

NOTICES

APCM - The annual parochial church meeting will take place on **TODAY (6th April) at 11.30am** in the Parish Community Hall.

REVISION of Electoral Roll 2025. Please note that the Roll is now closed for additions or alterations until after the Annual Church meetings on April 6th. Only those who applied to be on the new Roll before the closing date can be elected to office or vote at the A.P.C.M.

Ian McKenzie (Electoral Roll Officer).

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.

Mothers' Union meeting on Tuesday 8th April 2pm in the Parish Community Hall. Our speaker is Fiona Dodd from the Hearing Dogs for Deaf People. Everybody welcome to join us.

Woodchurch WI on Thursday 10th April at 1.30pm with speaker Nina Olsson on Sledding with Snow Dogs. All welcome.

Saturday 12th April - Prayer Painting a wonderful experience which requires no painting skills! (10am to 12 Noon) and **Making of Palm Crosses (1pm)** in the Jubilee Rooms. If you are expecting to be present for both, Rev Janet will lay on some lunch of homemade soup & a roll (please let her know if you hope to attend), thank you.

Maundy Thursday Service followed by a silent **Vigil** 'til 8.50pm, then concluding with **Compline** for 9pm. If you are considering having a foot washed, please come prepared, please feel free to come and not have your feet washed too!

Community Craft Club - Our Easter gifts will be available today plus our weekly raffle for a chance to win a crochet bunny! Tickets £1, drawn during refreshments. All proceeds to Church funds.

Sponge Cake Competition – Judging on 13th April (Palm Sunday). Please put your name on your container and follow the recipe exactly.

Barn Dance - Tickets Available Now! Join us for a fantastic **Barn Dance** on **Friday, 6th June** at the Parish Community Hall. Doors open at 7:00 PM – Dance till 10:30 PM. **Tickets: £10** per adult, **£5** per child (under 12), **£25** family ticket (2 adults + 2 children). **Ticket price includes supper! Bring your own drinks & glasses.** Enjoy **live music and a caller** for a night full of fun! **Get your tickets now!** Call the Parish Office for tickets or see Ian McKenzie. **Raffle on the night – donations for prizes are greatly appreciated.** We can't wait to see you there!

Woodchurch Connect are holding a weekly **Cuppa & Cake Club** every Monday (**starting 7th April**) from 9.30am to 11.30am at the Parish Community Hall. Donations for coffee and cake to Wirral Connect.

Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch

Growing disciples of Christ

SUNDAY 6TH APRIL 2025

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(Passiontide begins)

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: – Page 834 - *The Common Worship Lectionary*)

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion: (*Page 836 - The Common Worship Lectionary*)

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 C

1st Reading (**8am**) Isaiah 43: 16-21

Psalms (**8am**) Psalm 126

Gospel (**8am & 10am**) John 12: 1-8

8.00am Holy Communion – *Preacher Sue Mountford*

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Hymns at 10am: 336/212/332/87/574/252

Mass Setting: All Age Worship – All Said

11.30am **APCM Meeting**

12 Noon **NO** Baptism



CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

<u>Monday</u>	7 th April	9.00am	Morning Prayer in Church
		12.15pm	Choir practice in Church
<u>Tuesday</u>	8 th April	8.00pm	Bible Study via Zoom
		2.00pm	Mothers' Union
<u>Wednesday</u>	9 th April	10.00am	Holy Communion
		1.15pm	NO Community Café in the Parish Community Hall
<u>Thursday</u>	10 th April	7.00pm	Lent group at The Rectory
<u>Saturday</u>	12 th April	10am-12 Noon	Prayer Painting in the Jubilee Rooms
		1pm	Making Palm Crosses in the Jubilee Rooms

**SUNDAY, 13TH APRIL 2025
PALM SUNDAY**

8.00am	Holy Communion	1 st Reading	
10.00am	Holy Communion	Psalm (8am & 10am)	Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-end
12.30pm	Baptism	Gospel (8am & 10am)	Luke 19: 28-40

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sun: Archers Court. Mon: Archers Way.
Tue: Arrowe Court. Wed: Arrowe Park Cottages.
Thu: Arrowe Park Road. Fri: Atherton Drive.
Sat: Beechwood Court.

Those who are ill:

Bill, Marina, Alan, Eddie, Peter (Rev), Mary, Wendy,
Elaine, Peter, Frances



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

Sydney Morris

"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

James Philip Alcock, Denis Shine, Norma Whitehead, John Eden, Valerie Hall, Andrew Maddocks

Advance Notice for Holy Week Services: Sunday 13th April - Palm Sunday. The 10am service will begin in the Parish Hall and we will have a procession with Palms into church. There are extra services during this week which are as follows, Tuesday 15th April Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm, Wednesday 16th April Holy Communion at 10am, Maundy Thursday 17th April Holy Communion at 7.00pm with washing of feet and stripping of the altars, 8pm The Vigil, 9.00pm Compline Good Friday 18th April Walk of Witness (starting at Holy Cross) 10am, Messy Easter 12 noon, Last hour on the Cross 2pm. and Easter services at 8am and 10am on Easter Sunday.

Our verse for the year

"For with you is the wellspring of life; in your light we see light"
Psalm 36 v9

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