

Please remember in your prayers

All those who live in:

Bywood Avenue; Camrose Close;
Carrington Close; Castleton Close

Churches Together in Shirley:

West Wickham and Shirley Baptist Church
Our Lady of the Annunciation (R.C.)

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, Christina Smith

Those whose year's mind falls at this time:

Harold Willis (Priest); Ernest John Hawkins;
John Bennett Wells; Edward James Heathman;
Evelyn Palmer Hambling; George James Dent;
Dorothy Emma Carter; Doris May Barnett



The Parish of
St George the Martyr
Shirley

NEWSLETTER

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

Sunday 5th April 2026
10am Parish Eucharist
Easter Day

Monday 6th April

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 7th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

Wednesday 8th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

10am Church Cleaning

11:30am Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

Thursday 9th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

Friday 10th April

9am Zoom Morning Prayer

Next Week: Sunday 12th April

Second Sunday of Easter

All-age Eucharist



Why not join us for
Morning Prayer on Zoom?

User ID: 898 1412 8311
Password: 58L79A

Priest in Charge: Revd. Jenny Walpole
07947 585326

Email: 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 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 and then type in this parish code: **370637372**

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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

Wishing you all a very happy Easter and a big thank you to everyone who helped us prepare!

Eco Tip: No 222 Use a washing-up bowl

Rather than doing the dishes under a running tap, use a washing-up bowl of hot, soapy water. Refill the bowl with clean water for rinsing, and you'll use only a fraction of the water you would if you kept the tap running.

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 / 07786 556 149 or Rev Hilary Fife : thefifes19@gmail.com / 07931 761 320

Shrublands Trust Foodbank—Most Needed Items

<input type="checkbox"/> Baked beans	<input type="checkbox"/> Meatballs	<input type="checkbox"/> Fruit, in juice or dried
<input type="checkbox"/> Biscuits, savoury	<input type="checkbox"/> Potatoes, tin or mash	<input type="checkbox"/> Meat
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish, in water	<input type="checkbox"/> Rice pudding	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar
<input type="checkbox"/> Fruit juice	<input type="checkbox"/> Shampoo/Conditioner	<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.