

Services and events for April

- 3rd - The Eucharist 9.30am
- 6th - The Parish Eucharist 10.30am
APCM 11.45am
Evensong 6pm
- 9th - Lent Luch (see inside)
- 13th - Palm Sunday - **no Morning Praise**
- 14th - 20th - Holy Week (see inside)
- 17th - The Eucharist 9.30am
- 23rd - Beetle Drive & games (someone needed to organise)
- 27th - The Parish Eucharist 10.30am

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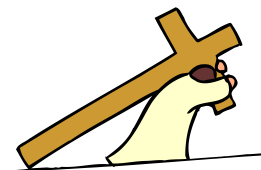
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There will be no 'Word from St. Anne's' this month
owing to the death of Roger's wife Olga.
We send Roger our sympathy and our love



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All Saints with St. Anne's Parish Pump

APRIL 2025



Dear Friends

Holy Week that begins on Palm Sunday leads on a journey towards Easter that contains so many powerful and emotional experiences as we sit and eat with Our Lord at the Last Supper; watch everything that is familiar to us in church stripped away; encounter betrayal and abandonment, suffering and death; and the heart breaking moment when Mary holds her bloodied son in her arms before his hurried burial. We need to experience this, however hard it is to do so, in order to really experience the Easter transformation from darkness to light, death to life, despair to hope, sadness to joy, and fear to courage.

As I write this we are trying to work out the incredible transformation from determined support and backing for Ukraine in her fight against oppression and occupation from a Nation, with her allies, who have together policed the world seeking to avoid global and continental conflict since 1945, to what feels abandonment of Ukraine's future Sovereignty in a drive to turn peace into something at any price, as long as it makes America great again.

Together with the need to find a pathway to a long term secure home for Palestinian's and the security of peace for Israel, we wonder how the powerful message of Easter can and will give hope and life to those who live with conflict, uncertainty, pain, loss, despair and fear.

The Christian Faith is treated with great suspicion and dismissed as being irrelevant today. We have the responsibility of sharing our experience of a living and loving God who transforms our lives, giving them meaning and hope through the life that Jesus gives and offers. However difficult and worrying the world, or our life may be, Easter speaks to us of hope, because we know that God is there before us, in Jesus Christ, our loving, protecting, and guiding shepherd. Our faith is in Christ the peacemaker and reconciler, and our prayer is that he will strengthen us in our faith, and guide us as to how we can be a witness to the light, love, peace, healing and reconciliation that Jesus has revealed to us, and we are called to share in a broken, divided and wounded world, in need of healing and peace with justice, compassion and love.

With love and prayers. Tony



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Lent Lunch

As suggested in the last edition of Parish Pump, there will be a further lunch and reflection on Wednesday, 9 April, at 12 noon, in the Newark. This is an initiative by Bakewell Churches Together and everyone is welcome."



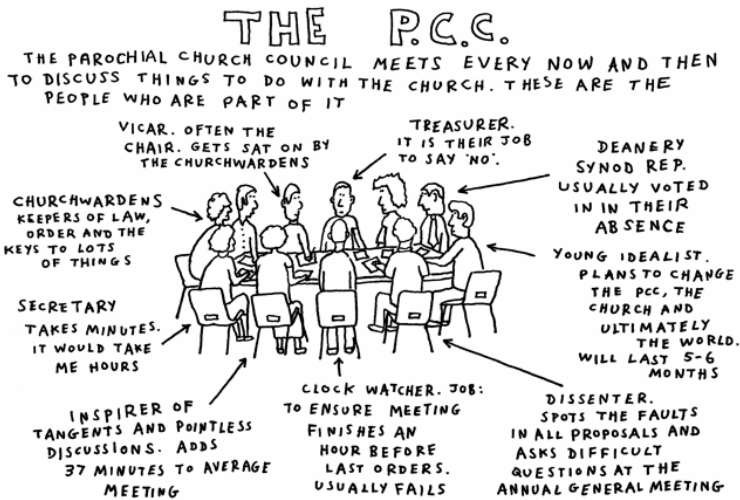
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If you would like to join the draw, please contact Joyce Glencross on 07808 539464 or email - j.glencross@btinternet.com



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We do need new members Which of these would you like to be? (you can't be the Vicar). Contact a churchwarden

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Peak Wesley Way Pilgrimages seem to be gaining in popularity, whether it's walking the Camino de Santiago or walking from Ilam to Eyam and getting your card stamped in All Saints on the way. The Methodists have come up with an imaginative way of using their chapels, which are having to close as congregations dwindle. They have designed a route from Matlock, through Youlgrave, Great Longstone, Baslow, Hathersage and Castleton, ending in Edale. I went to an open afternoon in Great Longstone and saw the chapel, furnished with six camp beds, with pillow and blanket, a shower and toilet and small kitchen. Two to six people can book in and someone is paid to clean the place and provide cereals and milk and fruit. They hope visitors will shop locally and frequent the pub (at a discount!) and travel by train to deter cars from blocking the Peak District. They hope it will bring life into the area. It got off to a good start last year, and already they've had a booking from as far away as Fife in Scotland. It's still early days, so they think things will evolve gradually. It must have involved a lot of hard work and I take my hat off to them. It is a Good Thing

Angela Bird

Holy Week and Easter at All Saints and St Anne's

Palm Sunday 13th April 10am Holy Communion at St Anne's
10.30am Parish Eucharist and Passion Gospel at All Saints' (10.15am Palm Procession from Bath Gardens)

Monday 14th 5pm Stations of The Cross

Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th 7pm Eucharist with Address

Maundy Thursday 17th 7pm Seder Meal with The Eucharist of The Last Supper; Stripping of Church and Watch of The Passion

Good Friday 18th 12noon Bakewell Town Passion (offers to participate are welcome) **1.30pm** Good Friday Liturgy at All Saints'

Easter Day 20th 6am The Lighting of the Fire; The Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter followed by Breakfast

10am Holy Communion at St Anne's

10.30am All Age Easter Eucharist with Easter Egg Hunt, All Saints'
6pm Easter Evensong in The Chancel

"Stay with me. Watch with me- for even one hour."

6th April -After the Parish Eucharist Service

at 11.45am The Annual Church Vestry Meeting to elect Churchwardens followed by **The Annual Parochial Church Meeting** to receive the Reports; The Church Accounts for 2024 and to elect members to the PCC and Deanery Synod.

Thank you to everybody who has served God's Church faithfully over the last year. There will be an election of a new Churchwarden as Dot Bushen steps away and we are thankful for her joint leadership with Sue Marsh, and all that Dot has contributed to the life of the parish during her ministry as a warden and as a friend.

The Profile

Now that Canon Tony's retirement is real and imminent we must turn our minds and brains to the preparation of a profile of our parish, benefice and wider area. This is designed to give prospective applicants for the post of our next incumbent a general idea of what it would be like to live, work and minister in the benefice of Bakewell. In other words, we need to sell ourselves as well as giving an indication of what we would be looking for in a new vicar.

It is of the utmost importance that the profile reflects the views of the **whole congregation**, not just the PCC. We are, therefore, looking for contributions from everyone. We must all be involved in attracting and appointing our new vicar. You can't complain if you haven't taken the opportunity to have your say!

In beginning to prepare the profile would you be prepared to form and lead a small group to consider one (or more!) of the following areas and to produce a short paragraph to cover the same:-

- Description of the parish, to include census information, amenities, tourist and leisure attractions, links with overseas towns, unique features, specific social problems and opportunities, future planned developments, types of businesses etc, maps
- Schools and Education, to include past involvement and visions for the future
- Health care, to include pastoral care in the community
- Other churches and our relationship with them eg Bakewell Churches Together
- Our church community, to include links with the wider community eg Carnival, Christmas Tree Festival, Well dressing

- Our church, to include the history, the state of repair, current and possible future use of the building.
- Our groups and links with the wider community
- Our worship, to include the pattern of services, styles of service and music
- Our vision and mission. How do we marry up with the benefice and diocese?
- Our new vicar, to include what we are looking for in a new incumbent, areas of continuity and challenge, any wishes for the future
- Photographs of a positive and happy congregation!

This list is by no means exclusive and anything you think important should be covered

This is your opportunity to play an important part in the appointment of Tony's successor Please do not pass it by,

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Sue and Dot

We will be asked to review our giving in money, time and talents on April 6th, in the service before the APCM in the Newark.

Jerry Smith of Smith and Roper has agreed to be our Church Architect. It will come more expensive for us, as Ben Roper gave his services for free, as part of his giving to the church, but we have confidence in this local firm.

As part of our looking forward to a change of incumbent, Canon Tony will explain what a viable future pattern of services will look like during the vacancy and beyond at a special meeting.

Tony reported on the Bakewell Churches Together meeting, where it was agreed to jettison the evening joint services, which are poorly attended, but keep what we do well, such as the carnival float; the well blessings; putting up the cross in Bath Gardens during Lent, and the crib at Christmas; Christian Aid Week and initiatives with refugees.

We are looking for two more Trust Governors at the Infant school, to join Alison Davidson. We need to maintain the contact that Canon Tony has had in welcoming the school to the church for the Christingle, Harvest and Easter.

We were delighted to learn that Ruth Sheldon and Julie Lowthorpe have agreed to administer the chalice.

Angela Bird