

Bournville Parish Church

St Francis of Assisi



Celebrating Holy Week and Easter 2019

Details of Services and Events

Palm Sunday, 14th April

Holy Week begins with the celebration of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey and being welcomed with shouts of 'Hosanna!'



8.15 am Holy Communion

9.00 am Breakfast and Procession (*weather permitting we will gather in the car park at the end of Bournville Park*)

10.00 am All-together Communion Service in Church

6.30pm Evensong at St Francis *or*
Churches Together in B30 joint service at The Cotteridge Church.

Weekday Holy Week Eucharists

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday there will be a said service of Holy Communion with silent prayer.

Monday 15 th April	7.00 pm
Tuesday 16 th April	12 noon
Wednesday 17 th April	7.00 pm



There will also be the other usual weekday services:

Monday 9.15 am *Lectio Divina*,

Tuesday 5.45 pm Evening Prayer;

Thursday 9.15am Morning Prayer followed by Eucharist.

Tuesday Evening Film: *Babette's Feast*

Tuesday 16th April in the St Francis Youth and Community Centre.
Doors open at 7.00 pm for refreshments; film starts at 7.30 pm.

We will be watching *Babette's Feast*. This highly original film won best foreign film awards at the BAFTAs and the Oscars in 1988. It tells the story of Babette, a beautiful and mysterious French refugee who arrives in a remote Danish town. The tight-knit, puritanical community begrudgingly let her in, providing her with shelter and work. It is a story of generosity, grace and the transforming power of a shared meal. (Rated U, with subtitles).

Maundy Thursday, 18th April

We celebrate Jesus giving us the new command: to love one another as he loves us, and we remember the night before his crucifixion: the Last Supper at which he washed his disciples' feet and instituted the eucharist, and his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane before his arrest.

7.00 pm Eucharist with a symbolic act of Foot Washing

The church will remain open as we begin to keep watch in prayer in the spirit of Gethsemane.

10.00 pm Night Prayer



Good Friday, 19th April

The church will remain open all day as we continue to keep watch and pray. These services will take place as a focus for our remembering of the cross.

10.00 am All-Age service for Good Friday followed by Hot Cross Buns

12.00 – 3.00 pm: Reflections on the Passion Story and the Liturgy of Good Friday

*Reflections on **The Seven Last Words from the Cross**
led by Canon Peter Babington*

This service is a series of meditations reflecting on the Seven Last Words of Jesus from Cross. The service will include a series of reflections interspersed with readings, prayer, silence and hymns. Please feel free to come and go as you wish in the first two hours. The final hour will include the final meditation and then an act of worship for Good Friday.



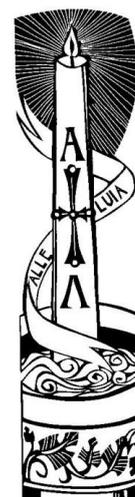
7.30pm **The Way of the Cross** A Passiontide Sequence of Words and Music
Choral meditations led by the church choir.

Holy Saturday, 20th April

We gather in darkness to hear again the story of our salvation and to re-affirm our baptismal faith.

8.00 pm The Easter Vigil – a traditional watch service

- ✘ we kindle the Easter fire
- ✘ hear readings from Scripture,
- ✘ light the Easter Candle
- ✘ and renew our Baptismal Vows.



Christ is risen! He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Easter Day, Sunday 21st April

We hear the story of the empty tomb and continue to celebrate together the good news that Christ is risen!

8.15 a.m. Holy Communion

9.00 a.m. Rise and Shine (Breakfast-time service in the Church Hall)

10.00 a.m. Celebration of Holy Communion and Adult Baptisms.

The service will also include activities for children.

Please bring with you a single flower with which to decorate the Easter Cross.

Please note that there is no Evensong on Easter Day.

