

We live life together throughout the week as we seek to embrace and live out our vision, we gather as a community to worship, pray, give thanks and listen in all our services every Sunday. Where else might God be showing up in your week?

Parish Diary

7th April 2019

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Week Commencing 8th April	
Thursday 11th April	
10.00 am	Morning Prayer (St Mary's)
Sunday 14th April	
St Mary's	
8.00 am	BCP Communion
9.15 am	Lively Service All Age
11.00 am	Communion Service for All
St John's	
10.30 am	Morning Praise for all
Readings	
Psalm 118:19-24	
Luke 19:28-40	

Dates for your diary...	
April	
Tues 9 th	Deanery Prayer evening with Bishop Andrew, St Peter's Church, West Molesey 7.30 pm
Sun 28 th	ANZAC Service 6.30 pm

BAPTISM MATTERS

Please note the 2nd Baptism Matters this month will take place on **Tuesday 16th April 8.00 pm, St Mary's**
 For more information, please always check the website or speak to Jonny Blair 01932 917736 or Caroline Merrick 07419 827739.

Mothers' Union we will be meeting on Wednesday 10th April at St John's from 1.30 pm. For further details please contact Carol Heydon.

A next step to deeper faith ...?

We have a thriving network of small groups who meet on different days of the week, at different times of day all around the Parish. It's a great way to make friends, share prayer and study the Bible. To find out more, please contact cathy@waltonparish.org.uk

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This week's theme: Time to give everything

Sunday 7th April	
St Mary's	
8.00 am	Said Communion
9.15 am	Lively Service All Age
11.00 am	Reflective Service with Communion (Hymns: 455,391,375,386)

St John's	
9.00 am	Said Communion
10.30 am	Morning Praise with Baptism

We welcome today the friends and family of Tommy Clarke who will come to be baptised at 10.30 am at St John's.

Readings	
Ezekiel 47:1-12	
Phil 3:4b-14	
John 11:1-8	

From the Vicars...

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Wednesday evening for our annual church meeting. It was wonderful to see so many of you as we reflected on the year past and looked forward to the year ahead. The PCC have chosen these priorities from the Vision as our focus for 2019:

- 1. Accessible Spirit-filled worship:** In particular we are going to focus on prayer.
- 2. Confidence in personal faith:** Through hearing one another's stories of faith and joining Small groups, we will call Life groups because they help us to live in abundant life.
- 3. Being a community of God's people who care, pray together and love one another:** Discovering what it means to be a community of Jesus followers, sharing life together.
- 4. Being involved in church by worshipping, serving joyfully and giving generously.**
- 5. Serve local people with practical and spiritual help:** We also want to take action and help those who are less fortunate than ourselves in W-o-T.

We are excited about the year ahead in our church and look forward to having you alongside us.

Cathy & Jonny

Easter Sunrise Service

5.40 am at Cowey Sale

Join us for this special Easter Sunrise service followed by free light breakfast of tea, coffee and hot cross buns from Gino's Café.

Special Easter Services	
Maundy Thursday 18 th April	Maundy Thursday - Communion Service with Footwashing 7.30 pm (St Mary's)
Good Friday 19 th April	All Age Service 10.00 am (St John's) 12 noon – 3.00 pm (St Mary's)
Easter Sunday 21 st April	Dawn Service 5.45 am (Cowey Sale) All Sunday services as usual

The Real Easter Egg for your family

Out of the 80 million Easter eggs sold in this part of the world every year, **The Real Easter Egg** is the only one which has an Easter story book in the box, is made of Fairtrade chocolate and supports charitable projects. **Order on line** <https://meaningfulchocolate.co.uk/collections/real-easter-egg> or go to Tesco, Asda, Morrison's or Waitrose.



Easter Garden

If anyone would like to contribute any small plants to the Easter Garden could you kindly place them at the back of the church by the Font by Thursday 18th April.

Easter Flowers



If you enjoy seeing the white Easter lilies and would like to contribute to their provision, then please pop your donation in an envelope marked Easter Lilies – St Mary's or St John's and leave at the Parish Office. Thank you

Holiday Club 12th – 16th August

Join our amazing team as we prepare for this year's holiday club. If you have your own children, you can get an early bird booking to guarantee their place (school age children only). **Early bird offer closes TODAY Sunday April 7th.**

Contact Amy Maddocks
amy@waltonparish.org.uk

Morning Prayer at St Mary's - Mondays & Thursdays, 9.15 to 9.45 am, open to all. Mondays we pray for church events; Thursdays we pray for church members; Always we pray for Walton.

Morning Prayer at St John's - In addition to the current Morning Prayer at St Mary's, every Tuesday there is now a short service of Morning Prayer at 8.30 am at St John's.

There's also a very sociable **Saturday morning Prayer** group who meet for breakfast at 9.15 am also at St John's.

Everyone is welcome to any and all prayer meetings. Please come and join us regularly or occasionally.

PARISH PRAYER DIARY

Please pray for: -

Those known to be suffering from illness both seen & unseen, or poor health.

Ann Keeton as she recovers from a stroke. We also continue to pray for Jim Aspinal, Brian Rofe and Pam Gilbert.

The families of those who have died recently: and in times past whose anniversary falls this week: Dennis Sears, Mary Thom, Gladys Dubus

If you wish us to add any family members or people in the Parish, please let the office know and we will add them to the weekly prayer diary.

Trip to Sierra Leone

As a Church, we are considering a visit to see the work of Home Leone in October this year; Home Leone is one of the Mission Organisations we support. Actual dates are Sat, 12th Oct, returning 8 days later on Sunday morning, 20th Oct 2019. This would involve being away from home for 8 nights; 5 working days. The cost will be in the region of £1,000. If you are interested, please speak to Jonny ASAP.

March Draw Walton Bind Society 100 Club:-

- 1st - 4 - Harry Tumilty - Walton on Thames
- 2nd - 32 - Bea & Bradley Heyden - Walton on Thames
- 3rd - 211 - Susan Yates of Greenwich, SE10
- 4th - 219 - Peter Rose of Epsom
- 5th - 127 - Brian Thornton of Walton on Thames
- 6th - 210 - Megan Downer of Esher