



Bulletin for Sunday 29th March 2026

Palm Sunday

In Lechlade Memorial Hall – Main Hall: 5.00pm

Holy Communion

Hymns: 129(T1), MP99, MP457, Behold the Lamb, 287, 556

Trinity Mass – Thorne (Kyrie's, Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus)

Anthem: Hosanna to the Son of David – Hutchings

In the Baptist Church at 5pm : Healing Service

Prayer Pointers

(please take this bulletin home with you to pray)

- ✚ This **Holy Week** as we follow the events in the last week of Christ's life, give thanks for the sacrifice of his life at Calvary. Pray for all our Holy Week and Easter services, and especially for visitors who may be joining us on these occasions.
- ✚ Pray for diplomacy, dialogue and **de-escalation in the Middle East**; for violence to cease; for protection from harm in Iran, Lebanon and across the Middle East; for respect for human rights and the dignity of God's children to prevail; for leaders and decision-makers worldwide to act justly, quickly and decisively to provide much needed practical support for suppressed civilians.
- ✚ Following the UN Sustainable Development Goal 13 "**Climate Action**", pray for an awareness of the worldwide need to curb consumption and combat climate change, remembering especially those affected by extreme heat or devastating floods. May we all play our part in this.
- ✚ **Gabriel Parra (Valparaiso, Chile)** writes: *We face a great challenge as a church, which is that we are moving from the school where we used to meet in Playa Ancha and, to save money, we are now meeting in the small St Mark's Church on the outskirts of Valparaiso. But our dream is to move to St Paul's Cathedral in the city's tourist heritage district. I ask for your prayers in this regard.*



Tips for wasting less energy:-Unplug appliances not in use and switch off standby mode; devices on standby still draw power. Spring clean your emails and cloud storage; data centres use enormous amounts of energy and water. (See <https://climatestewards.org/resources/carbon-fast-for-lent/>)

Midweek Prayer and fellowship, do join us:

1st Monday (usually!) each month: we meet for our monthly Parish Prayer time, currently at the Vicarage.

Wednesdays 9am: we meet in the cottage to pray for half an hour – for our church, town and world.

Toilet facilities in the Memorial Hall are the opposite side of the foyer to the main hall (left as you go in). The Baptist church also has toilet facilities on site.

PARKING: At the Memorial Hall there is a large car park including spaces for disabled parking. For the Baptist church there is on-street parking along Sherborne Street or Oak Street/Burford Road.

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Dates for your Diary

Mon. 30th March – 7.30pm 'Be still!' Lent Group Service at the Baptist Church., when all the Lent Groups share insights from their group meetings. Everyone welcome, even if you have not been attending a group.

Tues. 31st Mar – 7.30pm Concert at the Memorial Hall – by the ever-popular Lechlade Occasional Choir led by Colin Dowdeswell. A variety of enjoyable music – entry free – wine/soft drinks available - donations at the end of the concert please, in aid of Project Inspire.

Thurs. 2nd, Apr – 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall – Maundy Thursday Agape Meal – join us to share in a meal.

Fri 3rd Apr – 10am at the Memorial Hall – Good Friday Reflections at the Cross with the choir. Join us for an hour sharing contemplations and music for Good Friday.

'Church on the Move' Easter Celebration for families - Easter Sunday, 5th April, 10am, meeting at the church cottage for an outdoor Easter celebration, with an Easter Egg Hunt. Come suitably attired for being outdoors. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Mothers' Union Wed. April 8th at 2pm in the Memorial Hall. Mike Boyes- photographic presentation 'Nature within easy reach of Lechlade'. All welcome.

Other Items

Open Gardens on Saturday 6th June - Please put the date in your diary now! Would you like your garden to be included in this **Project Inspire** fund raising event? If so, please speak with Susan Holmes (253268) or Richard Bell (253888). Full details nearer the event.

Advance notice: Calling all women! Women's Day Conference on Hebrews: 'Running with Endurance' St Mary's Church, Maidenhead Sat. 16th May £25 concessions £17.50 (+transport) see Kate Cinnamond for information. Sign up sheet at the back of the Memorial Hall

Save the Date! This year's very popular Holiday Club (Big Top Holiday Bible Club) will be running on Mon 24, Tues 25 and Wed 26 Aug, in the Memorial Hall. There will be a short initial meeting after the Sun. morning service on 22nd March (11:30am) in the memorial hall for anyone expressing an interest to help in any capacity. Please speak to Andrew/Kate if you cannot make the meeting but are interested in helping.

Electoral Roll 2026 - It is time to revise the Electoral Roll in advance of the APCM in May. Most people who are not on the Electoral Roll but are on ChurchSuite have been emailed, but if you have not received an email and are not sure if you are on the Roll please speak to Lesley or check with/email the office. Completing the form online is easy, but paper copies are available if needed.

Giving to the work of St Lawrence

There will be a **collection** in our services, or you can use the contactless unit by the Hall entrance. Or scan this QR code to go to the giving web page and a gift aid declaration.



Parish Giving Scheme – a great way to give to the work of the church through your bank account. If you would like to know more please take a pack or speak to Andrew our Vicar or Lesley our Administrator.

When **shopping online** please do try **Easyfundraising**, a way to raise funds for St Lawrence as you shop online, at no cost to you! All giving details are on the web page: www.stlawrencelechlade.org.uk/donate-to-st-lawrence