

# Wareham's Church of England Family

## EASTER DAY

5<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## Alleluia! Christ is Risen

Lord of all life and power,  
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son  
overcame the old order of sin and death  
to make all things new in him:  
grant that we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
may reign with him in glory; to whom with you  
and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory  
and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen**

### This Sunday's Services

5<sup>th</sup> April 2026

#### Bible Readings:

Acts 10. 34-43 · John 20.1-18 or Matthew 28. 1-10

Time	Service	Location
6am	Easter Dawn Service	Wareham Quay
8am	Holy Communion	Lady St Mary, Wareham
10am	Sung Communion <i>Celebration for All Ages</i>	Lady St Mary, Wareham
10am	All-Age Easter Communion <i>Café Style</i>	Sandford St Martin's
10am	Easter Day Communion (BCP)	St John the Evangelist, East Holme
10.30	Easter Day Communion (BCP)	St Nicholas, Arne

### WEDNESDAY of EASTER WEEK

8<sup>th</sup> April 2026

11am	Holy Communion	St Martin on the Walls, Wareham
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# Mission Prayer

Living God,  
as we rejoice in the resurrection,  
we give thanks for Christians across the world,  
also witnessing to your living presence today.  
We pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land and  
across the Middle East, persevering in faith and offering care,  
to those who need shelter, food and comfort.  
Protect and renew them in the midst of suffering.  
And help us to remain faithful in prayer and support for them.  
This we ask in the name of our risen Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

*Adapted from Embrace the Middle East prayer resources*

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## Coming Up

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting** 29<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm, the Parish Hall

In preparation for the APCM we have individual church meetings to elect PCC representatives, local Wardens & members of Church Committees:

St Martin on the Walls	15 <sup>th</sup> April at 12 noon
Sandford St Martin	19 <sup>th</sup> April at 10.15am
Lady St Mary, Wareham	19 <sup>th</sup> April at 11.15am

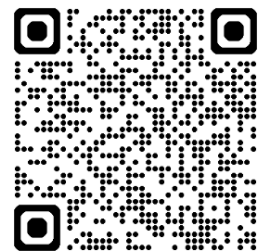
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## Alpha Course starting in May

**Do you want to know more about the  
Christian faith?**

Wareham's Church of England Family  
is hosting an Alpha Course



### Q What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. No pressure. No strings. Just space for meeting new friends, good food, interesting talks, and open conversations. That's it. The course usually runs over 8 / 11 weeks – each week a different big question around the Christian faith is discussed and explored together. The course is free and everyone's welcome. No matter your background or beliefs, **you're invited.** (Scan the QR code above for more information)

### Q When and Where?

The first session will start on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm at the Rectory in Wareham.**  
The follow-on sessions will alternate between the Rectory and Sandford School.

**Please register your interest** - Interested in joining in or inviting a friend?

Then please email: [alpha@warehamchurches.org.uk](mailto:alpha@warehamchurches.org.uk) or

Tel: The Parish Office 01929 550905 **We look forward to seeing you**

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## **We Pray**

### **For our church family:**

Helen & Eddie Byron, Simon Clare, Jane Patterson, John Cleaton, Tom Lane and June Gover. We continue to pray for baby Sylvia and her family.

### **For those who have died:**

Pat Lloyd and all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time  
Loved ones we remember with Easter Lilies in Lady St Mary's Church.  
We pray for families visiting graves of loved ones this Easter.

May God's resurrection presence bring comfort to all who mourn.

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## **Gathering for Prayer**

### **Parish Prayer Group**

Every Tuesday at 7.30 – 8.30 pm, in one of our homes.

All welcome. We pray for global and local needs, mission and ministry and individuals. For venue, contact Parish Office Tel: 01929 550905

### **Prayers for Peace**

Every Friday at 5pm in Lady St Mary Church.

All are invited to make time to pause and pray for peace in our world, in our communities and in our own lives.

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**HAPPY EASTER** *from the clergy team, Deborah, Neil, Hilary, Michael & Shelma* and thank you, to all who have helped on the journey to Easter.

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## **Donations**

Please consider making a Donation to support the work & maintenance of the church in the Parish of Wareham. Contactless donations can be made by selecting your donation amount and tapping the digital giving machine in church. Alternatively, you can simply scan the QR code.



**Thank you for your generous support of this Church**

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**Next Sunday**

12<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Bible Readings:**

Acts 2. 14a, 22-32 · John 20. 19-31

Time	Service	Location
8am	Holy Communion	Lady St Mary, Wareham
9am	Breakfast @ 9	Sandford St Martin's
10am	Sung Communion	Lady St Mary, Wareham
10.30am	Holy Communion	Sandford St Martin's
6pm	Going Deeper	Sandford St Martin's

**Wednesday**

15<sup>th</sup> April 2026

11am	Holy Communion	St Martin on the Walls, Wareham
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