



**SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2026**

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us today at Otley Parish Church.

If this is your first visit – *an extra special welcome!*

We're pleased you are here and would love to see you again soon.

## OUR SERVICES TODAY



*Palm Sunday*

10.15AM

- Blessing of the Palms & Short Procession ●
- Meet at main church gate in Kirkgate

10.30AM

### ALL-AGE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Theme:

“Two Ways to Change the World”

Bible Reading:

Matthew 27:11-54

6.00PM

**ACTIVATE**

*Lively / Informal / Reflective*



**Otley Parish**  
CHURCH

# WHAT'S ON

**29 MAR - 5 APR**

<b>Sun 29</b>	1.00am	<b>BRITISH SUMMER TIME BEGINS</b> ● <i>Clocks go forward by 1 hour</i>
	10.15am	
	10.30am	<b>All-age Service of the Word</b>
	6.00pm	<b>ACTIVATE</b> – lively / informal / reflective worship ( <i>followed by pizza!!</i> )
<b>Mon 30</b>		<i>See next page for today's Holy Week Services</i>
<b>Tue 31</b>		<i>See next page for today's Holy Week Services</i>
<b>Wed 1</b>	9.30am	<i>See next page for today's Holy Week Services</i> <b>Little Rascals</b> PR
	1.00pm	<b>Baby Rascals</b> PR
<b>Thur 2</b>	6.30pm	<i>See next page for today's Holy Week Services</i> <b>Church Choir Practice</b>
<b>Fri 3</b>		<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>
	10.00am	<i>See next page for today's Holy Week Services</i> <b>Messy Church</b>
<b>Sat 4</b>	8.00am	<i>See next page for today's Holy Week Services</i> <b>Churches Together Prayer Breakfast –</b> <i>United Reformed Church, Bridge Street</i>
	9.00am	<b>Buttercross Stall in Aid of the Roof Fund</b>
<b>Sun 5</b>		<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
	7.00am	<b>Early Morning Service at the Chevin Cross:</b> A Churches Together in Otley event for Easter Day – celebrating that “Christ is Risen”
	10.30am	<b>Easter Sunday Celebration Service with Holy Communion and Baptism</b>

● **Service streaming:** where service streaming is mentioned above, each service is available to watch at home from this time onwards. Previous services are also available. Use the link below to take you straight to our services on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@otleyparishchurch>

## Otley Parish Church

# **HOLY WEEK and EASTER SUNDAY SPECIAL SERVICES**

*Each to be held at Otley Parish Church unless otherwise shown*

### **PALM SUNDAY 29 MARCH**

10.15am: Blessing of the Palms and Short Procession

Meet at the main church gate in Kirkgate

10.30am: All-age Service of the Word

### **MONDAY 30 MARCH**

9.00am: Holy Week Morning Prayer

4.30pm: Holy Week Evening Prayer

### **TUESDAY 31 MARCH**

9.00am: Holy Week Morning Prayer

11.00am: Service of Holy Communion

4.30pm: Holy Week Evening Prayer

### **WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL**

9.00am: Holy Week Morning Prayer

4.30pm: Holy Week Evening Prayer

7.30pm: Stations of the Cross – a time of reflection

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY 2 APRIL**

9.00am: Holy Week Morning Prayer

4.30pm: Holy Week Evening Prayer

7.30pm: Communion Service with Stripping of the Altar

### **GOOD FRIDAY 3 APRIL**

10.00am - 11.30am: Messy Church

12 noon: Good Friday Midday Service at the Chevin Cross

2.00pm: Good Friday Liturgy

7.00pm: "The Cross of Christ" – A Reflective Service for Good Friday

led by Otley Parish Church choir

The service will include congregational singing, readings and anthems

### **SATURDAY 4 APRIL**

9.00am to 5.00pm: Prayer Vigil – Praying for Awakening

### **EASTER SUNDAY 5 APRIL**

7.00am: The Chevin Cross Early Morning Service

(Churches Together in Otley)

10.30am: Easter Celebration Service

with Holy Communion and Baptism

# THE CROSS OF CHRIST

## A Reflective Service for Good Friday



All churches in Otley are welcome to join us for “The Cross of Christ” reflective service on Good Friday evening which will be led by Otley Parish Church choir.

The service will include congregational singing, readings and anthems. The choir will be supported by a visiting singer from the Bridge Church and another from the Methodist Church.

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
**3rd April 2026 at 7pm**  
**Otley Parish Church**

# LOOK WHAT'S

## HAPPENING



### EASTER LILIES

If you would like to donate an Easter Lily for Church decoration and in remembrance of a loved one and would like us to purchase it on your behalf, please have a word with Val Tait in Church either this Sunday or on Sunday 29th, or give her a call on 01943 464032.

Alternatively, you may bring lilies to Church on Easter Saturday 4th April between 9am and 11am. There will be a sheet at the back of Church for you to put your loved one's name(s).

On Easter Sunday a full list will be available for everyone to pick up.

### PRAYER VIGIL ON HOLY SATURDAY 4th APRIL

The Prayer Room will be in our youth vestry, and open from 9am to 5pm. You can arrange to share the space with friends, or go on your own. The focus of our prayers is for God to move in grace and power in Otley, and praying for the needs of the people of Otley, that they might meet the risen Lord Jesus. You will need to book a prayer slot by using this link:

<https://pray.24-7prayer.com/signup/eedecb>

### ► WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES ◀

New sets of numbered weekly offering envelopes are available at the back of the Church. If you prefer to give weekly either by cash or cheque, please feel free to take a set and make use of them. They last for the one year from April 6. If you use the envelopes and pay income tax, please consider gift aiding your donations, which increases their value by 25%. If you wish to do this, please ensure you have signed a gift aid form and let our Treasurer, Tony Pike, know the number on the envelopes you are using. Thank you for your continued support of the Church.



### GOOD FRIDAY

3rd April

10am to 11.30am

Come and join us for a time of fun, games, crafts, Bible stories & refreshments.

*All children must be accompanied by an adult.*

# PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

## Prayer for Today, Palm Sunday

True and humble King,  
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:  
grant us the faith to know you and love you,  
that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross,  
which is the path of glory.  
Amen.

## Please pray for our local community and the world:

### Our topic for the week ahead:

- Medical and healthcare workers

### Those who live and work in the Otley streets of:

- Manor Square ● Manor Street

### Our Church family who are experiencing health issues:

- Gwyneth Blackburn ● Eddie Butlin ● Pauline Coultas ● Wendy Hipwell ● David Parkin ● Carol Porter ● Cliff Porter ● Peggy Reeve ● Jean Schofield ● Sheila Simpson ● Erika Twichell

### Those in residential care homes:

- Nancy Lester ● Noreen McCormack

## OTLEY PARISH CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS

### CONTACTS:

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**Enquiries for Baptisms/Christenings/Weddings:** Church Administrator (see above)

**Church Website:** <https://otleyparishchurch.org>

### NOTICE SHEET INFORMATION:

Send details to [stephenhey01@gmail.com](mailto:stephenhey01@gmail.com) by Wednesday 12 noon