

***Welcome to
St Mary's & St Anne's Moseley
Sunday 2 April 2017
Passion Sunday***

Morning Readings:	Hebrews 4:12-16 (p. 217) John 11:1-45 (p. 101)
Evening Readings:	Lamentations 3:19-33 (p. 778) Matthew 25:31-40 (p. 027)
Holy Communion at St Mary's	8:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Mary's	10:00 a.m.
Sung Eucharist at St Anne's	11:00 a.m.
Evensong at St Mary's	6:30 p.m.

Future Services

Sunday 9 April – Palm Sunday

Holy Communion at St Mary's	8:00 a.m.
Palm Sunday Processional Service:	10:00 a.m.
Beginning at St Mary's then moving to the Centre of Moseley and then to St Anne's for the Eucharist.	
Service of Readings & Music at St Mary's	6:30 p.m.

Thursday 13 April – Maundy Thursday

Sung Eucharist at St Anne's	7:45 p.m.
(with an invitation to remain for 1 hour of reflection)	

Friday 14 April – Good Friday

All-Age Worship at St Anne's (followed by crafts and refreshments)	10:00 a.m.
Three-hour devotion at St Mary's (with reflections, prayers, hymns and silence)	12 noon
Walk of Witness (beginning at St Agnes' church)	5:00 p.m.

Sunday 16 April – Easter Sunday

Holy Communion at St Mary's	8:00 a.m.
Festival Sung Eucharist at St Mary's	10:00 a.m.
Festival Sung Eucharist at St Anne's	11:00 a.m.

Prayer & Reflection

The Benefice prays for:

- The Benefice Safeguarding Team.
- Our Ministry Team supporting Balsall Heath & Edgbaston church during their interregnum.
- [Restore](#) helping refugees recover their dignity in the face of adverse media reports.
- As this year's winter night shelter ends, we pray for guests who will be looking for alternative accommodation.
- For the leaders of the nations, for wisdom, courage and compassion.

Prayers are asked for:

Margaret Brown, Pat Dowell, Sam Wylie, Lucy Charles, Matthew, Hannah and Bethany Davies, Nick Ball, Jocelyn Bennett, Jeanette Riddick, Daniel Herman, Sylvia Gold, Alan Jones, Ruth Greenhalgh, Ian Spence, Giles Osborne, Harry Rawlings, Fred Burrows, Jon Montgomery, Sue & John Williams, John & Sue Withey, Debbie Baker, Roger Howling, Bal and Louise, Paul Jones, Sheila Boylan, Graham Underhill, Ryan and Kelly, Rachel Clarkson, Betty Clarke.

We celebrate the Birthdays of:

4th Laura Dowell, Peter Magson,
7th Ben Livings

Preparation

Before each service you are invited to use the time for prayer and preparation for worship. Children are welcome and we want them to be safe whilst they are with us. Parents and carers should be aware that our church is open to the public and they should therefore be aware of where their children are in the building at all times when they are not part of organised activities.

Collect

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thought for the day, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Thought for the Day

Today we are thinking about the Bible as living and active. You might like to follow this up by reading these verses from the Bible each day, reflecting on them as you go about your daily life; what might God be saying to you. How might these words from the Bible change you?

Monday Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. (*Psalms 85:10*)

Tuesday Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times. (*Psalms 106:3*)

Wednesday He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God. (*Micah 6:8*)

Thursday Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, in truth and love. (2 John 1:3)

Friday My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God. (*Psalms 42:2*)

Saturday Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ. (*Galatians 6:2*)

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Welcome

If you are here for the first time, please do introduce yourself to a sides-person or priest. There is a loop system for the hard-of-hearing available in the nave at St Mary's and in all parts of the church at St Anne's.

Lighting a Candle

Please feel free to light candles to pray for someone. Candle stands are in the Magnificat Chapel at the end of the North Aisle in St Mary's. Prayer boards are also adjacent.

Your Offering

A collection for the work of the church is usually taken during each service. There will also be a collection from the parents in the children's groups. Please use the Gift Aid envelope. The Churches will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that you give. Standing order and Gift Aid forms are available in both churches. Please see John Gray at St Anne's or Stephen Lewis or Paul Chew at St Mary's.

Contact details for our Administrator, Vicar, Associate Vicar & Wardens (inc. Hall Bookings)

Church Office: 25 St Mary's Row, B13 8HW
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Email: info@moseleybenefice.org.uk
Church website: www.moseleybenefice.org.uk

This week

Monday 3 April

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Mary's
7:30 p.m. Wardens and Minister's meeting

Wednesday 5 April

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Anne's
6:00 p.m. Silent-Space in St Mary's Lady Chapel

Thursday 6 April

10:00 a.m. Open church with 'Stay & Play' at St Mary's
10:15 a.m. Lent Study in St Anne's Vestry
12 noon Prayers for Palestine/ Israel at St Mary's
12:30 p.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's
6:30 p.m. 'Brumdingers' at St Mary's

Friday 7 April

10:00 a.m. Open church with Pastoral Team at St Mary's

Saturday 8 April

10:30 a.m. Coffee and Co. at St Mary's
1:00 p.m. Wedding of Kirsty Rankin and Tom McAlister

Notices

Maundy Thursday Service

The Maundy Thursday Service at St Anne's will begin at 7:45 p.m.. The Service recalls the Last Supper and the events leading to Good Friday. It commemorates the institution of The Eucharist and The Watch recalls Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. This act of worship offers the opportunity for quietness and reflection and the Service begins with Bach's Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor, where the haunting repeating theme evokes the inevitability of the Passion. This profound piece of music will be an integral component of the act of worship and you are invited to be in place by 7:45 p.m.

A Musical Adventure

17 April, 11:00 a.m., St Columba URC Hall

Easter Monday Children's Concert with the The Dionysus Ensemble. Bite-sized music & plenty of chances for fidgety feet to get up, join in & dance. All children £2 – Adults free. Reserve your tickets online at www.amusicaladventure.co.uk

Have you ever considered ...

... sharing with others in the leadership of the parish? It's an easier task when it's shared and we're looking for folk to join the Church Council at both St Anne's and St Mary's. There is a role description on the noticeboard in both churches or have a word with one of the clergy or a Churchwarden. You never know, it might even be fun!

St Mary's is looking for help

We need some folk to join the group that looks after our buildings and grounds. If you feel you might have practical skills or the ability to work with others who do, including contractors. Please have a word with Duncan, Hazel or one of the Churchwardens.

St Anne's April Charity

This is the refugee agency [Restore](http://Restore.org). Today there will be a display on the work of 'Restore'. Throughout April there will be a plate for donations and a box for gifts of non-perishable food at the back of the church.

Thank you for being generous.

Palm Sunday 9th April 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Come and Sing Passion Music. An afternoon workshop on Passion Music by Handel, Haydn and Telemann, leading to singing in the evening service of Music and readings at 6:30 p.m.. £5.00 includes all music and refreshments. Contact Mick Perrier (07967 595881 / michael.perrier49@gmail.com) for further details.

Good Friday Walk of Witness – Friday 14 April

For churches in Moseley. All ages are welcome to walk or to join the walk at any point, or just to come outside the named church. Outside each church there will

be a short reading and prayer or reflection.

Estimated timings are:

- 5:00 p.m. begin outside St Agnes Church
- 5:20 p.m. along Oxford Road to Calvary Church
- 5:30 p.m. St Mary's and then to the Cross on the Green
- 5:45 p.m. St Columba's
- 6:00 p.m. reaching St Anne's

Books of Remembrance

If you wish to add a name to the Books of Remembrance in time for Easter, details should be forwarded by Wednesday 5 April. Please send the details to either the Benefice office or directly to Nigel Blakey (nigel.blakey@btinternet.com). Please provide the name of the person, their date of death and whether their name should be added to the book at St Mary's or St Anne's.

Publicity Assistant

The Friends of St Mary's Choirs and Music are looking for a publicity assistant to help produce posters, advertising copy and press releases etc. If you are computer savvy and fancy an extra entry on your CV please contact John Carey (j.r.carey@talktalk.net). Might suit an enterprising teenager!



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