

ST GEORGE'S CHAPEL
WINDSOR CASTLE



EASTER 2011

SERVICES FROM 27 MARCH

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IT gives me great pleasure to invite you to be with us at St George's, Windsor for our Holy Week and Easter services.

Each year, as we reflect on the betrayal, denial, trial and crucifixion of Jesus, we are reminded that our world can be very dark. Indeed, when we hear of so much cruelty, injustice and suffering around us, we hardly need reminding. It feels as if there is some downward-dragging force at work, viciously spoiling everything. We can be tempted to despair.

The fact is, however, that we go on hoping for a better world, and believing that it will one day come about. Hope and belief are nourished by a mystery; the 'miracle of good'. It is the case that, in spite of all the wickedness we know of, such qualities as kindness, compassion, gentleness, patience, forgiveness and courage persist in erupting in the lives of individuals, families and communities everywhere. There is some strength here that, in the end, no downward-dragging force can overcome.

That mystery and miracle we recognise at Eastertide. During Holy Week, we look full in the face some of the harshest facts of life. But, as we watch Jesus on the Cross, we realize that there is some power at work that no wickedness will ever get the better of. It is of course the power of love, the Love of God, whose victory we celebrate at Easter.

I do hope you will want to be with us. The times of our services are printed below.

The Right Reverend David Conner
Dean of Windsor

SERVICES-All Welcome

Sunday 27 March

5.15 pm **A Service of Music and Readings for Passiontide**

Sunday 17 April—Palm Sunday

8.30 am **Holy Communion with Blessing of Palms**

10.45 am **Mattins with Blessing of Palms,
Procession and Sermon** *sung by the Lay Clerks*

11.45 am **Sung Eucharist with Blessing of Palms**
sung by the Lay Clerks

5.15 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Monday 18 April

8 am **Holy Communion**

5.15 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Tuesday 19 April

8 am **Holy Communion**

5.15 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Wednesday 20 April

8 am **Holy Communion**

5.15 pm **Said Evening Prayer**

Thursday 21 April—Maundy Thursday

8 am **Holy Communion & Blessing of Oils**

5.15 pm **Said Evening Prayer**

8 pm **Eucharist of the Last Supper** *sung by the Full Choir*

Friday 22 April—Good Friday

11.15 am **Liturgy for Good Friday** *sung by the Full Choir*

2pm–4pm The Chapel is open to the public (by way of the Castle admission centre) with a hymn, reading and prayer every twenty minutes.

5.15 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*

Saturday 23 April—Easter Eve

5.15 pm **Said Evening Prayer**

8 pm **Easter Vigil and Eucharist** *sung by the Full Choir*

Sunday 24 April—Easter Sunday

8.10 am **Holy Communion** *sung by the Full Choir*. This service is being broadcast live on Radio 4. Please be seated by 7.50 am.

10.45 am **Mattins and Sermon** *sung by the Full Choir*

Preacher: The Right Reverend David Conner, Dean of Windsor
Please be seated by 10.30am.

Entry is by way of the Castle admission centre.

12 noon **Holy Communion** Said service.

3.30 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Full Choir*.

The Chapel Choir is then on holiday until Thursday 28 April 2011.
However, services continue daily as detailed below.

Daily Services in St George's Chapel

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

Monday to Saturday

7.30 am Mattins

8.00 am Holy Communion

5.15 pm Evensong*

(except Wednesdays when the Service is said)

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

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

Sunday

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.45 am Sung Mattins*

11.45 am Sung Eucharist*

5.15 pm Evensong*

*Sung by the Chapel choir during term time.

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