

Part of Thy Kingdom Come and our Rhythm of Life

This May, you are invited to step into a nine day journey from the **15th to the 23rd** that weaves across the whole Diocese of Bristol—an adventure of prayer, story, and hope.

Walk with us on our Bristol Diocesan Pilgrimage 2026, as together we walk, pray, and sow seeds of God's kingdom in every corner of our diocese.

The Pilgrimage will stop at St Mary's, Almondsbury on the evening of **Wednesday 20th May**.

After a night in the church and breakfast, pilgrims will leave St Mary's for the next stage of the walk towards Henbury and Sea Mills.

St Mary's has been asked to provide an evening meal on the 20th, breakfast and showers on the 21st, please contact Lucy Rogers if you can help.

You can find more information or to reserve a spot to join the walk on the Diocese of Bristol website: details by scanning QR code below:-



Please email **items for this Notice Sheet** to office@stmaryssevernside.org.uk by **12 Noon on Tuesday each week**. Our website, www.almondsburychurch.org.uk includes the notice sheet, so all content will be on the web.

Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

The latest three Notice Sheets are normally available at www.almondsburychurch.org.uk/notice-sheets/
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Church Office opening hours. Currently there are no set opening hours. We will aim to reply to emails within 48 hours Monday-Friday

St Mary's Almondsbury Church News



In the community, for the community

Sunday 26th April 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Breath



Bible Readings

Ezekiel 37:1-10 John 20:19-23

8.30am Holy Communion (CW)

Led by Paul Van Rossum

10.00am All Age Service

Led by Astrid Domingo Molyneux and Paul Van Rossum

Knowing Jesus and making Him known

From the Vicar

Christian Aid Week 2026: can you help?

Christian Aid Week will 2026 take place between Sunday May 10 to Saturday 16 May. The annual collections raise funds for projects targeting extreme poverty and this year this focus is on empowering urban farmers in Nairobi, Kenya.



Eunice Lester is organising the collection around the village but **we urgently need 10 more people to help with this.** It will involve dropping the envelopes through the doors of the number of roads allocated to you and then collecting the envelopes again in the course of the week.

If you are able to help, please can you let me know as soon as possible please.

The Familiar Stranger

Our six-part sermon series on the Holy Spirit continues this week. It draws on the book 'The Familiar Stranger: (Re)introducing the Holy Spirit to those in search of an experiential spirituality' by Tyler Staton. The full series is:

19 April	The Familiar Stranger
26 April	Breath
3 May	Water
10 May	Dove
17 May	Simon and Nicodemus
24 May	The Way of Love

Copies of the book are available from Eden.co.uk or, including Kindle and Audio versions, from Amazon.co.uk. If you would like to look at a copy of the book before deciding please speak to Paul van Rossum

QR code for donations to St Mary's Church.
Thank you for your generosity.



We are sorry to hear of the death of Brian Davidge, who was a very long standing member of the Choir. His funeral will be in church at 1.30 pm on Monday 27 April.

Please pray for Beth, Brian's daughter, and the wider family.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING



Do come and join us for a drink,
cake & chat

WEDNESDAYS 10-11.30am
IN ST MARY'S CHURCH

ENCOUNTER

All are invited to an informal evening service in church with sung worship, time to pray and explore the Bible. We meet at 6.30pm on the first Sunday of every month, the next service is on **3rd May**.

BABIES AND TODDLERS

Every Tuesday in term time 1.45pm until 3.30pm in Almondsbury Church. All parents, grandparents and carers with their babies and toddlers are welcome.



Prayer requests

The PCC encourages us all to pray for....

1. Peace in areas of conflict
2. Appointment of a new Bishop of Bristol

DIARY DATES

Please pray for our services and events today and during the week.

Monday 27th April

1.30 - 2.30pm Funeral of Brian Davidge
3.15pm Handbells Practice
7.30pm Bellringing Practice

Tuesday 28st April

8am Tuesday Prayer - Old Cottage Hospital
1.45 - 3.30pm Toddlers in church
7.30pm Worship & Mission Committee Meeting
7.30pm Finance & Building Committee Meeting

Wednesday 29th April

10.00 - 11.30am Coffee morning in church
7.30pm Home Group - more details below

TUESDAY PRAYER

All are invited to a time of morning prayer every Tuesday morning at 24 Gloucester Road (Old Hospital). Arrive from 8am, pray from 8.15- 8.45am.

WEDNESDAY HOME GROUP

This week's Home Group is at the Old Hospital. We are studying a series on Angels. Everyone is very welcome. For more information please speak to James or Lucy Rogers, or Mike or Celia Jenkinson.

Prayer for you or for others

If you would like someone to pray with you after a service, for anything concerning you in your life or someone else's, please speak to a Minister.

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The Church Wi-Fi password is: godisgood