

PARISH OF GREAT YARMOUTH

GREAT YARMOUTH MINSTER + ST PAUL'S + ST MARY'S

Sunday 19th April 2026 Third Sunday of Easter

Services Today:

- 9.30 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Paul's
- 10.30 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at the Minster
- 11.00 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Mary's
- 18.00 Choral Evensong at the Minster

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Reflection

Our Gospel reading this Sunday is the story of the road to Emmaus. It's the longest episode recounting Jesus appearing to two of the disciples after his resurrection. He spends a long time walking with them and then stopping to eat, and during that journey their innermost hopes and fears are revealed. One of the most puzzling aspects of the story is that in all the time that the travellers spend with Jesus, they don't recognize him until he actually breaks bread with them at the end. What this might say to us is that, when is sometimes feels as though we are isolated, disconnected, travelling through life alone, Jesus travels with us, although we might not always recognise him. Perhaps we're not meant to have life all worked out from the beginning, but we work it out together as we go along. Jesus return from the dead gives us hope to travel on despite the tricky terrain and moments of suffering along the way. We accompany one another along the road, travelling with hope and met by the Risen Christ at Easter.

Revd Liz

This Week's Diary

Minster open daily 10am-12pm Morning Prayer is said daily Monday - Thursday in the Minster at 9am All welcome

Date	Time	Service/Event	Church/Location
Monday 20th	10.00	Craft Group	St Mary's
	14.00	Place of Welcome	St Paul's
	17.00	Faith and Friends	Minster
Tuesday 21st	12.00	Lunchtime Holy Communion	Minster
	13.30	Hand Bell Ringers Practice	Vestry
Wednesday 22nd	10.00	Mid-week Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.00	Garden Project	St Paul's
	12.30	Wednesday Club	St Mary's
	19.00	Bible Study	Rev Liz's House
Thursday 23rd	10.00	Reflective Space	St Mary's
	16.45	Choristers	Minster
	19.00	Bell Ringers Practice	Minster
	19.00	Choir Rehearsals	Minster
Friday 24th			
Saturday 25th	10.00	Vestry Hour	Minster
	12.00	Alpha Course	Vestry
	15.00	Peace Walk	Fisherman's Hospital
Sunday 26th	10.30	Parish Sunday Worship with Holy Communion	Minster
	12.00	Annual Parochial Church Meeting	Minster
	15.00	Orchestra Rehearsal	Minster

Notices

New Administrator: We are pleased to welcome Sarah Kemp to the parish staff. Office hours will be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10am-1pm. Welcome Sarah: we hope you will enjoy working with us!

Easter Pathway Foodbank Appeal: we need donations of the following: Tinned meat/fish/veg/fruit; Cooking sauces; Coffee; Milk (UHT or powdered); Cereals; Fruit juice (long life); Tinned pudding; Jam; Instant mashed potato. Please leave in Church.

Annual Report time: Final call for 2026 reports for any church group you are responsible for. Please email to the office, by **Wednesday 22nd: 9am latest.**

Annual Parochial Church Meeting: Sunday 26th April: 12 noon

Alpha Course every Saturday 12pm: until 16th May: Minster vestry. See <https://alpha.org.uk/what-is-alpha>.

Funeral of the Late Tom Gilbert: Wednesday 29th April: 1.30 pm at the Minster.

Minster Maintenance on Monday 27th at 6pm: sweeping tidying and odd jobs to be done at the Minster. All welcome

PARISH PRAYER LIST. Pray for those who are sick or in need, all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit or in need of God's loving care: Kevin, Len, Joanne, Bobby, Patrick, Penny, Rosemarie, Norman, Stephen, Hazel. We remember before God the recently departed: Maurice Burley, Karen Homer-Gallop, Tom Gilbert, Mario Shillito, Joan Varney and Jenny Oxborough.