

Messy Church

Holiday activities, worship, and food for all the family!

Free but booking advised at ticketsource.co.uk/wantage-parish

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE PARTY:

Tuesday 17 February
2pm at Holy Trinity Charlton

ALMOST EASTER!:

Monday 30 March
2pm at Holy Trinity Charlton



Lent Trail

Look out for posters in local businesses between 20 March and 10 April, telling the Easter story.

Find them all to collect an Easter Egg!

What's on

MESSY CHURCH activities for all the family
(Half Term and Easter Holiday)

LENT TRAIL round the town

REFLECTIVE SERVICES on Fridays and Sundays

CELEBRATE IN THE SQUARE on Palm Sunday and Good Friday

MUSIC from Wantage Parish Church Choir

Plus a full schedule of traditional services throughout Lent and Easter



wantage parish



Lent and Easter 2026

Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul, Wantage:
Church Street, Wantage, OX12 8AQ

Holy Trinity, Charlton:
Charlton Village Road, Wantage OX12 7HW

www.wantageparish.com

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 18 February

Begin Lent with a traditional penitential service, with the invitation to receive ashes

9.30 am at Holy Trinity Charlton

7 pm at the Parish Church with the Choir

Friday Compline

9 pm at the Parish Church, weekly from 20 Feb to 27 March

A short meditative service of chant and choral music to end the day



Lent Concert

Sat 28 March, 7 pm at the Parish Church

Music and words for Lent and Passiontide

Tickets £12/£10, free under-18. Book at ticketsource.co.uk/wantage-parish-music-guild or on the door.

Palm Sunday

Sunday 29 March, 10am in the Market Place

Join Wantage Silver Band and the local churches for a short outdoor service, with a four-footed special guest from Island Farm Donkey Sanctuary! **Optional morning walk meet 9 am Holy Trinity.**

Sunday Devotions

5 pm at the Parish Church *except 8 March*

22 February: Stations of the Cross

1 March: Choral Evensong with Wantage Parish Choir

8 March: Vigil of Lament on Covid Day of Reflection. *3 pm in Market Place west end*
Come and light a candle for our community as the church bell tolls 27 times for those lost in the pandemic. **Contribute to the Rags for Reflection banner** in the church or museum

15 March: Taizé Prayers. A meditative service using chant from the ecumenical community of Taizé.

22 March: Tenebrae – The Service of Shadows. A traditional service for Passiontide, sung by the Choir.

29 March: Improvisations of the Cross. Stations of the Cross with organ improvisations from John Ridgway.



Triduum: the Three Holy Days

MAUNDY THURSDAY 2 April

8 – 9.30 pm at the Parish Church

GOOD FRIDAY 3 April

9.30 am Holy Trinity Charlton

11.30 am Kingsgrove Square

Join Christians from across Wantage to walk with the Cross

12.30 Wantage Market Place

1.30 – 3 pm Parish Church



HOLY SATURDAY 4 April

Easter Vigil 10 pm at the Parish Church

The Easter equivalent of Midnight Mass, starting outdoors with the bonfire!

For full details of services see [website](https://www.wantageparish.org.uk)

Easter Day

Sunday 5 April

8 am at the Parish Church

9.15 am at Holy Trinity Charlton

10.30 am at the Parish Church

with Easter Egg Hunt!