Reflections on the Passion, led by Canon Vanessa Baron and Canon Earl Collins [LS]
1.30pm **Good Friday Liturgy**
Sung Passion; Veneration of the Cross; Holy Communion
Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean;
Music sung by the Cathedral Choir [LS]

Holy Saturday, 4 April

- 7.30pm **Easter Vigil**
Lighting of the new fire; Baptism and Confirmation; first Eucharist of Easter
Celebrant and Preacher: The Bishop of Chichester

Easter Day, 5 April

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.00am Service for Children, Families and Caregivers
10.00am Choral Mattins
11.00am **Sung Eucharist of Easter Day**
Celebrant and Preacher: The Bishop of Chichester;
Music sung by the Cathedral Choir [LS]
3.00pm **Choral Evensong and Benediction** [LS]

Choral Evensong, at 3.00pm on Easter Day and concluding with Benediction, will be Bishop Martin's final service in the Cathedral before his retirement. All are invited to bid him farewell and stay for a reception after the service.

Friends Coffee Morning Saturday 11 April. Join the Chichester Cathedral Friends for a coffee, cake and a catch up in the Cathedral's South Transept at 10.00-11.15am. (Note this will be the second Saturday of the month rather than the usual first due to Holy Week)

Slow Art Day 2026 The Cathedral will be holding an event for Slow Art Day on 11 April at 10.00am. This annual, international event is to encourage participants to engage with individual works of art. Encouraging slow contemplation of art, the session will be guided by John Workman, an art history postgraduate researcher and member of the Cathedral congregation. Participants will view five artworks in the Cathedral, including John Piper's 1966 Tapestry. then will take part in a guided discussion, discovering more about the artworks and how they work in the sacred space of the Cathedral. Tickets at £8 per person can be booked through the Cathedral website .

FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS, 3 – 6 June 2026

- Baskets! The Flower Stall in the Cloisters sells flower arrangements during the Festival. Most popular were the arrangements in cups and saucers, baskets and jam jars. These sold out quite quickly and were instrumental in the stall's huge success raising funds for the Cathedral. We have lots of cups and saucers and jam jars but are on the lookout for more baskets—could you kindly help us by bringing any surplus baskets to the Trust office in the Cloisters? This frees up cupboard space for you whilst helping us to make a success of the Flower Stall!

We really appreciate your support, thank you and please do come and visit our stall – entry to the Cloisters is free!
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- Can you spare a bottle—or more—of wine for our **wine tombola (the "bottlebola")** at the Festival of Flowers. Canon Bruce Ruddock is coordinating the stall this year and asks if anyone in the cathedral community can offer donations of bottles of wine (nothing too smart!) or a donation with which we can purchase wine for this purpose. Bottles can be left at the Trust Office for storage where the staff will be happy to supply bank details for donations. In recent years the "bottlebola" has contributed

around £8000 to the overall funds raised, so we do hope, we can do as well this year! Many thanks indeed.

The first of this year's **Bell Tower Open Days** will be on the afternoon of Saturday 11 April 2026. Displays and bell ringing demonstrations will be provided. Please book through 'What's on' on the Cathedral website. There are currently spaces available.

Chichester Cathedral Friends All are welcome at Friends events. Book via www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/friends or 01243 812980 (Tuesday/Friday mornings).

- Book After Breakfast Wednesday 15 April, George Bell House, 4 Canon Lane, Chichester. Tea, coffee & biscuits will be served at 10.00am followed by an informal talk by Canon Bruce Ruddock on the book "Nesting" by Roisin O'Donnell.

- Guided Tour of Bishop's Palace Wednesday 13 May, 10.00am, meeting at the Cathedral's West Doors. Tickets £12 per person.

- Visit to Bletchley Park Saturday 13 June. A 1940s themed day at the home of Britain's top secret World War II code breakers. £65pp, by coach, including entry to Bletchley Park. Depart from the Cathedral at 8.00am, return at 5.30pm.

Tales from the Cathedral Library The next session will be held on 21 April exploring When, how and by whom was the Church of England established? 10.00-11.30am in George Bell House. Prior booking is essential at £5 per session, through www.ticketsource.co.uk/chichester-cathedral or on 0333 666 3366.

Dates for your diary: Further details to follow.

Tuesday 12 May, after Evensong—reception for those who have recently joined the Cathedral Friends.

Thursday 14 May, after 5.30pm Eucharist—Ascension Day Garden Party at the Deanery.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a **notice relevant to the ministry and mission of the Cathedral** that you would like to submit for this notice sheet, please contact: chris.george@chichestercathedral.org.uk by 5pm on Tuesday.

If you have any **safeguarding concerns** in relation to the Cathedral, please contact safeguarding@chichestercathedral.org.uk or speak to a member of our Safeguarding team [please see the website or our Safeguarding posters for more details].