

*Our churches are hoping to welcome a new Vicar later this year to continue our parish mission and development*



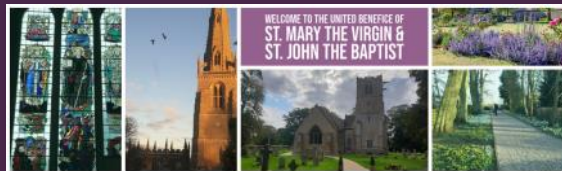
*St Mary's and St John's have been serving the people of Higham Ferrers and Chelveston since the 13th century*



*Thanks to everyone's generosity with our St Mary's 600 Appeal, a new heating system was installed in 2021*



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## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2022



*Bishop to lead Easter  
Worship in our churches*

• *Everyone is welcome* •

## Bishop John is to visit our churches in Chelveston and Higham Ferrers to lead our Holy Week and Easter Celebrations

The week begins on Palm Sunday, 10 April, with processions and palm crosses. It continues with devotional services and activities for young people and ends with our Easter Praise Celebrations on Sunday 17 April when once again Bishop John Holbrook will be our guest preacher.

*“ In recent years extra bells have been added to the peal in our church tower to ring in joy at Easter ...*

### PALM SUNDAY

Sunday 10 April

9am Parish Communion (with palms)  
St John's, Chelveston

9am Family informal worship – with a palm procession  
Bede House, Higham Ferrers

10.30am Parish procession from the Town Hall to St Mary's Church Eucharist, Higham Ferrers

### MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday 14 April

7.30pm Bishop John leads our service recalling the Last Supper and Jesus washing his disciples' feet as a sign that we are here to serve one another

St Mary's, Higham Ferrers

### GOOD FRIDAY

Friday 15 April

10am–12noon

Exploring Easter

Activities for young people in the Bede House and church grounds including handicrafts, a walk through the way of the Cross and preparing the Easter Garden

St Mary's, Higham Ferrers

2–3pm The Last Hour at the Cross  
We mark the final hour of the Lord's agony on the Cross with meditations and music led by Bishop John

St Mary's, Higham Ferrers

### EASTER SATURDAY

Saturday 16 April

7.30pm Lighting the Easter Fire  
As the daylight fades we light the Easter candle and prepare to celebrate the dawn of Easter and fill our church with light and joy

St John's, Chelveston

*“ Easter has been celebrated here more than 800 times and the Resurrection story is still greeted with joy ...*

### EASTER DAY

Sunday 17 April

#### EGGS AND EXCITEMENT

Bishop John will be preaching at both these services

9am Parish Communion for Easter  
St John's, Chelveston

10.30am Easter Praise – Eucharist  
St Mary's, Higham Ferrers



Easter Egg Hunt  
St Mary's churchyard