

**A reminder** that the Electoral Roll is now being revised in time for this year's Annual Church meeting on April 19th as so is closed for additions and amendments until after the A.P.C.M.

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**Meadowside Community Café** are holding a **Bingo** afternoon on Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup>) . All welcome to come and join in the fun.

**PALM CROSSES** - We are making Palm Crosses this **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 10am** in the Jubilee Rooms and would love your help! No experience is needed – everyone is welcome. Just bring your own scissors and join us.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** Donations towards decorating the Church for Easter would be much appreciated. There is a plate by the church door for your donations. Thank you.

**Craft Club Easter Gifts** are on sale in the Parish Community Hall after Sunday service.

**Maundy Thursday – 2<sup>nd</sup> April** – Please add your name to the list at the back of church if you are intending to come along to the Agape meal.

**Saint Georges' Day Celebration** – Join us on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30pm**. Tickets are £8.50 and available from Sue Dempsey.

**Confirmation Service 2026** is Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May. If anyone is considering to be confirmed, please see Rev Janet.

**Woodchurch Great British Spring Clean – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** at 9.30am-1.30pm at Carrbridge Community Centre – equipment and light refreshments on the day.

### HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

6pm Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Stations of the Cross
10am Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Holy Communion
6pm Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Maundy Thursday Agape and foot washing in the Parish Community Hall followed by stripping of the altar, vigil and ending with Compline in Church
<u>GOOD FRIDAY</u> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	
10am	Walk of Witness starting from Holy Cross
12 Noon – 1.30pm	Messy Good Friday in Parish Community Hall
2pm-3pm	Hour of the Cross led by Rev Capt John Reed

## Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch

Growing disciples of Christ

**SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2026**  
**THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

*Welcome!*

**Welcome to everyone here today!** A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time. Please do stay for refreshments after the 10am service in the Parish Community Hall. **Gluten free wafers** are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

**Collect:** Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Post Communion:** Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you; give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### Readings for 8am and 10am – YEAR A

1<sup>st</sup> Reading (**8am & 10am**) Romans 8: 6-11

Psalm (**8am**) 130

Gospel (**8am & 10am**) John 11: 1-45

**8.00am** Holy Communion – Preacher Rev Janet  
**10.00am** Holy Communion – Preacher Rev Janet  
Hymns at 10am: 662/528/476/299/84/666  
**12 Noon** **NO** Baptism



**CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:**

<u>Monday</u>	23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	9.00am 2.00pm	Morning Prayer Craft Club in Jubilee Rooms
<u>Tuesday</u>	24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3.00pm	Lent Group – <i>please see Jan Lupton for further details</i>
<u>Wednesday</u>	25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am 10.45am 1.15pm 7.00pm	Holy Communion Church Cleaning Community Café in the Parish Community Hall <b>with Bingo</b> PCC meeting in Parish Community Hall
<u>Thursday</u>	26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	7.00pm	Growth Group at Rectory
<u>Friday</u>	27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1.00pm	Golden Wedding Anniversary blessing in Church
<u>Saturday</u>	28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Making Palm Crosses - Jubilee Rooms

**SUNDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026  
PALM SUNDAY**

8.00am	Holy Communion	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Isaiah 50: 4-9a <b>(8am &amp; 10am)</b>
10.00am	Holy Communion <b>Starting from the Parish Community Hall</b>	Psalms	31: 9-16 <b>(8am)</b>
12 Noon	<b>NO</b> Baptism	Gospel	Matthew 21: 1-17 <b>(8am &amp; 10am)</b>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Sun: Brackendale. Mon: Brentwood Court.  
Tue: Bridge Farm Close. Wed: Caldwell Drive.  
Thu: Carr Bridge Road. Fri: Carr Hey Close.  
Sat: Cheshire Acre.



**Those who are ill:**

Brenda, Denise, Tony, Ted, Liz, Carmel, Joyce,  
Lesley, Ray

**We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:**

*"Give rest O Christ to your servants with the saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing but life everlasting. Amen"*

**Years Mind**

William Mills, Mark McNee, Phyllis Eden, Phyllis Piggot,  
Ivy Russell, Eric Crossland, John Sumpton,  
Raymond Houghton, John McGeorge,  
Raymond Sanderson, Harry Pugh, Joan Lunam

**Our verse for the year**

*"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; you are Mine!"*  
*Isaiah 43 v 1*

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