



# Crofton Parish Diary

## April

Mon 15-Thu 18	9am	Holy Week Morning Prayer	Holy Rood
Mon 15	7.00pm	Holy Week Meditation	Stubbington Baptist
Tue 16	7.00pm	Holy Week Meditation	Stubbington Methodist
Tue 16	7.30pm	Taize Service	St Edmund's
Wed 17	9.45am	Café coffee and friendship for everyone	Oak Room
Wed 17	7.00pm	Holy Week Meditation	Stubbington Baptist
Thu 18	10am-12noon	St Edmund's Church open to visitors	St Edmund's
Fri 19	11am	Good Friday Churches Together Act of Witness	Village Green
Fri 19	12noon-3pm	Three Hours at the Cross led meditation from 2-3pm	St Edmund's
Wed 24	9.30-11.00am	Little Fish Toddler Group	Hall
Thu 25	10-11.30am	Little Fish Toddler Group	Hall
Thu 25	4-5pm	Prayer Meeting for the Persecuted Church	Oak Room
Thu 25	8pm	Men's Pub Night	Crofton Pub
Fri 26	3.30-5pm	Flame after school youth group for school years 7-10	Centre
Sun 28	4.30pm	Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)	Holy Rood
May			
Wed 1	7.30-9.30pm	Safeguarding Refresher Training	Oak Room
Wed 1	10.30am	Day Time Pastorate, all welcome, coffee served from 9.45am	Oak Room

## Services on Easter Sunday, 21 April

**Hill Head Beach, Salterns Car Park: 6.00am Sunrise Service** led by Ven Gavin Collins  
Breakfast served in the Rotary Hut afterwards

**St. Edmund's: 8.00am BCP Holy Communion** Leader/Preacher: Rev Richard England  
**9.30am The Easter Story** led by Gary Willcocks  
**11.10am Easter Holy Communion** Leader/Preacher: Rev Colin Prestidge

**Holy Rood: 9.30am All Age Holy Communion** Leader: Revd Jude Greenfield  
Preacher: Revd Richard England  
**6.30pm Ascent** Leader: Revd Wing Man Tsang Preacher: Revd Jude Greenfield



## Palm Sunday, 14 April 2019

**Thank you for joining us today at Holy Rood and St Edmund's churches** - you are among friends, and if you are new to this church we'd love the opportunity to answer any questions you might have. Stay for coffee after the morning service at Holy Rood, and stop by the welcome table to say hello - or speak to any of our stewards at Holy Rood or St Edmund's. We are glad you're here and we'd love to see you back next week.

### SERVICES THIS WEEK

#### Palm Sunday, 14 April

##### St Edmund's

##### 9.30am Morning Service

Leader/Preacher: Revd Colin Prestidge  
Bible readings: Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 19:28-40

##### Holy Rood

##### 9.30am All Age Holy Communion

Leader: Beth Yeandle Preacher: Revd Richard England  
**Kings Cross: The End** Bible reading: Mark 15:1-15

##### 6.30pm Ascent

Leader: Revd Richard England Preacher: Kathryn England  
**The Holy Spirit in the Church: Worship** Bible reading: Colossians 3:1-17

**Maundy Thursday 18 April, Holy Communion, 7.00pm**, Holy Rood Church led by Revd Richard England

**Good Friday 19 April, All Age Family Service, 10.00am**, Holy Rood Church led by Revd Jude Greenfield & Beth Yeandle

**Our congregations are encouraged to see giving as part of our worship** - this is often planned giving through the Parish Giving Scheme, by standing order or envelope, and there is opportunity also to make an offering during services.

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**Vicar:** Revd Richard England **Assistant Minister:** Revd Colin Prestidge  
**Curates:** Revd Dan & Revd Jude Greenfield **Youth Worker:** Carolyn Terry **Ministers:** every member



If you are a hearing aid user and would like to make use of the hearing loop, please switch your aid to position and sit in one of the central pews marked with the loop symbol.

## For information & prayer, 14 April

**EASTER AT ST EDMUND'S** All are invited to a **Taize Service in St Edmund's at 7.30pm on Tuesday 16 April**. It is a short service using simple musical lines combined with core biblical texts and silence as we prepare for Good Friday and Easter. On **Good Friday St Edmund's will be open for prayer from 12pm** with a led meditation from 2pm-3pm. There will be two services of Holy Communion on **Easter Day Morning with BCP Holy Communion at 8am** and an **11.10am Holy Communion Service**. At **9.30am** there will be bible readings and hymns to tell the **Easter Story**. All are welcome.

**EASTER AT HOLY ROOD** There will be **Morning Prayer 9am Monday to Thursday** during Holy Week and a **Maundy Thursday Communion at 7.00pm**. On **Good Friday** there will be an **All Age Family Service at 10am** followed by the **Stubbington Churches Together Act of Witness on the Village Green at 11am**. There will be hot cross buns and hot chocolate available after the service. **Easter Sunday** starts with a **sunrise service on Hill Head beach at 6am** followed by bacon rolls and tea or coffee served in the Rotary Hut. Our main service of **Easter Holy Communion is at 9.30am**.

Details of all the services taking place in the Parish during Holy Week and over the Easter weekend can be found on the Crofton Parish Diary on the back of the Welcome Sheet or on flyers at the back of both churches.



### ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM) AND CREAM

**TEA** Our APCM is on **Sunday April 28 at 4.30pm**. We will start the afternoon with a cream tea at 3.30pm to which everyone is welcome. Do look on our website [croftonparish.org.uk/APCM](http://croftonparish.org.uk/APCM) to see the report on last year in the

Parish, how to be nominated for the Parish Church Council and sign up for the Cream Tea. Do prayerfully consider whether you, or someone you know, has the skills and giftings to become a member of our Church Council. Jim Nolan will be stepping down as Churchwarden; if you think that God might be calling you to be our next warden alongside Julie Mizen please talk to Richard. Please pray for this important role within the life of our Parish.



**CHECKING THE ELECTORAL ROLL** The parish Electoral Roll is now closed to new additions until after the Annual Meeting. A copy of the Roll is on display in each church until **Wednesday 24 April**. If you expect to be included, do check that your entry on the Electoral Roll is correct. If there are any errors please contact the Electoral Roll Officer, Mike Terry by email [miketerry100@gmail.com](mailto:miketerry100@gmail.com) or leave a note with the Parish Office.

### CROFTON ANNE DALE FEDERATION IS RECRUITING GOVERNORS!

Could you be just the person they are looking for? They are currently seeking volunteers to fill vacancies on their governing body. The Crofton Anne Dale governors are a friendly team. They invite you to apply for this opportunity to support the school and give something back to the local community. Being a governor is an important and rewarding role. If you are interested you can contact Vicki Edwards in the Parish Office for more information.

**RISEN!** Risen! The Musical is now available on You Tube with subtitles in Mandarin, Spanish and Romanian with English and Vietnamese on their way. All versions can be accessed via [www.risenthemusical.com](http://www.risenthemusical.com) which Ken and Mustard Seed Songs would very much appreciate you sharing this Easter season.

### King's Cross Home Group Questions Week 17 - The End Mark 15:1-15

1. What struck you about what you heard/read? Was there anything you didn't understand or agree with?
2. Did you understand the idea of 'the Great Exchange'? Had you heard the crucifixion explained like this before?
3. Of the nine 'reversals' Richard mentioned, which one stuck out to you? Why? What do you think the Lord might be saying to you?

### BISHOP'S LENT APPEAL - MENTAL

**HEALTH COUNTS** Please pick up a leaflet about this year's appeal focusing on mental wellbeing. The Bishop is inviting contributions to various charities, including 'Heads Together' which brings together a coalition of charities working to promote mental health and wellbeing, tackle stigma and give people confidence to discuss their mental health. If you wish to make a donation, please use one of the envelopes marked 'Bishop of Portsmouth's Lent Appeal 2019'.

**"OPEN"** We are setting up a group to support those with low level mental health issues called "OPEN" and are looking for people to be part of this team. If you are interested please speak to Denise Charlton or Andy Williams. Alternatively contact the Parish Office.

**POTTED PLANTS REQUIRED** In order to create a garden inside Holy Rood Church we require a number of potted plants. If you are willing to lend some to us, please deliver them between **3-4pm on Thursday 18 April** and collect them after the Easter weekend. You will need to ensure that they are labelled, so that they can be returned to their rightful owner.

### Please pray for .....

- **Sarah**, will be starting new medication in a couple of weeks. Please pray that the treatment will be effective.
  - **Beryl**, is now back home continuing with her recovery following a broken hip. She would love to receive visitors, however, please do call in advance.
  - **Margaret**, is not continuing with her chemotherapy as the side effects outweigh the benefits. Please pray for her confidence to be restored and for Mel and the family as they face the future.
  - **Graham**, currently in QA, has now been diagnosed with a myxoma (benign tumour) on his heart which will require surgery at Southampton General. Please pray for successful surgery and healing and give peace to Julia and the girls.
  - **Jessica**, who is 4 years old, has been diagnosed with leukaemia and is presently in QA undergoing chemotherapy. She has recently suffered with an infection, so please pray for healing and freedom from further infections. Please also pray for peace for the whole family, strength to deal with the present situation and an awareness of God's love for each of them.
  - **Michael (Mick)**, is terminally ill with advanced prostate cancer. Please pray for Michael and for his wife, Anne, as she cares for him.
  - **Deanery Cycle of Prayer.** **Today** all churches in the Fareham Deanery will be praying for the Parish of St Mary's, Hook with Warsash. Clergy: Revds Mike & Nicky-Sue Terry, Revd George Gebauer, Revd Bill Day, Revd Roger Moseley, Revd Mike Pye; Readers: Mrs June Ward, Mrs Eva Upward; Wardens: Mr Peter Upward, Mr Roger Clear. They give thanks for the successful completion of repairs to their roof and west window; a great congregational response to their worship survey; a local ecumenical initiative to place three large crosses outside the village hall for Holy Week. They would like prayer for renewed impetus in their Growing Our Church (LYCiG) plans; wisdom as they respond to the worship survey and develop longer-term plans; for people to respond in a fresh way to the resurrection hope of Easter; that their Easter vigil confirmation candidates will experience God afresh at the service.
  - **Community Cycle of Prayer.** **There will be no prayer walking during Holy Week.**
- Please send any prayer requests to the Parish Office [office@croftonparish.org.uk](mailto:office@croftonparish.org.uk)