

ST MARY'S AND ST MARTIN'S

29 March

Palm Sunday

St Mary's 8am service - 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays - Holy Communion (BCP)
 St Mary's 6pm Second Sunday of month - Evensong
 St Martin's 10am service - Parish Communion

THE WEEK AHEAD			
Sunday 29 th Palm Sunday	8am	St Mary's	Holy Communion BCP
	10am	St Martin's	Parish Communion and Procession <i>Gather on St Martin's Green</i>
Monday 30 th	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Tuesday 31 st	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 1 st	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Maundy Thursday 2 nd	No 10am service		
	11am	Cathedral	Chrism Eucharist St Albans Cathedral
	8pm	St Martin's	Holy Communion with Foot Washing and Watch
Good Friday 3 rd	11am	St Thomas More Church	Walk of witness – Meet at St Thomas More
	2pm	St Martin's	Prayers, readings and meditations
Sunday 5 th Easter Day	8am	St Mary's	Holy Communion BCP
	10am	St Martin's	Easter Day Celebrations for all ages, with baptisms and Holy Communion. Starting with Breakfast at 9.30am.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY

Philippians 2:1-11

Matthew 21:1-11

COLLECT: True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. Amen

OUR NEWS

PALM SUNDAY 10AM

Meet on St Martin's Green ready for a joyful procession into St Martin's. Bring a leafy branch or some other greenery from home to wave as we walk, recalling Jesus's journey into Jerusalem.

REVISION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

We will be revising the Church Electoral Roll in preparation for the Annual Church Meeting on **3 May 2026**. All **new applications** must be submitted **before 5 April 2026**. **Forms:** If you are not already on the roll, or if your details have changed, please collect a form from **Anne Purvis** or **Penny**.

OUR NEXT BISHOP OF ST ALBANS

You can read more about Bishop Andrew's introduction day, including his visit to St Martin's and a short video here: <https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/news/andrew-rumsey-next-bishop-st-albans-announcement/>

COULD YOU SERVE ON OUR PCC?

Every Church of England parish has a PCC (Parochial Church Council), a team that plays a vital role in the leadership of our church.

The PCC exists to help our parish play its part in God's mission and ministry, especially here in Knebworth. Together, we work with the Rector to help guide the care of our historic buildings and churchyards, and ensure we act with proper care in matters of finance, safeguarding, and charity law.

The PCC is about contributing to the wider life of the Church and helping to shape the next steps of our journey. We need people with all kinds of different gifts and skills—**please do pray and consider if you could join us in this work.**

EASTER LILIES

Anyone wishing to contribute towards **lilies in memory** of family and friends at **St Mary's** or **St Martin's** this Easter please contact Linda Mitchell or Mary Theobald via the church email: knebworthparishchurch@gmail.com - preferably by the 30th March.

Please remember in your prayers:

- All those known to us who need **healing** at this time, including: Jane Gilbert, Orla & her family, Sue Willis, Father Philip, Helmut, Jonathan Turner, Clare and Ellie & Paul.
- Those who have died.
- The Diocese of St Albans, Bishop Richard as Acting Bishop of St Albans; Bishop Jane; Archdeacon Janet, and all those who support us in our worship and ministry.
- Bishop Andrew, his wife and family, as he prepares for his ministry among us.
- Places suffering from war, conflict and strife, among them: The Middle East, Iran and the Gulf, the Holy Land – Israel and Palestine – Ukraine, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Mali, Yemen, and Sudan.



Remember that clocks go forward this weekend!

Please email any contributions for this e-leaflet by **12.30pm Monday**
to: knebworthnews@gmail.com