

## THIS WEEK

The Church of England in Whittlesey, Pondersbridge and Coates



### Sunday 22 March 2026 – Fifth Sunday of Lent (Purple) – Benefice Service

Common Worship Lectionary Readings: Ezekiel 37: 1–14, Romans 8: 6-11, John 11: 1 - 45

10.00 Benefice Holy Communion at St Thomas' Church, Pondersbridge

### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

09.00 – 11.00 Trinity Tots at Holy Trinity Church, Coates

### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

09.30 and 10.45 Easter Service for Coates Primary School at Holy Trinity Church

### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

09.15 Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Holy Communion Service at Holy Trinity Church, Coates  
11.30- 14.30 Friends of St Andrew's Frugal Lent Lunch in St Andrew's Church Hall

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>

10.00 Holy Communion at St Mary's Church, Whittlesey  
15.00 Assembly at Coates Primary School

### Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

09.30 Morning Prayer Service at St Mary's Church, Whittlesey  
10.00 – 12.00 Open Church at St Mary's Church, Whittlesey  
12.000 Stations of the Cross at St Mary's Church, Whittlesey

### Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast at Pondersbridge in the Village Hall  
09.30 – 11.00 Pathway Lego Club in St Andrew's Church Hall

### Sunday 29 March 2026 – Palm Sunday (Red) Common Worship Lectionary Readings:

Palm Gospel: Matthew 21: 1 – 11, Isaiah 50: 4-9a, Matthew 27: 11-54

09.30 Holy Communion Service at St Andrew's Church, Whittlesey  
09.30 Holy Communion Service at Holy Trinity Church, Coates  
11.00 Holy Communion Service at St Mary's Church, Whittlesey  
18.00 Holy Communion Service at St Thomas' Pondersbridge

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For your **PRAYERS** this week:

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Collect for Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary (25<sup>th</sup> March)**

We beseech you, O Lord, pour your grace into our hearts,  
that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel,  
so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory 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.

**For those who are unwell at this time and in need of healing,**

Almighty God, in you we live and move and have our being. We praise and bless you, Lord  
Grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured or disabled, that they may be made whole.

The Venerable David Fleming, Jane Smith, Lucy & Albert Rogers,  
Jean Willows, Diana Blake, Eileen George,

*(If you would like to add a name to the prayer list for healing, please let us know. People with ongoing  
need of healing remain in our prayers even if their names no longer appear here.)*

**We remember those who have recently died and pray for their family and friends at this  
difficult time**

Ian Brown

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