

**SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER
MAUNDY THURSDAY**

7.30pm Holy Communion Abbotsley

GOOD FRIDAY

10am Liturgy of the Cross Little Gransden

2pm Watch by the Cross Waresley

6pm 'God so loved the World' Great Gransden

EASTER SUNDAY

9.30am Family Communion Great Gransden

10am Family Communion Abbotsley

11.15am Family Communion Waresley

CHURCH DIARY

Wed	3pm	Funeral	GG Church
	6.30pm	Choir Practice	GG Church
Thur	7.30pm	Bellringers Annual Meeting	Nutbells
	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion	A Church
Fri	10am	Liturgy of the Cross	LG Church
	2pm	Watch by the Cross	W Church
	6pm	'God so loved the World'	GG Church

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE IN THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

Sunday 16th April

9.30 am	Family Communion CW	GG
10 am	Family Communion CW	A
11.15 am	Family Communion CW	W

Sunday 23rd April

9.30 am	Family Communion CW	LG
11 am	All Age Worship	A
6 pm	Evening Prayer BCP	GG

A = Abbotsley, GG = Great Gransden, LG = Little Gransden, W = Waresley
BCP = Book of Common Prayer, CW = Common Worship

CONTACTS

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Great and Little Gransden Churches

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**THE PARISHES OF
GREAT GRANSDEN, ABBOTSLEY,
LITTLE GRANSDEN AND WARESLEY**

9th April 2017

Palm Sunday

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION FROM THE SCHOOL

During Lent we sing the Kyries (kneeling) in place of the Gloria:

Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example
of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

PSALM 118.19-24

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

20 'This is the gate of the Lord;
he who is righteous may enter.'

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief corner-stone.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

23 This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 2.5-11 (*not announced*)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death -
even death on a cross.

SENDING OUT

BLESSING AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PALMS

The priest gives the **BLESSING**.

We sing the final hymn

DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

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NOTICES

CONFIRMATION—would any adult or young person who wishes to be confirmed this year please contact The Revd Catharine Furlong (677227) for further details including preparation times.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS - Each year both parishes have two Annual Meetings—firstly the Vestry Meeting when the Churchwardens are elected and secondly the Annual Church Meeting when Reports are presented and the PCC elected. A joint meeting for both parishes of Gt and Lt Gransden will be held on Tuesday 25th April when each parish will hold separate elections. **NOTE Change of time & Venue to 7.45pm Gt Gransden Church.**

GROUP SERVICE 30th April 10am at Abbotsley—we welcome Simon Pickering from 'Winter Comfort' an organization in Cambridge supporting the homeless. There will be a retiring collection for their work.

The Choir will sing the *Agnus Dei: from Messe Basse by Gabriel Faure, for upper voices only.*

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei qui tollis, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere, miserere, miserere nobis, miserere.
Agnus Dei, Agnus Dei dona, dona nobis,
donna nobis pacem, dona nobis pacem,
dona nobis, dona nobis pacem,
dona pacem.

THE COMMUNION

Before the distribution, the priest says:

Priest: God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
To the glory of God the Father.**

ALL are welcome at the altar to receive communion or God's blessing.
The Choir may sing an **ANTHEM**. If time permits please join the
Choir in singing the **COMMUNION HYMN**.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 21.1-11

Priest: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion.

Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

Priest This is the gospel of the Lord. **All Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Please remain standing

Priest The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Priest It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**All You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

Priest In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**All He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

Priest On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

Priest At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new
covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of
sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

Priest As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in
glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**All As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Priest With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our
voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please kneel or sit

Priest As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

Priest We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**