

Palm Sunday

9.00am Traditional Communion
10.30am Informal Communion
4.00pm Messy Church
(British Legion)



This is the day we remember Jesus riding into Jerusalem and being welcomed by the crowds. Before the 10.30am service we meet in the Hall and walk around the church to symbolise this journey. We enter the church with songs of praise. At Messy Church we will have a donkey with us, as this is how Jesus arrived in the city. And we will have lots of fun as we recall the joy and happiness that Jesus brought.

Maundy Thursday

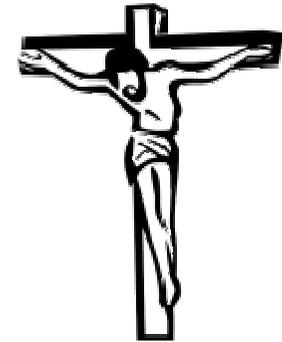
8.00pm Communion



'Maundy' comes from the Latin word for 'command' because Jesus gave a new commandment: to love others as he loves us. We start at the west end (near the main door) where we sit in a circle and re-enact the Last Supper, including the washing of a person's feet. We then walk to the east end (near the Communion Table) to remember Jesus going to the Garden of Gethsemane, represented by our Chapel. You may wish to stay or return to the Chapel late into the night to pray.

Good Friday

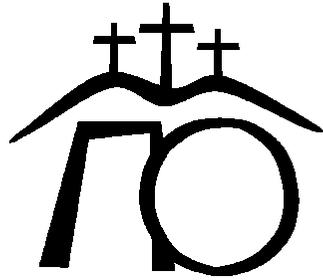
10.00am All Age Service
(St John's in Churt)
11.00am Quiet Service
Midday Walk of Witness



Christ's death on the Cross is at the centre of the Christian faith. At our sister church of St. John's we have an interactive event for all ages, offering different ways to remember this special day. At St. Alban's we have a very simple meditative service consisting of hymns, readings, short talks, and extended times of silence. This is followed by a walk through the village with a large cross; pausing at various places to remember Jesus' journey to Calvary. We then gather at the URC for prayer and refreshments.

Easter Saturday

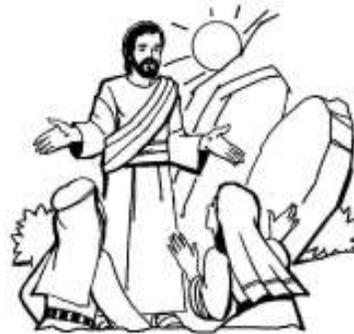
7.30pm Easter Vigil



This service lasts about an hour. We meet in the church to hear the story of God's love. Along with the readings, there is singing and prayer. We then leave the church by the side door and walk to the front lawn. Here we find a fire and we light a candle to remember that Jesus is the light of the world who has risen from the dead. We enter the brightly lit church where we stand around the font. With the symbolism of water we reaffirm our baptism vows and commit ourselves afresh to the risen Lord.

Easter Sunday

10.00am All Age Communion



There is one morning service as we gather as a church family to celebrate the Resurrection. Everyone is welcome to come and join in this great festival. The Communion reminds us of all the events of the last few days. It also looks forward to the heavenly feast when those who have trusted in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus will gather together in praise and worship, and will enjoy the eternal life that is made possible because Jesus has beaten and destroyed sin and death.



Journey to Easter

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