

Prayer & Worship

Collect for the Second Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die
for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of
malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus
Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

For Prayer

Those in need of our prayer:

Claire, Connie, Jenny Radnedge,
Jonathan, Margaret Rowe,
Margaret Townsend, Richard, Ros,
Tom, Val Rope, Verner Pedersen.

Year's Mind

Those who have died in the last 10 years:

Paul Brooke

Others whose name appears in our book of remembrance from earlier years:

Madeline Woodrow, Botwright Chaplin,
Jim Drane, Delphine Hubbard.

Sunday 12th April Second Sunday of Easter

8.00am BCP Communion
led by Edward Carter

 10.00am Sung Eucharist
led by Edward Carter,
with sermon given by Catherine Waddams

5.00pm Plainsong Evensong
led by Edward Carter,
with sermon given by Edward Carter

This Week

Tuesday 14th April

1.00pm CW Communion,
led by Andrew Parsons

Wednesday 15th April

7.30am CW Communion,
led by Fiona Haworth

 1.00pm Live-streamed reflection
led by Catherine Waddams

Thursday 16th April

1.00pm BCP Communion,
led by Brian O'Rourke

Sunday 19th April Third Sunday of Easter

8.00am BCP Communion
led by Fiona Haworth

 10.00am Sung Eucharist
led by Brian O'Rourke,
with sermon given by Fiona Haworth

5.00pm Stations of the Resurrection
led by Fiona Haworth

Mancroft News

The Weekly Newsletter for St Peter Mancroft, Norwich

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Easter Confirmations



Last weekend four members of St Peter Mancroft were confirmed at the Cathedral by the Bishop of Norwich in a service which also marked the beginning of this year's Easter celebrations.

'Confirmation' is when a Christian makes their own affirmation of faith, marked with special prayers said by the Bishop, and anointing with the sign of the cross.

The group was prepared during Lent by Mancroft's Vicar, Edward Carter.

Congratulations to Glynis, Jo, Rou and Gwen!

AGM Document now available



The Annual General Meeting for St Peter Mancroft Church is at **7.00pm in the Chantry Hall on Thursday 30th April 2026.**

The first part of the meeting is the Annual Meeting of Parishioners, at which two Churchwardens are elected for the coming year. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting then follows, at which various reports are received, as well as the Accounts for 2025. Elections to the PCC and the Deanery Synod are held, and questions are invited.

In advance of the meeting, a booklet which includes the Agenda and various other information has been produced. Copies are now available at the back of church.

Prior to 30th April, copies of the Report & Accounts will also be printed for circulation.

Speaking last week, Mancroft's Vicar, Canon Edward Carter, said:

"The AGM is a moment to celebrate all that's happening at our church, as well as an opportunity to ensure office-holders are held to account. I do encourage everyone to attend and to enjoy reading the booklet in advance of the meeting. It contains updates that tell a story of great commitment and enthusiasm."

If you wish to vote at the AGM and have been worshipping at Mancroft for at least six months, you can be added to the church's Electoral Roll. Forms are available at the back of the church, or contact the Church Office.

www.stpetermancroft.org.uk

Celebrating Mancroft Life

Think about Volunteering



At St Peter Mancroft, volunteers are at the heart of everything we do.

With over 150 people generously giving their time and talents, the life of the church is enriched in countless ways each week.

From the beauty of the flower arrangements, to the dedication of our choir and bell ringers, to the warmth of our welcomers and the care of our stewards, every contribution helps to create a place that is vibrant, prayerful and open to all.

Many of these roles happen quietly behind the scenes, yet they make a profound difference. A carefully arranged display of flowers can lift the spirit; a well-rung peal of bells can mark celebration or reflection; a friendly face at the door can make someone feel they belong. Together, our volunteers help shape services and events, as well as the overall experience of entering this sacred space.

Volunteering at St Peter Mancroft is also about community. It's a chance to meet others, to be part of something meaningful, and to play a role in the ongoing story of this remarkable church. Whether you have a particular skill to offer or simply a willingness to help, there is a place for you.

As we look ahead, we would love to welcome more people into our volunteer community. There are opportunities to suit all interests and availabilities - whether you can help regularly or only occasionally - and full support is always given.

If you've ever wondered how you might get involved, this could be the moment to speak to any of the ministry team or email secretary@stpetermancroft.org.uk.

Everyone has something to offer, and every contribution, however small, helps St Peter Mancroft flourish.

Chantry Hall Access

'The Chantry' is the private pathway which is owned by The Assembly House and runs from Theatre Street to the Chantry Hall carpark.

Starting on Tuesday, 14th April, and then over the next several weeks, work is being carried out on The Chantry to adapt it into a gated path. There will not be any access during this period.

Once the work is done, a scheme will be put in place to allow access for users of the Chantry Hall. However, the pathway will no longer be open to the general public as a 'cut-through'.

Thank you for your patience as this work is carried out by The Assembly House, during which time it will be possible to walk from the Chantry Hall to the Church via the St Stephen's churchyard.

Notices and Forthcoming Events

Emmanuel Bach 11th April



An outstanding violinist brings a richly varied programme to life. From intimate lyricism to dazzling virtuosity, this recital promises both depth and delight. It's a chance to pause, listen, and be transported - what better way to spend a Saturday lunchtime?

Entry free, 11th April, 1.00pm

Spring Flowers



Many thanks from Diana Pordham to everyone who contributed towards our Easter flowers.

Spring flowers bring a sense of joy and fresh beginnings. Blossom bursts into life around us, a reminder of hope and renewal.

In these difficult times, as the days grow lighter, may we find energy, encouragement and delight in all that is unfolding, and carry that sense of new life into the weeks ahead.

Forthcoming Recitals



All are on Saturdays at 1.00pm and are free for anyone to attend. There is a voluntary retiring collection.

May 2nd **Pearl in the Egg**, *Tudor music*

May 16th **Hannah Watson Emmrich**, *piano*

May 23rd **Simon Lawford**, *organ*

May 30th **Jessica Summers**, *soprano*

June 6th **Aurora Consort**, *a Capella*

June 27th **Krassimira Jeliakova**, *violin*

July 4th **Future Generation Organists**

July 18th **Lizzie Gutteridge**, *folk*

August 1st **Zaira Palumbo**, *soprano*

August 8th **Katie Bycroft**, *flute*

August 15th **Emilija Karaliute**, *kankles*

August 22nd **Karen Verrechia**, *clarinet*

September 5th **Gordon Pullin**, *voices and organ*

September 12th **Julian Haggett**, *organ*

September 19th **Lewis Kingsley Peart**, *piano*

September 26th **Katy Thomson**, *soprano*

December 5th **St Cecilia's Singers**

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