

## Please remember in your prayers

### All those who live in:

Chaffinch Avenue, Chaffinch Close  
Coverack Close

### Churches Together in Shirley:

St. George's – the People of this Church and Parish

### Those in acute need, among them:

Peter Collingham; Ken; Verity Johnson; Paul Oates;

### Those whose need is ongoing, among them:

Camilla Harley; Mark and Paul Hare  
Steve Barrett; Pat Barrett  
Catharine Wilkinson; Ruth and Tony  
Fiona Sibley; Jill Hollamby; Alison Stiff  
Mike Wilkins; Chris Reynolds; Debbie Bell

### Those who are no longer able to attend church:

Pam Purkis, Heather Orton

### Those who have died recently

Jean Wells

### Those whose year's mind falls at this time:

James Robert Wood; Anne Piper; Betty Pendry  
Sylvia Grace Hedger; Edward Piercy; Betty Eyre  
Henry John Sheppard; John Robert Reeman  
Jessie Wilton; Frederick Thomas Harold Guppy



The Parish of  
**St George the Martyr**  
Shirley

# NEWSLETTER

✦ *Following Christ* ✦ *Serving Community* ✦ *Welcoming All* ✦

**Sunday 12th April 2026**  
**10am All Age Eucharist**  
**2nd Sunday of Easter**

### Monday 13th April

9.30am Little Dragons (Toddler Group)  
10:30am Pop-In (Senior's club in Hall)



### Tuesday 14th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

### Wednesday 15th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer  
10am Church Cleaning  
11:30am Eucharist in the Lady Chapel



### Thursday 16th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

### Friday 17th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

Why not join us for  
Morning Prayer on Zoom?

User ID: 898 1412 8311  
Password: 58L79A

### Next Week: Sunday 19th April

Third Sunday of Easter  
Parish Eucharist

Priest in Charge: Revd. Jenny Walpole  
07947 585326

Email: [rev.jennywalpole@gmail.com](mailto:rev.jennywalpole@gmail.com)

### Quiz Fest: Saturday 25th April 2026 at St George's

Arrive at 7pm. Tickets £12 each or £80 for a table of 8 people.

Contact Liz Bebington: [lizbeb@gmail.com](mailto:lizbeb@gmail.com) or phone 020 8777 4840

### Patronal Festival

We will be celebrating our Patronal Festival (St George) on Sunday 26th April during our morning service. Mother Joyce Forbes will be preaching.

### APCM: Sunday 17th May

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 17th May in the Church Hall after the morning service. We are looking for a variety of people to join our PCC who can help us look back, support us to engage with the present, and look to the future. We are also seeking one new Churchwarden. Please speak to Rev Jenny Walpole or Jan Turner for a conversation or further information.

**Parish Giving** offers a simple and cost-effective way to support our church's mission. Unlike traditional standing orders, using Parish Giving reduces the banking fees the church may have to pay, meaning a greater proportion of every donation goes directly towards ministry, outreach, and maintaining our buildings, rather than covering administrative costs. If you are able to sign up for Gift Aid, they claim this for us monthly which reduces the burden on our volunteers and improves our cash flow. Parish Giving is secure, flexible, and easy to manage, allowing you to adjust your giving as circumstances change. By choosing Parish Giving, you help us to be good stewards of the resources entrusted to us, ensuring that more of your generosity is put to work serving our parish and wider community.

#### PARISH GIVING (regular donations)

Please join the Parish Giving Scheme and set up a direct debit on this page: [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) and then type in this parish code: **370637372**

#### ONE OFF DONATIONS

*Please put your name as a reference.*

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St George the Martyr, Shirley  
Sort code: 60 - 23 - 22  
Account number: 44558422

### Preserves Sale next Sunday (19th April)

Hilary will have some preserves for sale for Church fundas in the hall after the service next Sunday.

### Eco Tip: No 223 Eco-friendly Spring Cleaning

Use natural cleaning agents. Mix equal parts white vinegar and water for a versatile, non-toxic cleaner. Baking soda works well for scrubbing stains.

### The Funeral of Jean Wells

Jean's funeral will be held at St George's Church on Friday 1st May at 10:30am. Further details will be shared in due course.

### Parish Trip to Winchester

Ray Wheeler and Rev Jenny are organising a Parish Trip (pilgrimage) to Winchester on Saturday 27th June. The cost will be transport, your own lunch and £10 entry to the Cathedral. More details to follow soon.

### Save the date

Saturday 18th July from 4pm "Summer Gathering with hog roast".

### Holiday and Training:

Rev Jenny Walpole will be on annual leave for two weeks from Monday 6th April - Sunday 19th April. Then on residential training from 20th April, returning on Saturday 25th April. In the meantime please contact our Churchward Jan Turner: [jan.m09@gmail.com](mailto:jan.m09@gmail.com) / 07786 556 149 or Rev Hilary Fife : [thefifes19@gmail.com](mailto:thefifes19@gmail.com) / 07931 761 320

### Shrublands Trust Foodbank—Most Needed Items

<input type="checkbox"/> Biscuits, savoury	<input type="checkbox"/> Laundry tablets	<input type="checkbox"/> Rice Pudding
<input type="checkbox"/> Cream Crackers	<input type="checkbox"/> Meat	<input type="checkbox"/> Tomatoes
<input type="checkbox"/> Fruit juice	<input type="checkbox"/> Milk, UHT / powdered	<input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste
<input type="checkbox"/> Fruit squash	<input type="checkbox"/> Milk, whole	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables

If you would like to make a cash or cheque donation (payable to St. George's Shirley PCC), please place it in an envelope marked "Foodbank" and place it in the offertory bag during the collection. Thank you.