

Western Christianity—Easter

Shrove Tuesday is traditionally the day before the start of Lent (Ash Wednesday), this meant it was the last opportunity to use up eggs and fats before the Lenten fasting so pancakes were the perfect dish!

Ash Wednesday itself isn't in the Bible, but its meaning comes from biblical themes of repentance, mortality, and humility, using ashes as a sign of grief for sin, referencing Genesis 3:19 (dust to dust). It marks the start to Lent, a 40 day period of spiritual preparation for Easter. The ashes symbolize both our fallenness and God's grace through Christ's sacrifice.

Palm Sunday is a significant day in the Christian tradition, marking the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. It occurs on the Sunday before Easter and is associated with the blessing and procession of palms, symbolizing the crowds that welcomed Jesus by waving palm branches and shouting "Hosanna!" This event is commemorated as the beginning of Holy Week, leading up to Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection

Maundy Thursday initiates the Paschal Triduum, the period which commemorates the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. This period includes Good Friday and Holy Saturday, and ends on the evening of Easter Sunday. The Mass of the Lord's Supper or service of worship is normally celebrated in the evening, (Maundy Thursday) according to Jewish tradition, as the Last Supper was held on the feast of Passover, according to the three Synoptic Gospels.

Good Friday , This shows that Jesus has conquered sin and death, so Christians call that day Good Friday because it revealed the supreme goodness and extraordinary love of God and God's offer of salvation to all people through forgiveness of their sins.

Easter Sunday is a very special time for Christians. After Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday, his body was taken down and buried in a tomb. On Easter Sunday the tomb was empty because Jesus rose from the dead.

CHURCH MUSINGS

February 1st, 2026 to 30th April, 2026

A Prayer for Oldies

Lord, help me in my aging years.
To conquer all my doubts and fears'
My sight is failing fast you see.
So now I humbly turn to thee.
To guide my footsteps day by day.
And keep them in thy chosen way.

**Join us this Easter
to celebrate
Christ has Risen**

**Palm Sunday
Maundy Thursday
Good Friday
Easter Sunday**

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**Don't forget to visit our Church Stall.
at the South Arm Market**



Program for February, March and April 2026



February

Sunday	1st	10am	Lyn Aylett.....	Morning Prayer Service 09:30am to 1pm..... Market Stall
Saturday	7th	10am to Noon.....	Working Bee Church and Cemetery	
Sunday	8th	10am	Rev David Le Rossignol	Communion Service
Sunday	15th	10am	Rev Andrew Lake	Anglican Holy Communion Service
Tuesday	17th	5pm	Shrove Tuesday.....	Pancakes Church Hall
Wednesday	18th	7pm	Rev Paul Elliott.....	Ash Wednesday
Sunday	22nd	10am	Rev Paul Elliott.....	Communion Service

March

Sunday	1st	10am	Lyn Aylett.....	Morning Prayer Service 09:30am to 1pm..... Market Stall
Saturday	7th	10am to Noon.....	Working Bee, Church & Cemetery	
Sunday	8th	10am	Rev Beverley Elliott.....	Communion Service
Sunday	15th	10am	Andrew Lake	Anglican Holy Communion Service
Sunday	22nd	10am	Rev Paul Elliott	Communion Service
Sunday	29th	10am	Hans Kelder.....	Reformed Church Service Palm Sunday

April

Thursday	2nd	7pm	Rev Paul Elliott.....	Maundy Thursday Service
Friday	3rd	10am	Rev David Le Rossignol.....	Good Friday
Saturday	4th	10am to Noon	Working Bee, Church & Cemetery.	
Sunday	5th	10am	Rev Andrew Lake.....	Easter Sunday 09:30am to 1pm..... Market Stall
Sunday	12th	10am	Rev Beverly Elliott	Communion Service
Sunday	19th	10am	Rev Andrew Lake.....	Anglican Holy Communion Service
Sunday	26th	10am	Rev Paul Elliott.....	Communion Service