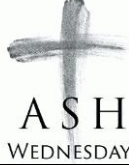





St Mary Magdalene's

Monthly Update – March 2025

(Services in church unless otherwise stated)

Day / Date	Time / Event	Theme / Readings	Prayers are asked for...
Sunday 2 nd March Next before Lent	11am Family Service	Luke 9:28-36	The Friends Meeting House, Wallingford; residents of Stephens Field, Thames Mead; all our Local Businesses; Neighbourhood Watch; our Congregation
Wednesday 5 th March Ash Wednesday	8pm Team Communion at St Leonard's, Wallingford		For the forgiveness of our sin
Saturday 8 th March	10.30am - Noon Community Café & Nearly New Clothes Swap at the Village Hall		Our village and community as we come together and build relationships
Sunday 9 th March Lent 1	11am Parish Communion	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13	The Ridgeway Community Church; residents of The Limes, The Street; Winters Field, Halifax Road; all who spread the Good News of the Gospels; our Sacristan and Servers
Sunday 16 th March Lent 2	11am Parish Communion	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 13:31-35	United Reformed Church, Aston Tirrold; residents of Hasthorpe Road, Shuttleworth Close, Elizabeth Road; Doctors and Nurses and all who work for and in the Care Service; our Welcomers and Sidespeople
Sunday 23 rd March Lent 3	11am Family Communion	Isaiah 55:1-9 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Luke 13:1-9	St Agatha's & St James', Brightwell cum Sotwell; residents of Marshfield, McCulloch Meadows, Rush Way; all who come to work in our area; Local House Groups
Sunday 30 th March Lent 4 Mothering Sunday	11am Parish Communion (with Baptism of Kimiko Tsang)	Exodus 2:1-10 Colossians 3:12-17 John 19:25b-27	Our mother church of St Mary Magdalene and all who nurture us; residents of Bellamy Way, Benson Lane; local Charities; all Priests/Deacons/Lay Workers; our Intercessors and Readers
Wednesday 2 nd April	7.30pm APCM, (followed by drinks & nibbles)		To give thanks for the past year and Kevin's 9 years of ministry here
Sunday 6 th April Lent 5 (Passion Sunday)	11am Family Service	John 12.1-8	St Mary's Church, Cholsey; residents of Clacks Lane, Cox's Lane; Crowmarsh News, those who publish and distribute it; our Organist / Producers of Music and Hymns

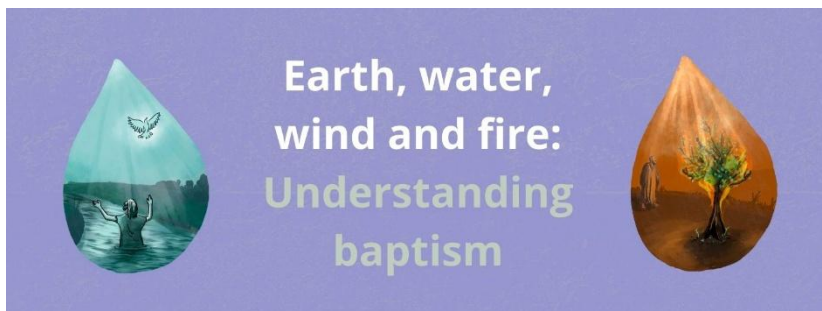
- Morning Prayer (CW) Fridays 9am / Evening Prayer (BCP) Sundays 4pm

The Crowmarsh House Group meets regularly on Wednesday afternoons at 2.30pm at Paul & Rosie Benham's home (30 Marshfield). Please ask them for more information.

New Electoral Roll Every 6th year sees a complete renewal our church electoral roll so please reapply using a form on the welcome desk in church by **Sunday 16th March**. This acts as our basic membership list and gives voting rights at our Annual Meeting including elections, etc.

Come and See during Lent

Come and See is our Diocese's big, warm open invitation to an adventure in faith and trust. It's for everyone in the local church and the whole community. It's free of charge, and all are welcome. Each Lent, we delve into a new aspect of Christian faith - this year we're looking at baptism and the themes of Earth, Water, Wind and Fire. It's perfect for new and old Christians alike, and can be done on your own, as a family, as a church, school or in a small group.



Everyone who registers receives a short daily email to reflect on, and a weekly video from Bishop Steven exploring the themes in a bit more detail. Register here: <https://mailchi.mp/oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see-2025>. We will be using the Come and See videos in our services with follow up available in our Emmaus group(s). Ask the Vicar if you'd be interested in a local Come and See group. You can also check out past years at any point on the Oxford Diocesan Learning Hub (<https://learn.oxford.anglican.org>), and journey through the video reflections online in your own time.

Diary Dates:

Sun 13th April – Palm Sunday Procession from St James to St Agatha's (10am start)
Sun 20th April – Easter Sunday
Sun 27th April – 10am Kevin's Farewell Team Service at St Mary's, Wallingford

Giving: All donations to the mission and ministry of our church are very welcome: the majority of our members use the Parish Giving Scheme as it is the most efficient way of reclaiming Gift Aid - new forms are available at the welcome desk. Alternatively, you can give electronically with the option of Gift Aid, using this QR code on a smart phone. We also accept hard cash!



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