

A photograph of Southwell Minster, a large stone church with two prominent square towers topped with conical roofs. The main tower on the right is taller and more detailed, featuring a large Gothic window. The sky is blue with light clouds. The text 'Holy Week and Easter 2021 at Southwell Minster' is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WITH SOUTHWELL MINSTER

Join us this Holy Week and Easter, as we celebrate the events at the heart of the Christian faith – of the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

As our nation begins to emerge from lockdown, our worship this Holy Week will be a combination of services in the Minster (some of which will also be livestreamed) and others which, due to continued restrictions, will be online only.

All online services listed below will be available on the Minster's YouTube channel, and at www.southwellminster.org/theme/worship-online/. For major services in the Minster (as indicated below), please book your place via the Minster website.



PALM SUNDAY (28 MARCH)

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION *Booking not required*

A traditional service of Holy Communion for Palm Sunday, from the Book of Common Prayer.

10.00am THE LITURGY OF PALM SUNDAY *Booking required/Online*

Our principal service for Palm Sunday includes the story of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, as well as the Passion Gospel sung in dramatic form.

3.30pm EVENSONG *Online*

Solemn music and readings as we begin our journey through Holy Week.



**MONDAY TO THURSDAY OF
HOLY WEEK (29 MARCH – 1 APRIL)**

1.15PM HOLY COMMUNION

Booking not required

A simple celebration of the Eucharist.



MONDAY–TUESDAY

5.30pm EVENSONG

Online

A spare and reflective service of Evensong, sung by the Cathedral's Choristers.

**WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
(31 MARCH)**

**7.30pm A SERVICE FOR THE
RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT TO
MINISTRY**

Online

On what would have been the night of the Diocese's Chrism Eucharist, when holy oils are blessed and clergy renew their ministerial vows, Bishop Paul and Bishop Andy lead a service in which all Christians are invited to reflect on and re-affirm their call to follow Jesus.



MAUNDY THURSDAY (1 APRIL)

**7.00PM THE LITURGY OF
MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Booking required/Online

We recall Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples, before going on to reflect on his betrayal and arrest. The service ends with the dramatic stripping of the altars and the Watch, waiting with Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane. For those who wish to stay (or to leave and return later), the vigil continues until 10.00pm.

GOOD FRIDAY (2 APRIL)

Booking not required

**10.00–11.45am WALKING
THROUGH GOOD FRIDAY**

Join the Good Friday family trail around the Minster grounds, meeting characters from the Easter story along the way and finding out what happened on the first Good Friday. With take-away crafts to do at home. The trail will take around 40 minutes.

12.00 noon THE THREE HOURS

Online

Online readings and reflections by the Minster clergy, with devotional music by the Cathedral Choir.

3.00pm THE LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY

Booking required/Online

Music, readings, prayers, silence, and Holy Communion at the foot of the Cross.

5.30pm EVENSONG

Online

A traditional, though sparse, service of Evensong.

EASTER EVE (3 APRIL)

5.30pm EVENSONG

Online

The words and music of Evensong sustain us as we watch and wait, in the emptiness of Easter Eve.

8.00pm VIGIL OF READINGS

Online

Readings and psalms, sung by the Cathedral Choir, tell the story of salvation as we watch and wait in hope for the dawning of Easter.

EASTER DAY (4 APRIL)

5.30am THE EASTER LITURGY

Booking not required/Online

The lighting of the Easter fire, the proclamation of Easter, the renewal of baptismal vows, and a joyful celebration of Holy Communion in the most liturgically important service of the Christian year.

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION

Booking not required

An Easter service of Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer.

10.00am CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST FOR EASTER DAY

Booking required/Online

Preacher: The Rt Revd Paul Williams, Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham
Our principal Eucharist for Easter, with joyful music, and the Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham's Easter sermon.

11.00am MATTINS

Online

Preacher: The Rt Revd Dr Andy Emerton, Bishop of Sherwood
A traditional, festal service of Mattins for Easter Day, simultaneously broadcast on Notts TV.

3.30 EVENSONG

Online

We gather to hear Easter readings and music, giving voice to the joy of the Resurrection.



For a full list of services taking place in Holy Week, please [click here](#)