

Next week – 12th April 2026

Cleaning	Liz
JAM	No JAM
Coffee	Mei & Jude
Music	Karen

Services Sunday 12th April 2026

10.00am Morning Prayer

Leading: Ross Terranova
Reading: Alan Warner *John 3: 1-18*
Praying: Mei Chong
Preaching: Ross Terranova

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Leading: John Paul
Reading: Liz Nicolaides *Mark 1: 1-8*
Praying: Ruth Campbell
Preaching: Ross Terranova

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Prayer Themes for the Week

Thank God for his amazing love shown to us in all that he went through for us in His Son Jesus. Thank him for the promise of new hope and new life grounded in the reality of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

Pray for all those who struggle to believe in the hope of resurrection life - those struggling with bereavement, tragedy and loss - those dealing with the darkness of depression.

Pray especially for those affected by war and violence - conflicts in Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

**Mission (CPAS)
Church Pastoral Aid Society**

Pray for CPAS as it continues its calling to work with churches and leaders to help them share the gospel afresh in each generation.

Praise God that there are signs of a growing openness towards spirituality and faith, particularly in the younger generations. Pray that churches and Christian leaders would be bold in proclaiming the gospel.

Pray for the Broads Cruise Venture that is taking place early this month, for the young people and leaders to have a fun time and encounter God's love.

Collect

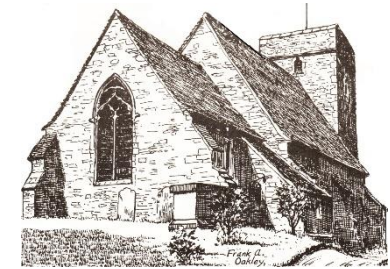
God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Thought for the Week

“ just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”

Romans 6 v 4b

St. Peter's Church



Welcome

'We are here to demonstrate God's love for all as shown in Jesus to people where we live and work.'

**Services Today 5th April 2026
Easter Sunday**

10.00 am Holy Communion

Leading: Ross Terranova
Reading: Jenny Stout *Matthew 28: 1-20,*
p.1000

Praying: Carolyn McMahon
Preaching: Ross Terranova

6.30pm Easter Praise

Leading: Ross Terranova
Reading: Kathy Mitchell *John 20: 1-18, p.1089*
Praying: Ross Terranova
Preaching: Ross Terranova

Welcome to Our Services Today

Easter Day

Easter is the greatest festival for the Christian Church. It is quite simple. *Without the bodily resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth there would be*

no Christian faith, or church. How would it have been possible for the early followers of Jesus to speak of his triumph over the forces of sin, decay and death if he had finished his own life dying on a Roman cross on a rubbish heap outside the city walls of Jerusalem?

It was the astonishing, literally unbelievable reality of his resurrection that came like an explosion from another reality and jet propelled the extraordinary growth of the early Christian church. The resurrection of Jesus is God's signpost amidst the rubble of human history that he is going to remake and renew the world - it will be a new creation and for those who trust in Christ they too will know his resurrection life which includes the body - as the Christian creeds proclaim - **I believe in the Resurrection of the Body - and the life everlasting.**

A huge thank you to everyone who has been involved in making the church look so delightful for our Easter celebrations.

After the service, please join with us in the **Church Centre** across the road for some Easter refreshments!

Diary for w/c 5th April at St Peter's Church **Wed**

9.30am -11.00am - **Crafty Coffee** - Golding Room

Bakers

Thank you to everyone who has already offered to help with catering at the Church Centre after Brian Stuart's Thanksgiving Service on **Tuesday 14th April**. If anyone else is willing to help, please speak to Ruth Campbell as soon as possible.

We are also looking for cakes/scone bakers for **Saturday 18th April** when Kent County Organist's Association are visiting our church. Please speak to John Paul or Carolyn McMahon if you can help with this.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (AGM) – **Sunday 19th April**

This meeting will be after the morning service on *April 19th*. Please make sure this is in your diary so you can be there!

There are nomination forms at the back of the church on the font if you would like any, as there will be elections of parochial representatives to the Deanery Synod and the Parochial Church Council.

Ladies Lunch - Monday 13th April at 12.45pm

This will be held at the Redstart, Barming. Please book your place with Jenny Stout ASAP, with your choice of main course from the à la carte menu on-line. 07952 648583

Hazlitt Theatre Visit – 21st – 25th April

The next production of the Willington Players will be the Agatha Christie thriller, "**Towards Zero**". All £17 tickets, for any performance, bought through the Church will earn us a charity rebate, so book your tickets NOW through Ruth Campbell (dittonchurchevents@gmail.com).

"I AM MARK" A Churches Together in **Malling free event – Sat 25th April at 7pm**

"One man, one chair, one incredible true story" a new staging of the Gospel of Mark. More details from Carolyn in the Church Office.

Church Away Day - Saturday 9th May

At the beautiful St Benedicts West Malling. We are delighted that Tim Yearsley, who grew up in Ditton Church, will be our speaker. Tim is now Head of Innovation at the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity (LICC). There will be tea and coffee available from 9.30am and the day will start at 10am. The cost will be kept at £25 per person and this will include a buffet lunch and tea/coffee/squash throughout the day. The day will finish at 3.30pm. Booking forms will be available in church form next week.

Orchard Mill Visiting

We plan to visit Orchard Mill (the new housing estate) on **Monday June 1st** as part of our ongoing outreach to the new homes and families there. Our plan is to leaflet homes with an invitation to our Open Air Service which is on **June 28th at 11.00am**. We will meet at **Orchard Mill at 7pm** that evening. The more people we have, the more houses we can cover! Please put the date in your diary.