

ST GEORGE'S CHAPEL



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

2018

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THIS is an invitation to you to take part in this year's Holy Week and Easter services at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle.

St Augustine, a great scholar and bishop in the early Church, said: "Our hearts are restless until they rest in God." Another way of putting this is to say that the deep and abiding longing for love in every human heart will only ever be fully satisfied when we encounter the God of love, and are assured of God's care for us. Perhaps the enduring religious quests of humankind are all, in their various ways, some kind of seeking for the peace that only a meeting with the God of love can provide.

Christians believe that, strange though it seems, the end of all our spiritual exploration is located at Calvary. Contemplating Jesus on the cross we sometimes see, with the eye of faith, a clear expression of who God is. We understand God to be all self-giving love. During Holy Week, and especially on Good Friday, we open our hearts to this wonderful truth, and pray for grace to live in its light.

Our faith of course is often fragile. We wonder if we can really trust what we believe that we have seen in Jesus. But then, on Easter Sunday, we hear tell of his resurrection appearances to his first followers. In heart and mind, we share their confidence that Jesus is genuinely a disclosure of a love that will never be defeated, and will never let us go; the love of God.

Such confidence makes such a difference to us. It means that, in the midst of all the complexity and trouble of our times, we can go on hoping. And hope engenders the courage and conviction that are needed if we are to contribute to the making of the kind of world that an all-loving God desires.

The times of our services are printed here. I should be delighted if you were to choose to be with us as we celebrate that which lies at the heart of Christian faith.

The Right Reverend David Conner KCVO
Dean of Windsor

SERVICES-All Welcome

Sunday 25 March—Palm Sunday

- 8.30 am **Holy Communion with Blessing of Palms** (said)
10.45 am **Mattins with Blessing of Palms and Sermon**
12 noon **Sung Eucharist with Blessing of Palms**
5.15 pm **Evensong**

Monday 26 March

- 8 am **Holy Communion** (said)
5.15 pm **Evensong**

Tuesday 27 March

- 8 am **Holy Communion** (said)
5.15 pm **Evening Prayer** (said)

Wednesday 28 March

- 8 am **Holy Communion** (said)
5.15 pm **Evening Prayer** (said)

Thursday 29 March—Maundy Thursday

- 8 am **Holy Communion & Blessing of Oils** (said)
5.15 pm **Evening Prayer** (said)
8 pm **Eucharist of the Last Supper** sung by the Lay Clerks

Friday 30 March—Good Friday

- 11.15 am **Liturgy for Good Friday**
1.30 pm–4 pm The Chapel is open to the public (by way of the Castle admission centre) with a short service every twenty minutes.
5.15 pm **Evening Prayer** (said)

Saturday 31 March—Easter Eve

- 5.15 pm **Evening Prayer** (said)
8 pm **The Easter Liturgy and First Eucharist of Easter**

Sunday 1 April—Easter Sunday

- 8.30 am **Holy Communion** (said)
10.45 am **Mattins and Sermon**
Preacher: The Right Reverend David Conner KCVO, Dean of Windsor
Entry is by way of the Castle admission centre by 10.15am.
Please be seated by 10.30am.
12 noon **Holy Communion** (said)
Please ensure you do not join the queue for Castle admissions.
3.30 pm **Evensong**

**The Chapel choir is on holiday from 2 April to 15 April inclusive.
Services continue daily, either said or sung by a visiting choir.**

Daily Services in St George's Chapel

We are always delighted to welcome members of the public to our services.

Sunday

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.45 am Sung Mattins*

12 noon Sung Eucharist*

5.15 pm Evensong*

Monday to Saturday

7.30 am Mattins

8.00 am Holy Communion

5.15 pm Evensong*

(except Wednesdays when the Service is said)

On some Saints' Days there is a Sung Eucharist at 5.15 pm.

On Fridays there is an additional Holy Communion Service at 12 noon.

*Sung by the Chapel choir during term time.

The Chapel is open to visitors, by way of the Castle admission centre as follows during Holy Week 2018:

Monday 26 March	Open 10am - 4pm
Tuesday 27 March	Open 10am - 4pm
Wednesday 28 March	St George's Chapel closed
Thursday 29 March	Castle closed
Friday 30 March	Open 1.30pm - 4pm
Saturday 31 March	Open 11am - 4pm

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