



The Parish of St Mary, Portsea with St Faith's
Notices for 29th March 2026
Palm Sunday

Monday March 30th 10am – 2pm HAF for families at St Mary's
Holy Week

11am Stations of the Cross at St Mary's
7pm Mass & Reflection at St Mary's
(live streamed)

Tuesday March 31st 9.30am Mass at St Faith's
Holy Week

followed by refreshments and **Lent reflection**
10am – 2pm HAF for families at St Mary's
7pm Mass & Reflection at St Mary's
(live streamed)

Wednesday April 1st Noon Mass at St Mary's (live streamed)
Holy Week

Followed by **Fellowship Lunch and Lent reflection**
7pm Mass & Reflection at St Faith's
7.30pm Royal Marine Concert at St Mary's

Thursday April 2nd 11am Chrism Mass at the Cathedral
Mundy Thursday

6pm Eucharist of the Last Supper at St Faith's
ending with a short watch and vigil of prayer
7.30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper and watch of prayer till Midnight.
At St Mary's (live streamed)
Please sign list in Church if you can cover some of the watch of prayer ...be good to have 2 or 3 people for every 15 min slot

Friday April 3rd 11am Children and Young People gather

Good Friday

at St Mary's to share in activities and art and craft to reflect on the day – ending with Hot Cross Buns
1pm A series of **reflections** – interspersed with silence – **on the Cross** (at 1pm, 1.15, 1.30 and 1.45pm) at St Mary's
2pm The Liturgy of the Cross (ends at 3pm)
At St Mary's (Live streamed)
2pm The Liturgy of the Cross at St Faith's

Saturday April 4th 9am Church Spring Clean at St Mary's
Holy Saturday

If you can help prepare our churches for Easter – please contact Revd Wendy May for St Faith's– or for St Mary's come along from 9am and there will be plenty to do

As a Parish we all gather for one of the most beautiful and special service of the year as we gather in darkness and then welcome the coming of the light of Christ as we with joy and light celebrate his new life!

8.30pm The Vigil of Readings and First Mass of Easter (ends about 10pm)

Next Sunday
Easter Day

8am BCP Eucharist at St Mary's
10am Mass and Hymns at St Faith's
10am Sung Mass for Easter and Baptisms
At St Mary's (live streamed)
4pm Choral Evensong and Benediction
At St Mary's

Please pray for ..

We were sorry to announce last Sunday that **Debbie Noy** had died. Debbie was involved for many years with St Wilfrid's, her Father, Ken, also died recently.

We also heard this week of the death of Jean Brooks, a former member of St Mary's. Please pray for the repose of their souls and for those who mourn.

Easter Flowers to help us celebrate the light and joy of the risen Christ we will decorate the church with Lillies and flowers. **If you would like to donate in memory of someone or in thanksgiving for something then please fill in form available at Church** – or pay by BACS – reference 'flowers'

Easter Eggs as in previous years we are inviting you to donate **Easter Eggs to share with families supported by the Roberts Centre.** We will be sharing with them on Monday

Sunday April 12th At end of 10am service a blessing of the **wedding of Brian and Thabi** at St Mary's. You are all invited to join them for a drink and cake in the Church after the service.

Monday May 4th **The May Fayre** – **raffle tickets** are now available for you to take and sell. 1st Prize donated by Barrells - £100!

Help please ...

Can you help on the **Saturday May 2nd in the morning** to help us prepare and set up the site etc

Can you help on the Sunday with any final prep **from 2pm**

Can you help on the day – we need an Army of 100 people to manage the event and maximise the collection of

donations etc **What time between 8 am and 5pm can you offer?**

Please fill in the form asap and hand in

Items – do you have things we can sell on the day ...

Bric a Brac, books, plants toys etc –

and can you make some **cakes** for the day?

Thank you for all your support if we all do a little it will help! – **please put the date in your diary!**

Please note we often take photographs at our services and events that may appear on social media – please let us know if this causes you any problems.

If you have any suggestions as to what you would like to see included on these notices, please let us know.

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