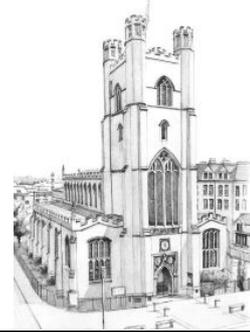


Great St Mary's eMag

1-15 March 2026: Issue 191

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From the Associate Vicar



**Almighty and everlasting God,
you hate nothing that you have made
and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:
create and make in us new and contrite hearts
that we, worthily lamenting our sins
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may receive from you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
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.**

Dear Friends

This is the Collect for Ash Wednesday, and in the Book of Common Prayer it's used every day during the season of Lent. It's an honest depiction of our propensity to sin and fall short of the glory of God, while being equally honest about the grace of the God of 'all mercy', who can grant us 'perfect remission and forgiveness' and make us a 'new heart'. The God who laments over our sin is the same God who hates nothing that God made.

No wonder this collect is intended to be said over and over again during these forty days. It keeps us aware of our failings, but prevents us from three dangerous falsehoods: that we can save ourselves, that we cannot be saved, and that we do not need saving. In this way, it offers us a framework for hope in which we are absolutely dependent on God, yet are invited into active participation through receiving what the God of all mercy longs to do for us. As we reflect on hope throughout Lent, may it be for us a time to discover afresh both the mercy of God and how God calls us to respond.

Every blessing
Ally

Revd Ally Barrett
Associate Vicar

Please send any eMag contributions at least two weeks prior to publication, to
news@gsm.cam.ac.uk



Individual Confession

Individual Confession, also known as 'Sacrament of Reconciliation'

This Lent, the clergy of Great St Mary's, St Bene't's and St Clements have teamed up to offer the opportunity for people in our congregations to make their confession, and, if the person chooses, to have the option to approach someone who is not one of their own clergy. Individual confession made to a priest, or the "The Reconciliation of a Penitent," is not a practice confined to the Roman Catholic Church, but one which is found in Anglican Churches worldwide, including in the Church of England. People participate in confession as part of their spiritual discipline, placing themselves in openness and trust before God. It is a practice that is provided for in the Church of England's "Common Worship" where it is offered for use "when a person's conscience is burdened with a particular sin, when a person wishes to make a new beginning in the Christian life, or as part of a regular personal discipline." Importantly, while a person using this practice makes their confession privately, with a priest, it is for the sake of the whole, to seek forgiveness and a fresh start in their life where their sin will have impaired their relationship with God and also, even if subtly, with the body of the church, their families, friends and colleagues, and with the wider community. If you would like to make your confession, or would like to explore further what this might involve and possibly mean for you, please contact any of us by email, or in person: Revd Ally Barrett allyb@gsm.cam.ac.uk; Revd Canon Jutta Brueck juttab@gsm.cam.ac.uk; Revd Andrew Day parish.priest@stclements.cambridge.co.uk; Revd Devin McLachlan vicar@stbenetschurch.org; Revd Rosie Hewitt rosieh@gsm.cam.ac.uk; Revd Clare Stephenson clares@gsm.cam.ac.uk



Livestreaming of Services

Live and past services can be accessed via the Great St Mary's YouTube page on <https://www.youtube.com/c/greatstmarys>

Please note: If you have any comments regarding the on-line live-streaming, please email office@gsm.cam.ac.uk

Worship Schedule

March services - see [website](#) for details

Sunday 1 March - Second Sunday of Lent

- 8am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Choral Eucharist and Children's Church
- 4pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 8 March - Third Sunday of Lent

(Please note there will be road closures due to the half marathon)

- 8am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Choral Eucharist
- 11.30am Choral Mattins
- 4pm Choral Evensong

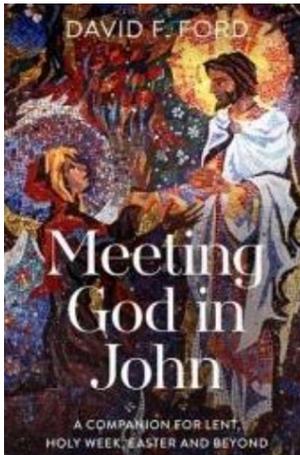
Sunday 15 March - Mothering Sunday

- 8am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am All together (all age) Eucharist
- 4pm Choral Evensong

Regular Weekday Worship during March

- Monday—Friday 9am Morning Prayer in church and on YouTube
- Mondays 12.30 pm Christian Meditation in Michaelhouse - followed by soup lunch
- Tuesdays 10.30am The Ark, Children's Communion in Michaelhouse
- Tuesdays 5.45pm Choral Evening Prayer
- Wednesdays 12.30pm Holy Communion
- Wednesdays 7.45pm Choral Compline in Michaelhouse
- Thursdays 6.00pm Choral Evensong

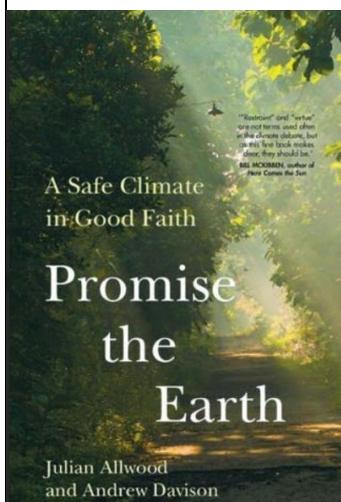
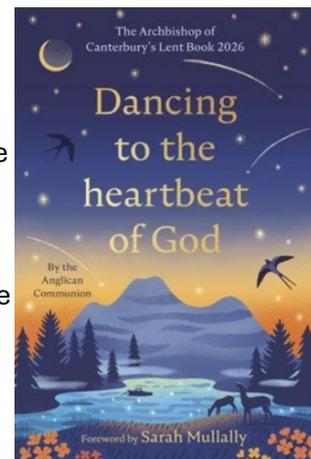
Reading suggestions for Lent



David Ford 'Meeting God in John', SPCK 2025 Whether you are completely new to John's Gospel or have read it many times before, Meeting God in John will help you see the Fourth Gospel with fresh eyes and gain a deeper understanding of its essential meaning and purpose. Simple yet profound, this is an invitation to all who long to deepen their understanding of John's Gospel - and, through it, to meet the God revealed in Jesus Christ. Each chapter includes questions for reflection or discussion, making Meeting God in John ideal for Bible study, whether individually or in small groups. With its focus on the Passion narrative, it also serves beautifully as a Lent devotional.

Dancing to the Heartbeat of God - The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2026: Personal stories, testimonies and reflections by Christians from across the Anglican Communion. Bringing together around thirty contributors from across the globe, this book reflects the breadth, diversity, and vitality of the Anglican Communion. Rooted in real experience rather than theory, these voices speak with honesty, energy, and hope.

With a foreword and afterword by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dame Sarah Mullaly, and an introduction by the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, it offers a confident and hopeful vision of faith lived out in everyday life.



Promise the Earth. A Safe Climate in Good Faith. CUP 2026

In this volume, Julian Allwood, an engineer, and Andrew Davison, a theologian, offer a fresh perspective and prescription for combatting climate change. Rather than starting from the vantage points of economics and politics, they rethink climate action in the long tradition of the virtues – Courage, Justice, Prudence, and Temperance -- along with Faith, Hope, and Love from the Bible. By acting in good faith now, a safe climate becomes an expression of our faith in and love for humanity.

Lent with children and young people

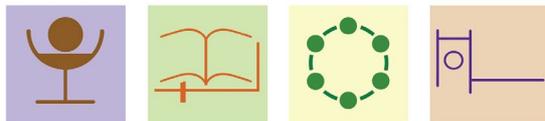
Rosie, our children's and youth minister, has put together a few suggestions for observing Lent at home with children and young people. They can be found here: <https://www.greatstmarys.org/faith-at-home>



Stewardship

Stewardship – Inspirational sermon and Information on how to contribute to Great St Mary's
On Stewardship Sunday we were delighted to welcome the National Stewardship Advisor, Jonathan de Bernhardt Wood as our preacher at 10 o'clock. I highly recommend his inspirational sermon, which is available on [Youtube](#) and, to read, on the Great St Mary's website, under '[Worship/sermons](#)'.

We are inviting everyone at Great St Mary's to prayerfully review their volunteering and financial giving to our Church over the next few weeks. Good stewardship of all that we have – our life, our planet, our time, talents and possessions - is an integral part of Christian discipleship, and I am extremely grateful to our many volunteers who enable us to be a place of worship, prayer, welcome and witness for so many people, and for the financial support of our regular givers and all our donors that enables us to fund our mission and ministry.



PARISH GIVING SCHEME

Information on 'how to get involved' and 'how to give', including legacies, is available in the back of Church and online: the 'Times and Talents' form on the website [Time and Talents](#) | [Great St Mary's](#) and information about how to give [How to Donate | Great St Mary's](#) - with

guidance on how to join the [Parish Giving Scheme](#).

We are especially looking for volunteers to help with fundraising, digital presence, admin, and choir stewarding. As a way of giving, I commend the Parish Giving Scheme to you, as it's easy to administer and claims tax back for our church on a monthly basis. Please, do speak to the clergy, our church wardens or our stewardship advisor, Andrew Watson, or Lorna Atwell, if you have any questions.

Our stewardship prayer: Loving God, you are always with us and give us all we need to be your Church. Help us, we pray, to give as we have received: abundantly, generously, and joyfully, that our worship and service may bear witness to your Kingdom of unfailing love. In the name of your Son who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Revd Canon Jutta Brueck,
Vicar

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Sign up for our mailing list at [greatstmarys.org/emag](https://www.greatstmarys.org/emag)

News and Events

Sun 1 Mar - The Chorister Experience

The Chorister Experience

Sunday 1 March 2026, 2-5pm, at Great St Mary's



Do you
know a child
age 6 to 8
who loves
to sing?

- Warm-up and musical games with our Voice Coach
- Singing workshop with our choristers
- Observe a chorister singing lesson
- Take part in a real service of Choral Evensong

After the event, participants will be able to sign up for

**Chorister
Voice Trials**
14 & 21 March

We also have chorister places for children who are currently in Y2, Y4 and Y6. To arrange an audition please email us at music@gsm.cam.ac.uk

scan to book



Mon 2 Mar - Lent Group 2026



Lent Group 2026

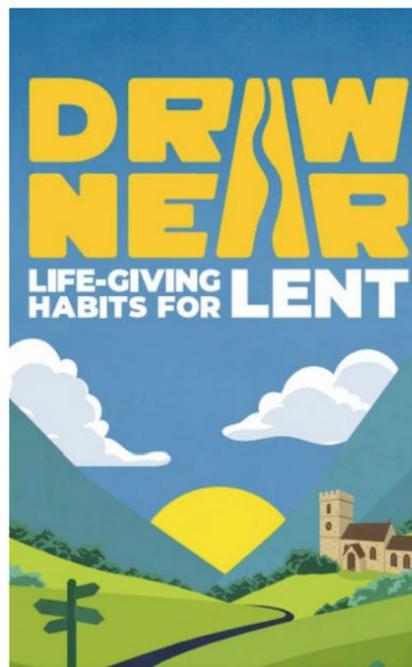
**A six-week creative journey
into Christian discipleship**

Mondays, 5.30–7.00pm
23 February – 30 March
in Michaelhouse

Each week we will explore a different aspect of Christian discipleship through gentle, creative practices and shared reflection.

Open to all adults, at any stage of their Christian journey.

If you'd like to join the group, please email: clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk



Tues 3 Mar - Seniors' Lunch

A reminder to those who have already booked. GSM seniors are meeting for lunch at The Park Restaurant, Cambridge Regional College, 12.30pm on Tues 3 March.

Tues 3,10 Mar Choral Evening Prayer



**CHORAL
EVENING
PRAYER**

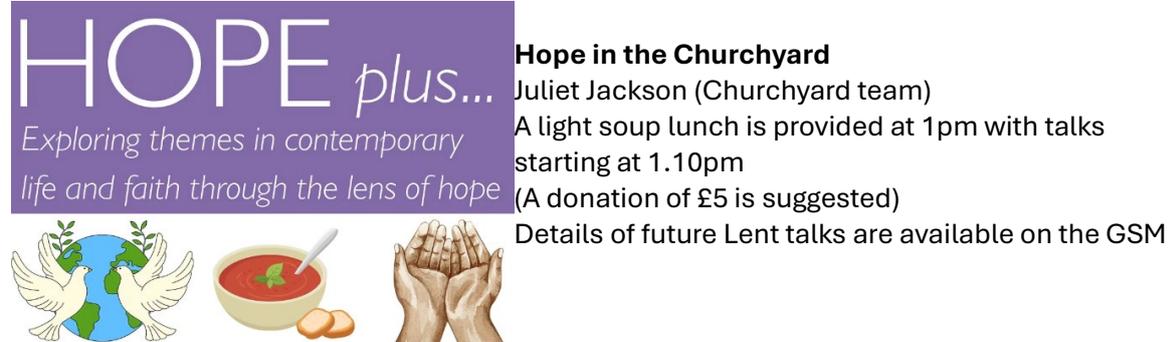
Sung by the
Probationary
Choristers
of Great
St Mary's

**Great St Mary's
Tuesdays 5.45pm**
(term time)

The music programme at Great St Mary's offers a musical education to over 85 children drawn from local schools, age 5 to 18. To find out more: greatstmarys.org/music



Wed 4 Mar - Lent talk - 2



HOPE *plus...*
Exploring themes in contemporary life and faith through the lens of hope

Hope in the Churchyard
Juliet Jackson (Churchyard team)
A light soup lunch is provided at 1pm with talks starting at 1.10pm
(A donation of £5 is suggested)
Details of future Lent talks are available on the GSM



Thurs 5,12 Mar - Chat, Play, Sing

Chat-Play-Sing meets on Thursdays at 10am in Michaelhouse for toddlers with their parents or carers.

Thurs 5 Mar - Read, Mark, Learn

Read Mark Learn will meet virtually on Thurs 5 March from 5 to 6 p.m. to study John 4.5-30: Jesus and the Samaritan woman by the well. For more information, contact davidg@gsm.cam.ac.uk. Join the Zoom [meeting here](#).
Meeting ID: 840 5256 2470
Passcode: 876406

Fri 6 Mar - World Day of Prayer



The poster features the word 'NIGERIA' in large green letters at the top. Below it is an illustration of several women in traditional Nigerian attire carrying loads on their heads. The text 'I will give you rest, come' is written in a cursive font. At the bottom, it says 'WORLD DAY OF PRAYER' with a cross symbol, followed by the date and location: 'Friday 6th March, 10.30am St Bene't's Church, Cambridge, CB2 3PT' and 'A service for everyone!'.

www.wwdp.org.uk

I will give you rest, come

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 6th March, 10.30am
St Bene't's Church,
Cambridge, CB2 3PT
A service for everyone!

This year's World Day of Prayer service will be held at St. Bene't's on Friday 6th March at 10.30am. The liturgy is written by the women of Nigeria. This is an ecumenical world-wide movement of Christians who believe it is vital to pray for every place on God's earth, to learn and understand the particular needs of that country in order to pray into those places. We are so grateful that the Mayor Cllr. Dinah Pounds will grace us with her presence. Her Chaplain Reverend Devin McLachlan is the priest at St Bene't's so we are delighted this church will host the service this year.

Fri 6 Mar - Organ Meditation - 1pm

Lent Organ Meditation played by Alexander Berry (Great St Mary's)

Friday, 6 March 2026·13:00 – 14:00

Great St Mary's, the University Church, Cambridge

Free admission, retiring collection

Programme for the whole series £2.00



Sun 8 Mar - Rooted

Rooted

A group for people in their 20s & 30s, exploring how to find rootedness in times of change and growth.

Next Meeting

Sunday 8 March, 2.30-3.45

Tea & conversation in Michaelhouse, followed by Choral Evensong in Great St Mary's if you'd like to stay.



Great St Mary's
THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH CAMBRIDGE

Tues 10 Mar - Something Understood



The Incredulity of St. Thomas by Caravaggio
'Something Understood' The GSM Poetry Group
Tuesday 10th March
7.30-9.00pm at 3, Adams Road, Cambridge CB3 9AD

Our Theme will be 'Faith and Doubt'
Everyone is welcome.
Do bring a poem to share if you would like to.
Contact Juliet if you have any questions, or if you'd like a parking space.
juliet@jmcj.org

Next meetings: Tues 14 April - Theme: Thanks and Gratitude

Wed 11 Mar - Lent talk - 3

HOPE *plus...*
*Exploring themes in contemporary
life and faith through the lens of hope*

Hope and Grace
Revd Liam Beadle

(St Edmundsbury Diocese)

A light soup lunch is provided at 1pm with talks
starting at 1.10pm

(A donation of £5 is suggested)

Details of future Lent talks are available on the GSM
website [here](#).



Fri 13 Mar - Organ Meditation - 1pm

Lent Organ Meditation played by Sarah MacDonald (Selwyn College)

Friday, 13 March 2026·13:00 – 14:00
Great St Mary's, the University Church, Cambridge
Free admission, retiring collection
Programme for the whole series £2.00

Sat 14 Mar - Women's Breakfast



Women's Breakfast 9.30am

We meet at Michaelhouse in the Montefiore Room.
All welcome to eat, chat and pray.

Please contact office@gsm.cam.ac.uk for more information.

N.B. The next Men's Breakfast will be on 28 March (not 21 March)

Sat 14 Mar - Pastoral Care Talk

Becoming a Dementia Friend: Information Session



Jan is a volunteer Dementia Friends Ambassador for the Alzheimer's Society and an experienced presenter on this topic.

In addition to her work for the Alzheimer's Society, Jan runs two local support groups for those living with dementia and their carers and welcomes people to a singing group she leads.



an interactive workshop
on how best
to support those
living with dementia
and their carers

Saturday 14 March 2026

11am - 12pm

Michaelhouse Chancel

with coffee/tea from 10.30am

Dementia is now affecting close on one million people in the United Kingdom and the numbers are rising. The chances are most of us will know someone living with this condition. It's not just the elderly either. On Saturday, 14 March, as part of the Great St Mary's series of Pastoral Care Talks, Jan Payne will present a Dementia Friends Information Session. She will explain more about dementia and how we can help both those currently affected and those caring for them. There will be a chance to reflect ways each of us could take to help those living with dementia. Jan is a volunteer Dementia Friends Ambassador for the Alzheimer's Society and an experienced presenter on this topic. In addition to her work for the Alzheimer's Society, Jan has lived experience as a carer for parents with dementia. She runs two support

groups for those living with dementia and their carers and welcomes people to a singing group she leads. In 2024, Jan was presented with a People Award by the Society reflecting her determination to make a difference for people living with dementia or memory loss. Jan may be remembered by some at Great St Mary's as the founding director of the Girls' Choir in 1989.



Sat 14 Mar - Academy of Great St Mary's

THE ACADEMY OF GREAT ST MARY'S
CONDUCTED BY ADAM POUNDS

REFORMATION SYMPHONY
MENDELSSOHN

SOIREES MUSICALES
BRITTEN

ACADEMIC FESTIVAL
OVERTURE
BRAHMS

TICKETS £8-£16 (UNDER 16S FREE) ON ADCTICKETING.COM
AND FROM GSM SHOP - WWW.GREATSTMARYS.ORG
FUNDRAISING EVENT

SATURDAY 14 MARCH - 7.30PM
GREAT ST MARY'S - THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH

Pastoral Care

Pastoral Care and Prayer at Time of Need

Pastoral Visits and Home Communion

If you would appreciate a pastoral visit at home or to receive prayer (either by the Home Intercessors group or as part of the intercessions in GSM services) please do talk to one of the ministry team either in person or contact them via email on clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk Please know that you can request a visit from one of the clergy who would be delighted to *share Holy Communion with you and your loved ones at home.*

If you would like to know more about either the Home Intercessors or the Pastoral Care

Groups from the point of view of joining either group, do please talk to Ally or Clare (or send an email to clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk).

Funeral Plans

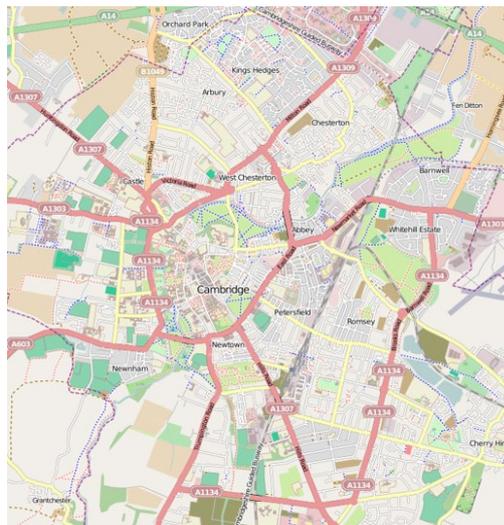
Many people find it helpful to think about their funeral wishes well in advance, and to talk to their family about this, or to a member of the clergy. To help you think about funeral planning please feel welcome to download this [Funeral Wishes Form](#) and use it to record your thoughts. When you are ready, please share what you have noted with your next of kin, and consider if you would like this to be shared also with the clergy team at Great St Mary's so that we can keep it safely for you.

In a pastoral emergency the phone number remains 01223 747277 (messages left on this number will be responded to within 24 hours)

GSM Neighbourhood Groups

Great St Mary's Neighbourhood Groups Are Reforming!

Great St Mary's is blessed with a large and growing congregation. However, with limited time to talk after services, it can be hard to meet people with whom we might have a lot in common. For some members of our church family, travelling into the city centre during the week — especially for those who rely on motorised transport — can also be difficult. In response to these challenges, the Great St Mary's Pastoral Care Group is delighted to be reintroducing Neighbourhood Groups, an idea many will remember and value from earlier years.



How the groups will work

Using the 176 names on the Great St Mary's electoral roll, we have organised these people into four neighbourhood groups, based on where they live:

- West of the Parish
- North and Northeast of the Parish
- Southeast of the Parish
- Central and South of the Parish

Each group will be supported by a local coordinator who lives in that area, all members of the Pastoral Care Group.

The coordinator for each neighbourhood will keep in touch with their group and help organise social gatherings hosted by members who live locally. We hope that each group will have the opportunity to attend at least two home-based gatherings each year, such as tea parties or informal lunches.

What happens next?

Everyone on the electoral roll will soon receive an email asking them to confirm that they are happy to receive communications about their neighbourhood group. After that, your local coordinator will be in touch to introduce themselves and explain how they will share information about events and gatherings in your area.

How can I join a group?

- *If you are on the electoral roll, you will automatically be included in a neighbourhood group unless you choose to opt out.*

- *If you are not on the electoral roll but would like to take part, please email the ministry team at clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk, including your address. You will then be allocated to the group which matches where you live. You will also at this point be given an opportunity to join the electoral roll (in good time for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in May).*

Can I host a gathering?

We are very grateful to the ten people who have already offered their homes as venues for occasional neighbourhood gatherings. If you would also like to host a meeting, the coordinators would be delighted to support you. They can help arrange shared hospitality, so you won't be doing everything on your own.

If you're interested in hosting, please email clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk to let us know.

We are excited about this possibility of connecting our church community in new ways and look forward to seeing these neighbourhood groups flourish.

*Clare Stephenson and Lorna Atwell
Great St Mary's Pastoral Care Group*

Baptism and Confirmation at Great St. Mary's

Baptism is both a sign and a sacrament (an act through which Christians believe there is an effective spiritual change) of commitment to the Christian faith. If the baptism candidate is a child, the commitment extends to the prayerful oversight of their parents or carers and godparents. Baptism is when the worshipping community welcomes the person being baptized into the family of the church. Confirmation is a service during which people who were baptized as a child can make an affirmation of faith for themselves, and this affirmation is confirmed (blessed) by the bishop. It's also possible to be baptized and confirmed at the same service.

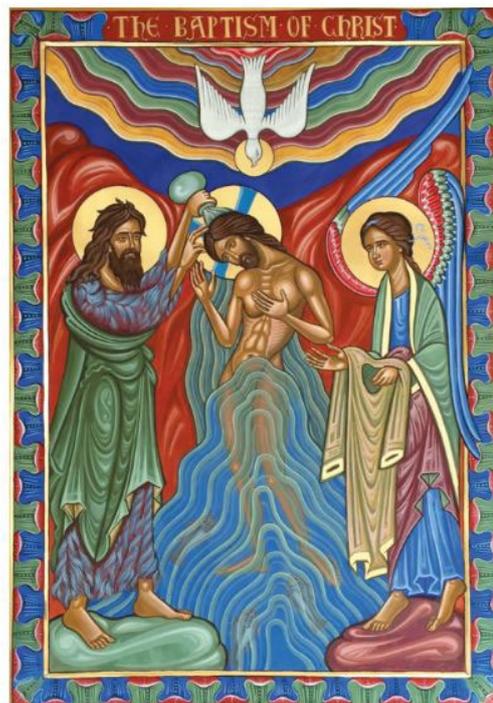
If you have been thinking about baptism for you or your child, please, let us know. Adults who are baptized also prepare for confirmation.

We are delighted that Bishop Martin Seeley will be presiding at the baptism and confirmation service at Great St Mary's on Sunday 17 May. Young people and adults who have not been baptized already can be

baptized at this service at the same time as they are confirmed. Infants can also be baptized at this service, and indeed on a number of other dates throughout the year.

Confirmation preparation sessions for adults will begin on Sunday 15 March 15 at 11.45am for those who are considering confirmation on 17 May. Youth preparation for confirmation will take place as part of the ongoing Emmaus youth group meetings on Sunday evenings at 5pm after chorister evensongs.

If you are considering baptism or confirmation for yourself or your child, then please do contact Jutta, Ally, Clare or Rosie (clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk) to learn more about what this involves and how we can support you/them in terms of preparation.



Year's Mind

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Colin Hill	06-Mar
Douglas Johnston	10-Mar
Stewart Hall	10-Mar
Stephen Hawking	14-Mar
Bill Gaskell	18-Mar
Ilse Man	19-Mar
Catherine Crawford	20-Mar
Norah Orange	21-Mar
Joan Bournnell	23-Mar
Anne Gleave	24-Mar
Colin Campbell	24-Mar
Julia Jepps	25-Mar
Frank Mallett	27-Mar
Betty Gaskell	29-Mar
Elizabeth Coverdale	29-Mar



Service

Easter Lilies



Easter Lilies in memory of a loved one
If you would like an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one for the Easter Day floral arrangement, please sign the list in church with the person's name or e-mail Marianne at marianneh@gsm.cam.ac.uk by Sunday 15 March.

We invite a donation of £5 per lily.

GSM Wider Concerns

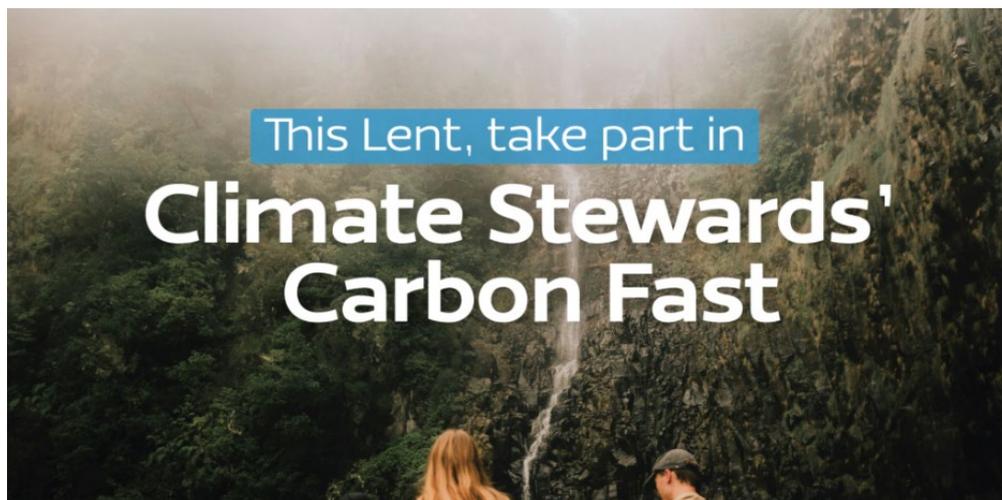
Suppers for the homeless

As usual we are arranging suppers for the homeless at Crossways in collaboration with Sidney Sussex, Corpus, and Caius Colleges.

The final date will be on Friday 6 March from 6.30-8.30pm (including an excellent supper!)

If you would like to be involved in this final supper, please contact margaretj222@gmail.com

Eco Tips - try this for Lent



Traditionally, Lent is a time when Christians fast and focus on God. The Carbon Fast helps us think about our carbon footprint and ask if there is any excess or unnecessary use in our lives, and if any of that excess is acting as a distraction to our relationship with God. An initiative promoted by A Rocha (Eco Church), [read more here](#) and take part in Climate Stewards' Carbon Fast this Lent



News from the Churchyard



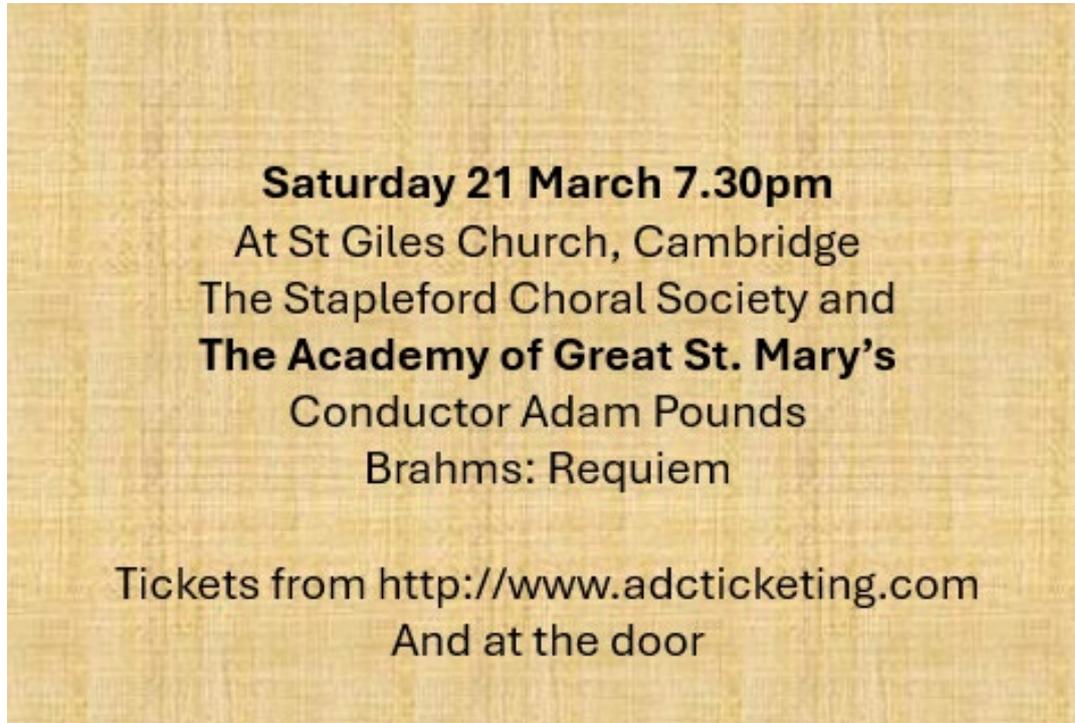
Looking good now...

Hellebore foetidus (on the left of the west door). This native hellebore flowers in the coldest months of the year. The pale green nectar-rich flowers provide a crucial early food source for bees. There are also snowdrops under the lilac (in the North West corner - opposite the Senate House). In the fullness of time, these will develop into full clumps of snowdrops.

The 'All Things Bright and Beautiful Ground Force' have been hard at work, clearing, composting, planting shrubs and literally hundreds of bulbs, establishing new beds, and of course, the everlasting tidying up.

Coming Up....

Academy of Great St Mary's - Sat 21 Mar



Brunch and Boardgames - Sun 22 Mar



Children's Church Plus Event - Everyone is warmly invited to the next Children's Church Plus event: Brunch and Boardgames! The 'plus' means these events are not just for Children's Church families but for anyone from the wider congregation who would like to come. This one will be on Sunday 22 March after the 10 o'clock service, in Michaelhouse, and the cafe will provide the brunch. If you're planning to come, please send Rosie an email (rosieh@gsm.cam.ac.uk), so that we have an idea of numbers for catering purposes.

Choral Evensong - Sun 22 Mar

A decorative border of various green leaves and branches surrounds the central text.

Great St Mary's
THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH CAMBRIDGE

Sunday 22 March at 4pm
at Great St Mary's

Cambridge Festival

Choral Evensong

Preacher:
Brother Samuel SSF

followed at 5.15pm by

Panel Discussion

'Hope in the face of
Environmental Crisis'

Sabbath Rest - Sat 9 May

Pastoral Care



The 2025-6 Programme continues...

Saturday May 9th 2026, 11am-12pm

Sabbath Rest: resting in God's presence
in the midst of a busy life

For more details email clergy@gsm.cam.ac.uk



Elsewhere

How Resilient is Cambridge



A series of 6 free, high-level events at the Guildhall delving into how the climate crisis will impact Cambridge and how prepared we are.

The fourth event deals with the topic of Energy Dependency and will take place on Thursday 12th March.

Doors open at 4.30 and presentations and discussions will be from 5 to 7.

Venue: The Guildhall (central Cambridge Market Square). You can also attend online.

For more details and to book your free place, go to Eventbrite [here](#).

Organised in collaboration by the [Resilience Web](#) and the [Cambridge Room](#).

Future topics in the series: communications (26th March), and community systems (8th April).

2026 Dates for Your Diary

March

Tower closed for repairs on weekdays 23rd February to 20th March

Mondays 5.30-7pm Draw Near Lent Group in Michaelhouse
Wednesdays 1-2pm Lent talk and soup lunch in Michaelhouse
Fridays 1-2pm Lent Organ Meditation in GSM
Saturday 14th 11am Pastoral Care talk in Michaelhouse: *Becoming a Dementia Friend*
Saturday 14th 7.30pm Academy of GSM concert in GSM

April

Saturday 11th 10.30 for 11 Pastoral Care talk in Michaelhouse

May

Saturday 9th Come & Sing
Sunday 10th 11.30 Annual Parochial Church Meeting in Michaelhouse
Thursday 14th Ascension Day: 7.45am Singing from the Tower
Saturday 16th Britten talk and concert
Sunday 17th 10am Baptism and Confirmation Service
Sunday 31st University Sermon - The Rt Revd Dr Paul Swarup, of Clare College, Bishop of Delhi, Church of North India (Ramsden Preacher), Scarlet Day

June

Thursday 4th Clare Priory retreat
Friday/Saturday
19th/20th 24-hour Organathon in Great St Mary's
Saturday 27th Music marathon in Great St Mary's

September

Sunday 6th Patronal Festival and Bicycle Blessing
Sunday 13th
- Tuesday 15th Festival of Preaching
Saturday 19th Parish Quiet Day

October

Sunday 4th Harvest Festival

November

Sunday 8th Remembrance Sunday

December

Tuesday 8th University Carol service

MINISTRY TEAM

	<p>Revd Canon Jutta Brueck Vicar email: juttab@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>		<p>Revd Ally Barrett Associate Vicar email: allyb@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>
	<p>Revd Clare Stephenson Assistant Curate email: clares@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>		<p>Revd Andrew Day Associate Priest email: acd62@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>
	<p>Revd Alison Kennedy Associate Priest email: alisonk@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>		<p>Dr David Grumett Licensed Lay Minister email: davidg@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>
	<p>Revd Graham Stevenson Associate Priest</p>		<p>CHILDREN & YOUTH Great St Mary's offers a range of groups and activities for children from birth to 18. Revd Rosie Hewitt Children and Youth Minister email: rosieh@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>

MUSIC AT THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH

Great St Mary's has a long and rich tradition of music, with six choirs, two pipe organs, an orchestra, and weekly concerts.

	<p>Alex Berry Director of Music email: music@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>		<p>Stanley Godfrey Assistant Director of Music email: music@gsm.cam.ac.uk</p>
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EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH

Great St Mary's regularly welcomes school groups and offers educational outreach around heritage, faith, and sustainability. To find out more, contact Natalie Lealand (nataliel@gsm.cam.ac.uk) or visit www.greatstmarys.org/education

