

## FROM THE 18<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH

### "Experience Easter":

Six "stations" in St Michael's, tracing the journey from Palm Sunday to Easter, with visual displays, activities and things to think about. The schoolchildren will be coming in on the 18<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> - but there's food for thought for adults also! Open during daylight hours.

### SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH: PALM SUNDAY

The start of Holy Week, remembering Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, with crowds singing "Hosanna!"

- 8.00am Holy Communion (traditional) in St Michael's
- 10.30am Morning Service in the Methodist Chapel,
- 11.00am Matins (trad. morning worship) in St Michael's
- 4.00pm "Families@4" in St Michael's:

A short monthly service with songs, Bible story & talk, prayers & crafts for all to enjoy. Followed by tea & cake.

### MON 25<sup>th</sup> MARCH to WED 27<sup>th</sup> MARCH

#### WHITTON PARISH HOLY WEEK PILGRIMAGE

30-40 minutes of readings, meditations and quiet music, accompanying Jesus through some of the events of Holy Week, & including a service of Compline (prayers at the end of the day),.

- 7.00pm Monday at St Michael's Aldbourne
- Tuesday at Holy Cross, Ramsbury
- Wednesday at St Nicholas, Baydon

### THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH: MAUNDY THURSDAY

- 7.00pm Agape - a shared light meal  
& Holy Communion in St Michael's

At the Last Supper with his disciples, Jesus shared bread and wine, saying: "Do this in remembrance of me." If you raise a glass in the company of friends this weekend, remember how much Jesus loved us, and how much he sacrificed for us.



## FRIDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH: GOOD FRIDAY

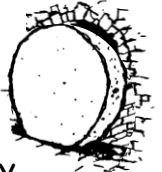
10.00am Walk of Witness, starting inside St. Michael's. A shared act of witness, walking with the Cross from the Church to the Pond, where the Cross is erected and dressed sombrely. We share readings, prayers and hymns. Afterwards we go to the Methodist Chapel Hall for fellowship, hot drinks and hot cross buns.

2.00pm Readings & Reflections in St. Michael's Church. We gather at the foot of the Cross to remember and give thanks.

### 3.30pm Building the Easter Garden

Children of all ages, 0 - 100, are welcome to meet at St Michael's, to build a sad garden for Good Friday and a joyful one for Easter, remembering that without Good Friday, there could be no Easter.

Later that afternoon, visit the tomb in the Easter Garden at the top of the Green.



## 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH: HOLY SATURDAY

7.00pm Easter Musical in Holy Cross, Ramsbury

## SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> March: EASTER SUNDAY

See the transformation of the Cross by the Pond and the Tomb on the Green, as we celebrate new life springing out of death.

### 6.00am Sunrise Service

Meet at the Four Barrows track by the Court House, remembering the women who got up so early to visit the tomb, and the new dawn they found there. Afterwards, enjoy breakfast at Witts Piece, South St.

8.00am Traditional Holy Communion, St Michael's

10.30am Easter Worship in the Methodist Chapel with the Ramsbury Silver Band

11.00am Family Communion in St. Michael's Church

For services elsewhere in the Whitton Parish, see: <http://whittonteam.org.uk/>



# ALLELUIA!!! HE IS RISEN!

**The Churches Together  
in the Whitton Parish area  
are delighted to announce  
the re-launch of:**



**in the Aldbourne Methodist Hall, from 10.30 am – 12 noon  
on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024, and thereafter on the first Monday  
of every month, from the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024.**

**What is it?**

- “Café-style” refreshments  
(a good cuppa, “proper” coffee, gorgeous cakes),
- in a **relaxed, friendly environment** that’s
- **welcoming to all, young and old**,  
including **families and those with dementia & their carers**, with
  - a brief **“thought for the day”** and
  - a variety of **other activities** to choose from each month –  
for example, music/singing, hobbies/crafts, toys, puzzles...
  - but also **plenty of time just to chat!**

**Where and when?**

**Methodist Chapel Hall, Lottage Rd, Aldbourne SN8 2DL,  
10.30 am – 12, 29th April, and then  
the first Monday in the month: 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2<sup>nd</sup> September,  
7<sup>th</sup> October, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, ...**

**What does it cost?**

There will be **no charge**, but donations will be gratefully accepted.

*For further information, or if you need transport to the event,  
or to offer your help, contact: the Revd Sue Rodd (541571)  
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## Holy Week and Easter 2024 in Aldbourne



Picture: Martha Fogg

