



**St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh**

**Palm Sunday**

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

## **THIS WEEK:**

### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April (Palm Sunday)**

**8am: Holy Communion (CW)**

**10am: All Age Communion**

***Beginning at the Lych Gate, weather permitting***

### **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April (The Monday in Holy Week)**

**10am: Sewing and Knitting Group (in church rooms)**

**6pm: Words and Music for Holy Week**

### **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April (The Tuesday in Holy Week)**

**12noon: Holy Communion (BCP)**

**6pm: The Way of the Cross (at Elmbridge Manor Hall)**

**Everyone is invited to join, and stay for a bring and share supper.**

### **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April (The Wednesday in Holy Week)**

**2.30pm: Knowle Park Communion**

**6pm: Address and Compline sung by choir of men**

### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April (Maundy Thursday)**

**10am: *\*\*No Time for Prayer this week\*\****

**11am: Blessing of the Oils and Renewal of Ministerial Vows (Cathedral)**

**6pm: Choral Communion with Feet Washing and Celebration of the**

**Last Supper, followed by quiet vigil until 8.30pm**

### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April (Good Friday)**

**9.45am: Short Sung Morning Prayer**

**10.30am: Walk of Witness to Stocklund Square**

**10.45am: Ecumenical Service of Witness at Stocklund Square**

**2pm: An Hour before the Cross**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April (Easter Sunday)**

**7.30am: Easter Ceremonies and Holy Communion**

**10am: All Age Communion**

**6pm: Festival Choral Evensong**

**COLLECT:**

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*or*

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.

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION:**

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**FIRST READINGS: *Philippians 2.5-11***

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **GOSPEL READING: *Luke 19.28-40***

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!' Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

## **INTRODUCTION TO THE PEACE :**

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

## **SEASONAL PREFACE:**

It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty.

The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified.

He is the victim who dies no more, the lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and *saying*:

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

## **BLESSING:**

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing . . .

## **WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

### **Church and Christian Ministry:**

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – The Church of England
- In the Diocese – for Dean Bob and the Ministry Team at the Cathedral
- In the Parish – Roy, Erik and the rest of the Ministry Team

### **National and World Affairs:**

- For peace in the world, and especially in the Middle East, Ukraine and Russia and Southern Sudan, giving thanks for the fragile negotiations which are taking place in an effort to secure peace in Ukraine and Russia.
- For all who suffer as a result of natural disasters, and especially at this time the people of Myanmar

### **Community and Family:**

- For those who live in Longhurst Avenue and Caspian Close
- For Cranleigh Sports and Social Club

### **The Sick and those in Need:**

- Helen Allen, Jane Bloss, Hazel Cherry, Claire Curry, Jack Lewis, Patrick, Jean Quallington, Valerie Spears, Margaret Tilbury, Michael Trent, Val, Jeremy Watts, Sylvia Wright
- *(And for those with long-term prayer needs):* Baby Atticus and his parents Clare and Alex, Neil Charman, Annie Cotterill, David, Peggy Davis, Jean Dodd, Stella Goldsmith, James Goudie, Jane, Bryn Jones, Kirsty, Lottie Lack, Sheila McSorley, Mo, Judy Murdoch, Libby O'Brien, Brian Pettyfer, Ron Reynolds, Peggy Ringshall, Martin Root, Steff

Shepherd, Sheila Smith, Dolores Spurgeon, Bert Steed, Val Thorogood,  
Marilyn Wood

**The Departed:**

- All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years, and especially at this time Anthony Harrow, Tricia Hislop and Ian Ross.

**WEEKLY NOTICES:**

**THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

**will be held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**at 7.30 p.m. in the Church**

All Church Members are invited to attend. Apologies for non-attendance and Any Other Business should be notified in advance to the PCC Secretary, [paul@stnicolascrsanleigh.org.uk](mailto:paul@stnicolascrsanleigh.org.uk); Tel: 548824

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April for holiday.

**ST ANDREWS CHURCH AT GRAFHAM** will be open on Easter Monday 21 April, 11am - 4pm. See the tiny church full of Easter flowers. Homemade refreshments will be available. Parking in the old school car park just below the church.

**IGNITE – DATES FOR NEXT TERM** Please do get the following dates in your diary for our upcoming teenager events. We normally meet on Sundays from 5 to 6pm and aim to provide a space for teenagers to have fun, deepen friendships, reflect, ask questions, and be built up in the Christian faith. Our events for the summer term:

27/04/2025	Minecraft Evening
04/05/2025	Questions around Evil
18/05/2025	Brainwork: Quiz evening
01/06/2025	Stations of the Cross (this one will be from 5 to 6.30pm at Wintershall)
22/06/2025	Edible Art
06/07/2025	Bowling with the Family ( <b>parents and siblings welcome!</b> ) <b>2.30-4.30pm</b>

**MOTHERS UNION** are in need of some plastic storage boxes to store MU items in our cupboard and make it easier to carry things to meetings. If you have any that you no longer need, or if you would be prepared to donate toward purchasing some, please let Jane Etherington or Katherine Tuck know. Many thanks.

**CRANLEIGH CHORAL SOCIETY** invites you to 'Come and Sing' on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at St Nicolas Church Rooms. We will be rehearsing the Duruflé Requiem from 2.00pm with a break for tea and cake prior to a low key performance, concluding at 5.30pm. The cost is £10 plus the hire of the score if required. The society will be rehearsing and performing the Requiem in Spring term 2026 and so you are welcome to join us then as well. We look forward to welcoming you. For more information go to [cranleighchoralsociety.org.uk](http://cranleighchoralsociety.org.uk).

**RAFFLE PRIZES** needed for Rectory Fete. Donations can be brought to the church office. Thank you

**TEAS FOR CONCERT** Would anyone be able to make and serve teas following the concert on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May in church? Donations of cakes and biscuits would also be most welcome. Please let Nicola know if you can help [nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk](mailto:nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk)

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** If you or your child would like to make a deeper commitment to the Christian faith, why not join our confirmation classes starting after Easter? Or if you'd just like to explore questions around faith but are not quite sure yet if you'd like to do confirmation, you are most welcome to come along as well! We are planning sessions for teenagers (Wednesday evening 7pm on 7 May, 14 May, 21 May, 4 June, 11 June) and for adults (Tuesday evening 8pm on 20 May, 27 May, 3 June, 10 June, and a start lunch on Sunday 18 May. The Baptism and Confirmation service is planned for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> of June at 3pm. Please also put the Confirmation Rehearsal in your diary, on Sunday 8 June at 12noon. Contact [Erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk](mailto:Erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk) to sign up or for more information.

**RUNNER BEANS** Would you like me to grow a pot of Runner Bean plants for you to plant in your garden? 10 plants for £3 or 6 for £2.40, ready mid to late May. ORDERS to Win Bracking 275573. I can deliver. All proceeds to Plant Stall/Rectory Fete.

PERENNIALS Please don't forget me if you are dividing yours. Watch out for sales table at my gate in Kings Road.

**MEMORY LANE** have their walk at 10.30am around Knowle Park on Monday 14th April and again on 12th May, but unfortunately there will be no Memory Lane in the Arts Centre on Easter Monday.



**MOTHERS UNION:** We have a thriving Mothers' Union which meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Anyone is most welcome – contact Jane Etherington on 01483 274319 / [etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk) for more information



# HOLY WEEK SERVICES

## SUN 13th APRIL - PALM SUNDAY

8.00am **Holy Communion**

10.00am **All Age Communion**

beginning at the Lych Gate, weather permitting

## MON 14th APRIL

6.00pm **Words and Music for Holy Week**

8.00pm **Easter Story in the Three Horseshoes snug bar**

## TUES 15th APRIL

12noon **Holy Communion**

6.00pm **The Way of the Cross at Elmbridge Retirement Village.**

(everyone welcome to join and stay for bring and share supper)

## WED 16th APRIL

6.00pm **Compline and Address sung by the choir of men**

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

6.00pm **Choral Communion with Feet Washing**

7.00pm **Quiet vigil until 8.30pm**

## GOOD FRIDAY

(church will be open all day for private prayer)

9.30am **Short Sung Morning Prayer**

10.30am **Walk of Witness to Stocklund Square**

10.45am **Ecumenical Service of Witness at Stocklund Square**

2.00pm **An hour before the Cross.**

## EASTER DAY

7.30am **Easter Ceremonies and Holy Communion**

10.00am **All Age Communion**

6.00pm **Festival Choral Evensong**



# EASTER SUNDAY

20TH APRIL

7.30AM:

EASTER CEREMONIES &  
HOLY COMMUNION

10AM:

ALL AGE COMMUNION

6PM:

FESTIVAL CHORAL  
EVENSONG



# EARTH DAY

Be the change you wish to see in this world

## TUESDAY 22ND APRIL

JOIN US IN MAKING AN ECO-PLEDGE AND  
ADDING YOUR STONE TO OUR ECO DESIGN



Meet by the Garden of Remembrance  
in the Churchyard

3.30pm-4.15pm



# MUSIC FOR A SPRING AFTERNOON

SATURDAY 10TH MAY, 3PM

St  
**N**ICOLAS  
CRANLEIGH

JOIN US FOR AN HOUR OF BEAUTIFUL  
MUSIC INCLUDING MOZART, HANDEL AND  
DEBUSSY, FOLLOWED BY TEA AND CAKE.

NICOLA STOCK SOPRANO

ELEANOR HARVIE MEZZO SOPRANO

SIMON EVANS VIOLIN

JULIAN DAVIS PIANO

Proceeds to help maintain this beautiful church by  
kind permission of the Rector and church wardens

## KEEP IN TOUCH:

**Rector - Revd Canon Roy Woodhams** (*Day off: Monday*)

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*Do you have a question about faith or the church? Or would you just like to get to know us better? Roy and Erik are always very happy to meet for a cup of coffee, tea, or a pint, just get in touch with us using our contact details above!*



You can make an online donation in support of church funds by visiting the [website](http://www.stnicolascranleigh.org.uk), clicking on the red button or scanning the QR code.

