



5th Sunday of Lent
6th April 2025

Parish of Greenstead with St. Anne
(Registered Charity Number: 1206571)

*"Christ, Community, Church: serving our communities
and bringing people closer to God."*

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Our Services and Readings:

| Date | St. Anne's Church | St Andrew's Church | Readings |
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| 6 th April (5 th Sunday of Lent) | 10:00am Church@10 With Holy Communion | 11:00am Praise Today With Holy Communion | Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8 |
| 13 th April (Palm Sunday) | 10:00am Church@10 | 11:00am Weekly Sunday Holy Communion | Luke 19:28-40 – Liturgy of the Palms. Dramatised Liturgy of the Passion |
| 14 th , 15 th and 16 th April (Holy Week Compline Services) | - 7:30pm, 14 th April at St. Matthew's Church - 7:30pm, 15 th April at St. Anne's Church - 7:30pm, 16 th April St. Matthew's Church | No Service | TBC |
| 17 th April (Maundy Thursday) | No Service | 7:30pm Holy Communion With Hand Washing | Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35 |
| 18 th April (Good Friday) | No Service | 2:00pm Stations of the Cross | Stations of the Cross |
| 20 th April (Easter Day) | 10:00am Church@10 With Holy Communion | 10:00am Praise Today With Holy Communion | Acts 10:34-43 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Luke 24:1-12 |

You can also join us for:

Morning Prayer (Thursday 9:00am on FaceBook) & Early Night Prayer (Friday 6:00pm on FaceBook)

What's on...

Stay & Play:

St Andrew's Stay & Play will not take part during the school holidays on 9th or 16th April. It will return on 23rd April – at a new location - St John Payne Church Hall, Blackthorn Avenue, and at a new time of 9.30am-11.30am.

Community Café:

The Community Café will be open for refreshments and company at St. Anne's Church on Saturday 19th April and Saturday 3rd May between 10:00am – 12:00 midday.

Eco Church:

Get to your nearest green space more often

Now that Spring is here why not spend some time at your nearest green space. Time spent enjoying God's creation will help set your mind and seek the things that are above. Bring your sketch or note book, your Bible, or whatever helps you connect with our heavenly Father. Or perhaps God is inviting you to just bring yourself and simply sit.

Foodbank:

We continue to have a box for donations to the Foodbank in our churches. We know that times are difficult, but perhaps you could buy an item (or more) and leave it in the boxes when you attend church? On the Colchester Foodbank Facebook page, there is usually a long list of items that they are desperately short of. Any donations of these items would be particularly welcome. As always, if you need help from the Foodbank, Revd. Sue is happy to give you a voucher. The Greenstead Foodbank is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 10.00am until 12.00pm.

Open Church:

Open Church will not take part during the school holidays on 9th or 16th April. It will return on 23rd April with a new time of 2:00pm-4:30pm, with Celtic Evening Prayer starting at 4:30pm.

Mega Kids:

We have a Mega Kidz Special taking place from 10:00-11:30am on Good Friday (18th April).

And then Mega Kidz will also take place on Sunday 27th April from 11:30am-12:30pm.

Both of the above will take place at St. Anne's Church.

The Chosen – The Last Supper:

The Odeon Cinema, Colchester, is showing 'The Chosen: The Last Supper, Part 1' on Thursday April 10th at 7:50pm and on Sunday April 13th at 12.20. Tickets are now on sale online and in person at the cinema. The trailer can be seen online. For more information please visit: <https://www.odeon.co.uk/films/the-chosen-last-supper-part-1/HO00006875/>

Holiday Food Programme:

Essex Boys and Girls Clubs, in partnership with Active Essex will be delivering the Holiday and Food Programme at St. Annes Community Centre, Harwich Road, Colchester CO4 3DH, on the following days: Monday 7th April, Tuesday 8th April, Thursday 10th April, Friday 11th April, Monday 14th April, Tuesday 15 April. Each session will be from 10.00 am – 2.00 pm and is for children aged 5 – 13. In order to book, the families need their Holiday Activities Voucher Code e-voucher. Families who are in need of child care will need to email haf@activeessex.org to ask if space is available.

Safeguarding Is Everyone's Responsibility:

- **Recognise** – The signs that could indicate abuse is happening.
- **Respond** – Sensitively listen – don't question or investigate, never promise confidentiality, but explain what you intend to do.
- **Record** – What you have been told or what you have seen, factually & accurately ASAP.
- **Refer** – Immediately to Parish Safeguarding Officer or Diocesan Safeguarding Team, who will decide/assist on further action.