



Welcome to our services!

In this newsletter you can find all you need to know about what is happening here, what facilities are available and what else is going on at HTC. If you are new or would like further details about the church and what goes on then please pick up a 'Connect' card from the desk in the foyer and speak to one of those involved in leading the services.

Children's and Young People's Activities Today

During the **9.30am** service there is a crèche for under 3's in **Oak/Olive in the Ministry Centre**. All children aged 3+ come into church for the beginning of the service before departing for their Praise Party in the Church Hall

During the **6.30pm service** Pathfinders (11-13) come to the beginning of the service and then go out to the Ministry Centre for teaching and games; and Youth Fellowship (14-18) attend the 6.30pm service, then hold fellowship and small groups after the service.

Today's Services

8am HOLY COMMUNION

Leader and Preacher:

Mike Harle

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9.30am HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: Philip Plyming

Preacher: Chris Jennings

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11.15am MORNING PRAISE

Leader: Mike Harle

Preacher: Katherine Willis

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4pm 4 O'CLOCK CHURCH

Leaders: Sam, James &

Annabelle Plyming

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6.30pm EVENING PRAISE

Leader: Sarah Tapp

Preacher: Philip Plyming

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Recording of Sermons

Recordings of 9.30am sermons can be listened to online or downloaded from our website or CD copies can be ordered from the Church Office.

We have a hearing loop in the main church which runs down the columns. If you wear a hearing aid with a T setting and wish to take advantage of the hearing loop please sit inside the columns, avoiding the back 4 rows on the left.

Refreshments

Tea & Coffee will be served between the end of the 9.30am service and the start of the 11.15am service, and before the 6.30pm service. Squash is also available for the children. We would be delighted if you can stay and join us.

Bookstall

The Bookstall is open each Sunday after the 9.30am service and during weekday office hours for books and greetings cards.

Prayer Room

The Prayer Room is open during office hours Monday to Friday for personal prayer.

This week's prayers

Collect for Palm Sunday:

Almighty and everlasting God, who in Your tender love towards the human race sent Your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon Him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of His patience and humility, and also be made partakers of His resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect for Maundy

Thursday: God our Father, you have invited us to share in the supper Your Son gave to His Church to proclaim his death until He comes: may He nourish us by His presence, and unite us in His love; who is alive and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Good Friday:

Almighty Father, look with mercy on this Your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

New format for prayers on this page

The prayers on this page follow the same pattern as Morning Prayer (8.45-9.15am on weekdays) - so if you're not able to join us in person, please do join us in prayer as we unite as a community to pray for these topics day by day.

Monday - World

- Pray for Colombia following the Mocoa landslide. Pray especially for those who have been injured or bereaved, and those who have lost their homes and their livelihoods.
- Pray for all who were affected by the terrorist attack in St. Petersburg last week. Pray that God will comfort the bereaved, as well as the injured and the fearful. Pray for those working against the threat of terrorism globally.
- Pray for those affected by the war in Syria, especially for those affected by the chemical attack last week. Pray for the clinics, doctors, and aid workers as they treat the injured.

Tuesday – Pastoral/Church Family

- Pray for members of the church family who are currently unwell and especially for: Barbara Adams, Beryl Bailey, Maureen Boddy, Mary Brows, Gillian Caporn, Katie Elmore, Yvette Fountaine, Kate Gifford, Mike Guest, Jackie Hinton, Laura James, Ann McJannet, Ian McQuade, Keith Pask, Heather Patel, Margaret Standish, Diane Treganowan and those going through any difficulty.
- Pray for all who are bereaved, and especially for the family and friends of Elizabeth French, Darren Mann and John Salter.
- Pray for Mike, Caz, Hannah & Isabel Barton who have now moved into The Vicarage in Longridge. Pray for them over the next few weeks before Mike's licensing on 2 May.

Wednesday – Youth, Children, Families

- Pray for our confirmation candidates as they meet on Sunday afternoons to prepare for confirmation. Pray that this time would result in a deepening of their faith.
- Pray for Dads' Toddlers' Praise this Saturday. Pray for those who serve and pray that the children and dads who attend will enjoy a time of fellowship and praise.

Thursday – Mission

- Pray for the work of Faith in Action in Uganda, and praise God for a successful visit by Faith recently, and for the growth of the nursery school and church. Pray for the new church pastor, who is making a hugely positive difference in the village, and for the three new nursery teachers and their pupils.

Friday – Services, Small Groups

- Pray for those leading and preaching at the services on Good Friday and Easter Sunday (see back of this newsletter).
- Pray for the Holy Week services here at HTC. As we remember the last week of Jesus' life, pray that that we will have a deeper understanding of the person of Jesus and what He has done for us.
- Thank God for all of our small group leaders. Pray that God would bless them and give them wisdom as they lead.

This week's notices

Leaving arrangements for Philip

Philip's last Sunday will be 23 April with a **leaving tea** starting at 3pm in the church, which will include thanksgiving and will be instead of 4 O'clock Church and the 6.30pm service - please sign up in the foyer (no charge) if you would like to attend.

Philip's **Service of Welcome** will be at St Oswald's Church, Durham on Mon 8 May at 6pm, and all are welcome - **please let Janet know if you plan to attend so we can book you a ticket!**

If you would like to contribute to a **leaving gift**, address your envelope to 'Brian Howells - PP gift' - if appropriate, make cheques payable to 'Claygate PCC' - bring to the office by Fri 21 April.

Mike B's licensing

Mike B's **licensing** at St Lawrence with St Paul, Longridge, Preston will take place on Tuesday 2 May 7.30pm. **If you are driving and could offer a lift please contact Janet in the office.**

Passover Supper - Thurs 13 April 6pm

A wonderfully visual and interactive event for the whole church family as we re-enact the traditional Passover meal and reflect on what it means for us as we prepare for Easter.

Tickets - adults £6, children £3 - from the Church Office. If you can help serve in various ways, please sign up in the foyer.

Election of Churchwardens, PCC and Emly Deanery Synod members - Mon 24 April

At this year's Annual Meeting (APCM) there will be the annual election for two Churchwardens, also elections to fill 4 vacancies on the PCC and 5 vacancies on Emly Deanery Synod. Nomination forms are available from the welcome desk (return by Sun 16 Apr), but meanwhile do think and pray about whether you might be interested in standing for one of these vacancies. To find out more please speak to Richard. To stand for these vacancies, you need to have been on the Electoral Roll for at least 6 months.

Electoral Roll and Statutory Financial Report

The new Electoral Roll and the Statutory Financial Report are now available for inspection under the main noticeboard in the foyer.

Fire Drill procedure during Sunday services / groups

On hearing the Fire Alarm you should proceed via the fire exits (service leaders / service coordinators / welcome teams / group helpers will assist in directing) to the Fire Assembly Point which is located between The Vicarage and the Ministry Centre. **Parents please note that your children will be brought to you at the Fire Assembly Point** and you should not go to their groups to try to collect them as this will delay the evacuation.

Night Prayer Mon 10 - Wed 12 April 8pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for a half hour service of night prayer ('Compline') in church to help us meditate on the events of Holy Week.

Easter cards for delivery

There are a few bundles of cards left to deliver - so please collect a bundle or two from the foyer and deliver in the next few days!

Weekly prayer through a period of change

The PCC invite you to join them for weekly prayer as we move through a period of change at HTC - every Saturday between 9 - 9.30am at church. Our prayer time will be led by a member of the PCC each week. All welcome!

Adult baptism / confirmation

There is an opportunity for adults to be baptised by full immersion on Easter Sunday, 16 April during the 6.30pm service, or to be confirmed on Tues 16 May at St Nicholas, Thames Ditton. Contact Philip or Richard for info.

Prayer weekend 22-24 Sept

Linda Morgan is leading a prayer weekend at St Cuthman's retreat centre near Horsham - there are two twin rooms remaining (£145 per person inc. all meals) and three single rooms (£160 per person inc. all meals). Contact Katherine in the office to book or for more information.

Baptism Course

The next course for parents who are thinking about baptism for their children starts on Tues 16 May 8.15-9.45pm in the Ministry Centre. It continues for 4 weeks (with a break for half term) and ends on 13 June. Please contact Janet in the office if you would like to find out more.

This week's diary

Mon-Fri	8.45am	Daily Prayer in the Prayer Room
10-12 Apr	8pm	Compline (Evening Prayer) for Holy Week - see over for details
Thurs 13 Apr	6pm	Passover Supper - see over for details
Fri 14 Apr	10am	Meet in station car park for Walk of Witness
	10.30am	All age service for Good Friday
	2pm	Reflective service for Good Friday
Sat 15 Apr	9am	Prayer through a period of change, all welcome - see over
	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre

Sunday 16 April - Easter Sunday Sunrise service on Telegraph Hill 5.30am

8am Holy Communion Leader and Preacher: Linda Morgan	9.30am Morning Praise Leader: Richard Rugg Preacher: Philip Plyming	11.15am Holy Communion Leader: Mike Harle Preacher: Philip Plyming	4pm 4 O'clock Church Holy Communion Leaders: Philip Plyming and Emma Coy	6.30pm Evening Praise with Baptisms Leader: Richard Rugg Preacher: Philip Plyming
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Upcoming Events

Sat 22 Apr	10am	Small group leaders' meeting - repeated Wed 26 Apr
Sun 23 Apr	3pm	Leaving tea for Philip - see over for details
Mon 24 Apr	8pm	Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in church
Tues 25 Apr	3.30pm	Messy Church
Wed 26 Apr	8pm	Small group leaders' meeting - repeat of Sat 22 Apr
Sat 13 May		PCC Away Day in Windlesham
	10am	Dads' Toddlers' Praise in the Ministry Centre
Tues 16 May	3.30pm	Messy Church
	7.30pm	Deanery Confirmation Service at St Nicholas Thames Ditton
	8.15pm	Baptism Course begins
Thurs 25 May	11am	Ascension Day Holy Communion followed by lunch
Thurs 25 May - Sun 4 June		'Thy Kingdom Come' - a national and local period of prayer between Ascension Day and Pentecost - more info to follow
Sun 2 July	3pm	Stuart Sadler's Ordination at Guildford Cathedral - all welcome
Sat 15 July		Claygate Flower Show on the Rec