



# The Windmill United Benefice

Burstow - Horne - Outwood

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## **Sunday 22 March 2026** **Fifth Sunday of Lent**

### **Collect Prayer**

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Old Testament: Ezekiel 37:1-14**

**Gospel: John 11:1-45**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us that what we do  
for the least of our brothers and sisters  
we do also for you:  
give us the will to be the servant of others  
as you were the servant of all,  
and gave up your life and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **Alan's Illness**

The Rector, Alan Bayes, is currently on an extended period of leave due to ill health, and will, hopefully, be returning to Benefice duties on Sunday 19 April. Please pray for Alan and Rachel at this difficult time for them, and please do not contact him, but take any queries to the Wardens. Thank you.

Please note that due to the Rector's absence, the Lent Course has been cancelled, as have Morning Prayer and Mid-week Communion until further notice.

Next week, **29 March**, there will be a Joint Benefice Service at 10am at Burstow, to celebrate Palm Sunday, including a dramatised reading of the Passion Gospel. Please come along as we celebrate the start of Holy Week and be prepared to join in as the 'baying crowd'. For those able to, we will start the service outside the Flamsteed Hall, opposite the church, and process into church with our palm crosses.

Once again, we will be celebrating **Maundy Thursday** with a Seder Meal starting at 7pm in the Smallfield Church Hall. Charles will be guiding us through the commemoration, and will also lead a short time of reflection afterwards in the chapel.

A hot meal will be provided as part of the evening. For catering purposes, there are sign-up sheets in each of the churches for you to indicate that you are coming, however, please feel free to turn up on the night.

**PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET AWAY WITH YOU**

## Services in Church

This Sunday, 22 March – Fifth Sunday of Lent

**9:30am** Holy Communion

**St Bartholomew, Burstow**

**10am** Morning Worship

**St Mary the Virgin, Horne**

**11am** Holy Communion

**St John the Baptist, Outwood**

Next Sunday, 29 March – Palm Sunday

**10am** Joint Benefice

Holy Communion

**St Bartholomew, Burstow**

**6pm** *The Crucifixion*

**St Mary the Virgin, Horne**

See overleaf for services in Holy Week and Easter

### ***The Crucifixion***

The Benefice Choir will be singing *The Crucifixion* by John Stainer **next Sunday, 29 March** at 6pm in St Mary's, Horne. This will be an opportunity to reflect on the events of Good Friday and what they mean to us. Composed in the 19<sup>th</sup> century by John Stainer, the work lasts 1 hour and includes solos, choral sections and hymns for all to sing.

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Please send **items for the next notice sheet** to Peter Nye  
([peternye44@gmail.com](mailto:peternye44@gmail.com)) by 6pm on **Wednesday 25 March**

# Holy Week and Easter

## Services in the Windmill United Benefice

### Sunday 29 March – Palm Sunday

10am	Benefice Holy Communion	St Bartholomew
6pm	Stainer's <i>Crucifixion</i> <i>A solemn act of worship</i>	St Mary the Virgin

### Thursday 2 April – Maundy Thursday

7pm	Seder Meal and Watch	Smallfield Church Hall
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### Friday 3 April – Good Friday

10:30am	Café Church	Smallfield Church Hall
2pm	Good Friday Liturgy	St Mary the Virgin

### Sunday 5 April – Easter Sunday

7am	Service of Light	Outwood Common
9.30am	Easter Communion	St Bartholomew
10am	Easter Communion	St Mary the Virgin
11am	Morning Worship	St John the Baptist

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The APCM at **St Mary the Virgin, Horne** will take place in the church after the morning service on **Sunday 19 April**.

## St Mary's Plant Sale

**Saturday 25 April, 10am–noon, St Mary's, Horne Churchyard**

Come and pick up some new additions to your garden, allotment, balcony or windowsills – a locally grown selection of various flower, vegetable and fruit plants. Perhaps you have been too excited this spring and can bring any seedlings, cuttings, or indoor or outdoor plants to support the sale. Let Lauma Kazuša know if you can help on the day, bring any cakes or bakes for sale, and refreshments. Contact [stmaryhorne@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryhorne@gmail.com)