

## St Thomas à Becket, Ramsey e-Bulletin 5 April 2026



Dear Friends,

Last Sunday we welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem as we processed around Abbey Green with Brian the Donkey! We had good fun, but we also learnt that following Jesus into this Holy Week isn't easy. Jesus didn't meet the expectations of the crowds, and over the course of this week, slowly but surely, people would turn their backs on Him.

We also thought about Jesus' humility as a leader, and prayed for justice and peace in a turbulent world. As we continue walking with Jesus through this week, let us hold fast to the promise that death and destruction never has the final word in this life and in this world. Let's walk with Jesus and keep our eyes fixed on Him until we reach that glorious morning when the sun rises over the empty tomb.

As we gather this Sunday, we will celebrate the resurrection, but we will have journeyed through the darkest places with Jesus. That means we have a story to tell. We are witnesses to the life, death and resurrection of the Son of God – we are those who live in the freedom won for us by our Saviour, no longer living in fear but, empowered by the living Holy Spirit, boldly proclaiming the victory of Christ in a world that is desperate for hope.

The church's task in the world, is to witness to this story, to share it and offer the hope of life-in-fullness to everyone. How we do that, can take all kinds of different shapes, and we're excited this Sunday to share with you our Vision for 2026 and beyond that we hope will shape our ministry for the coming years. It's a bold Vision that helps us think about 1) Who we are, 2) Where we are going, 3) How we're going to get to where we want to be. The PCC have been working hard on this for over a year, and it's time now to share it with the whole church, so that we can **all** share and own this Vision and be part of making it a reality as God leads us. Everyone has a part to play!

But whatever we do, we remember that we are witnesses to the greatest story, of God who left behind the glory and took on our humanity in order to save us. As we celebrate Easter once more, how will you share this story with the world around you?

*Rev Joe Magill*

### **Thursday 2 April**

7.30pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion

### **Friday 3 April**

10.30am Service on Abbey Green following the Walk of Witness

2.00pm At the Foot of the Cross, Ramsey St Mary's Church

7.30pm Taize Service

### **Sunday 5 April**

6am Easter Sunrise Service at Ramsey Rural Museum

10.30am Parish Communion

7.30pm Songs of Praise

### **Sunday 12 April**

8.00am Holy Communion (said)

10.30am Worship Together

### **Sunday 19 April**

10.30am Holy Communion

5.30pm Evensong

**Eater Holiday Club:** “Easter happened – what happens next?” Easter Holiday Club on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 9.15am to 3.15pm for primary-aged children. Please bring your own packed lunch.

Please book a place with Hayley: [Hayley@ramseysandupwood.org](mailto:Hayley@ramseysandupwood.org) 07935 549947.

## **APCM**

APCM in church Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm.

**Nomination forms** to become a Churchwarden, Deanery Synod Rep or member of the PCC are available at the back of church. All nominations should be posted into the internal letterbox underneath the Who's Who board prior to the meeting. Please note, that to qualify for nomination, it is a Church of England requirement that you must have been on the church Electoral Roll for a minimum of six months.

**Reports for APCM:** Ahead of the meeting, Jackie will be compiling reports from the different groups in church along with the statutory reports. Please submit to Jackie by **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April** [jackie@ramseysandupwood.org](mailto:jackie@ramseysandupwood.org)

**Becket Seniors Lunch:** Please note that the next lunch is on Wednesday **15<sup>th</sup> April** NOT the 22<sup>nd</sup> as stated in the sign-up sheet – administrator error!

**Coffee morning:** the church coffee morning at Jones Court (by kind permission) on Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup> 10 - 12noon. Raffle and Bring and Buy. £3 to include refreshments.

**News from st Mary's:** our annual **EASTER EGG HUNT** will be on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 10-12 noon in St. Mary's Church. Enjoy following the fun trail around the Church for the Easter Eggs, with drawing and games for all children along with refreshments and cake decorating.  
All ages welcome. Come and enjoy a cuppa and cake and a chat in the Church. Looking forward to seeing you.

**Joe on annual leave:** please note that Joe will be on annual leave during the week after Easter.

**Clergy days off:** as a general rule, Joe's day off is a Saturday.

## **Regular Activities:**

- Mondays:** Toddlers 9.30am – 10.30am  
3 in 1 (primary-aged) 3.30pm – 5pm (Scout Hut)
- Tuesdays:** Bellringing 7.30pm  
Craft Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month 7.30pm
- Wednesdays:** Youth Space 3.15pm – 4.30pm  
Becket seniors 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month 12.30pm
- Friday:** Choir practice 6.45pm
- Saturday:** Men's Breakfast first Saturday of each month.

Becket Flower Group meet throughout the year for events and to decorate the church for festivals.

For more information about the above activities, contact:  
[jackie@ramseysandupwood.org](mailto:jackie@ramseysandupwood.org).

**Bulletin items:** please send all items for the Bulletin to  
[jackie@ramseysandupwood.org](mailto:jackie@ramseysandupwood.org) by noon Wednesday.

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**Pastoral Needs:** if you have any pastoral needs or would like someone to pray with you, please contact Val Molloy: 01487 710583 or email  
[valmolloy@hotmail.com](mailto:valmolloy@hotmail.com)

## **Online Prayer meeting:**

Monday to Friday at 8.30am. To join [simply click here](#) Download zoom and join in. Meeting ID: 837 2798 9081 Passcode: 702720

## **Prayer list:**

Please pray for: Dilys; Doug and Maureen; Julie; Ian; Kay; Juliet and Philip; Janet; Vicki; Oonagh and her parents Matthew and Jade; Alan; Jill; Pauline Cook, Neville and Kay Palmer, Colin and Yvonne, Julia Hayes and June Edwards

Names can be added to the list by notifying Jan Bowd 01487 822418  
[janbowd298@btinternet.com](mailto:janbowd298@btinternet.com)