

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

Mon 15th April	1.15pm	Handbells Practice
Mon 15th April	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice
Tues 16th April	8.00 am	Prayers @ the Old Hospital-
Tues 16th April	1.45pm	Toddlers
Wed 17th April	3.30pm	Messy Church
Sun 14th April	8.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
Sun 14th April	10.00am	All Age Communion Service

MESSY CHURCH

Wednesday 17th April at 3.30pm
in Almondsbury Church.

Please come and join the team for a Bible story, song and crafts followed by sharing food together.

Online HOME GROUP

All are welcome to the homegroup on Wednesdays at 7.45pm for 8pm: <https://zoom.us/j/9312563357?pwd=REd3VkVkcUt3U0dKQlNWRWkyTHFaZz09>
Meeting ID: 938 1727 632 Passcode: 340584

Collect for 3rd Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

Communion

We welcome to receive communion: a) confirmed members of the Church of England (or those intending to be confirmed); b) children who have been formally admitted to communion in this or another church. Visitors who are baptised and regularly receive communion in another Church may also receive. Everyone else is warmly invited forward to receive an individual prayer of blessing. (NB Non-alcoholic wine is available during the All Age Service; join the left queue and indicate to the server.) If you would prefer a gluten free wafer and/or non-alcoholic wine, please let the sidesperson know.

Prayer

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

Please send notice sheet items to office@stmaryssevernside.org.uk by 12pm on Tuesday each week. Our website, www.almondsburychurch.org.uk includes the notice sheet, so all content will be on the internet unless requested otherwise.



DIARY DATES

(all in church unless otherwise stated)

Tues 16th April
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Wed 17th April
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Fri 26th April

Sat 27th April
Sun 28th April

Babies and Toddlers 1.45pm
Tuesday Prayer 8am at Old Cottage Hospital
Messy Church 3.30pm
Online Homegroup 7.45pm
Prayers for the Suffering Church 11.00 am
Tea Toast & Prayer 9.00 am
Annual Parochial Church Meeting 11.30am

Any donations towards church coffee / teas would be most welcome. A box is available at the front of the main serving hatch. Thank you.

The latest Church Notice Sheet is always available at <https://almondsburychurch.org.uk/notice-sheets/> usually from the Friday before the Sunday to which it relates.

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St Mary's Almondsbury Church News



Sunday 14th April 2024

3rd Sunday of Easter

Learning to live after our mistakes

Reading: Acts 3:12-19

8.30am Holy Communion (CW)

Led by Anjali Kanagaratnam

10.00am All Age Communion Service

Led by Paul Van Rossum and Anjali Kanagaratnam



Creating connections with God, each other and our community

CHARITY OF THE MONTH FROM MARCH

CMS Uganda Link

Sarah and Simon Cawdell, CMS partners in Gulu, Northern Uganda. Sarah is Principal of Archbishop Janani Louwum Theological College in Gulu, and Simon is helping Gulu Diocese to develop procedures, funding and reaching local people

For prayer and fundraising: The college is trialling new gardening techniques to increase their food production; the college provides food for the students, and the students help to work in the garden. To donate, please use the PCC banking details, marked 'AJLTC donation'.

Mental Health Awareness Training

This interactive training course run by the Diocese of Bristol offers a basic overview of mental health and mental illness and offers practical advice for churches to support people with their mental health. Any members of the church are welcome to attend.

North Severnside Benefice are offering this 3 hour course at St Helen's Church on Monday 29th April, 2-5 pm

For more details and to book please email Clare at claremstephens@yahoo.co.uk

Almondsbury Village Events (AVE)

Invites you

to a **QUIZ NIGHT** ON

FRIDAY 3RD MAY

ALMONDSBURY OLD SCHOOL HALL

Doors open 7pm, Quiz starts 7.30pm

£5 per ticket

Email AlmondsburyVillageEvents@gmail.com to reserve your ticket. First come first served.

UKRAINE AID:

Thanks to everyone helping the needy of the church and nation of Ukraine in the 2 year war so far. We are making a fresh initiative after Easter as the recent bombing of generators by the River Dnipro is affecting new areas of the country. These are the items we currently require:

FOOD BOXES – rice, lentils, chickpeas, salt, dried beans

TINS of any sort – Pasta, packet soups, baby food, energy bars,

MEDICAL AID – walking sticks, crutches, wheel-chairs, glasses, bandages/dressings, face masks, nappies, wet wipes, medical gloves, blood pressure monitors

AS NEW CLOTHING and bedding - warm

GOOD, CLEAN QUALITY CLOTHES second hand
The aid collected goes either by a Bristol van direct, Swindon containers direct, local support via Thornbury Churches Together coordinators or by local private gifts to work colleagues.

Jesus said, "Give and it will be given to you, full measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over..." Luke 6:38

This area has been very generous and the Bristol van is packed waiting to go with many Almondsbury gifts of excellent quality clothing, medical aid etc. **PLEASE LABEL BAGS FOR JAN/UKRAINE. (We can transfer goods from your car to mine to avoid lifting.) Tel or text 07856765299**

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OBSTACLES TO BE REMOVED FOR THE NEXT VAN JOURNEY and GOD TO OPEN UP "A HOLY HIGHWAY" of PRAYER.

To donate to St Mary's please use the BACS system
Account Name: Almondsbury PCC Sort Code: 40-14-20,
Account Number: 21074598 and reference 'Donation'.
Or use the QR code. Thank you for your generosity.

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St Mary's Church, Almondsbury

www.almondsburychurch.org.uk

The Church Wi-Fi password is: godisgood

PCC Prayer Requests

Peace and understanding in the Middle East

Our community and people in the village who are going through difficult times

BABIES AND TODDLERS

Every Tuesday in term time

1.45pm until 3.15pm in Almondsbury Church.

All parents, grandparents and carers with their babies and toddlers are welcome. Please speak to Sandy Thompson or Pam van Rossum for more information.

Finding Life In Jesus' Death

(John's Gospel chapters 19 - 21)

A friendly 3 week taster of face to face Bible Study is being held at St Michael's Church Centre Stoke Gifford on Tues 23 & 30 April and 7th May at 10 am. Also, Starting September '24 Bible Study Fellowship course also at St Michael's will be the book of Revelation speak to Sylvia Vooght or Suzanne Alsop if you would like more information.

TUESDAY PRAYER FROM 16TH APRIL

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

TEA, TOAST & PRAYER

All are invited to join us for Tea, Toast & Prayer in the Church from 9.00am on Saturday 27th April, praying from 9.30am. Please join us for this important time.

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU

At our next AGM (on 28th April) we will have the following vacancies: Parish Safeguarding Officer and PCC member. These are important roles that help support the life and mission of the church. Please do prayerfully consider if you could serve the church in this way.

If you are interested or would like more information please speak to Anjali Kanagaratnam, Paul van Rossum or Mike Jenkinson.