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Easter Thoughts

Easter is on the early side this year, giving us a four-day weekend at the very beginning of April. From the secular perspective, this is our first Bank Holiday since Christmas and New Year break, so many working stiffes would say the earlier the better. An early Easter challenges those who use the long weekend to pad out their holidays, for it could still be chilly within striking distance of a comfortable drive or a cheap flight, and gardeners can only pray that the saints will smile on their endeavours. (If you'd like to start now, the Irish monk St. Fiacre is a great patron of gardeners, as are St. Isidore the Farmer, the floriate St. Dorothy, the horticultural Benedictine St. Adalard, and the legendary St. Phochas, a gardener who dug his own grave when his conversion occasioned his martyrdom.

Some people, of course, will actually be going to church. Empirical evidence suggests that Easter is one festival that still draws crowds to churches and cathedrals: where the whole congregation sometimes fits beneath the dome of St. Paul's on Palm Sunday, it will be standing room only a week later. Of course, attending a service in a foreign place of worship happily marries observance with tourism, and provides intriguing insights into local culture; it can also be a good way to meet the locals, so visitors might well forsake the glory of the cathedral for the warmth of the City churches. Easter also occasions much fine music – choral masses, well-rehearsed anthems, favourite hymns, a special turn from the Sunday School – and the dedication to music (not to mention the acoustics) of many City churches also warmly recommends their Easter programmes.

The focus for most is Easter Sunday, the day of resurrection, victory and new beginnings. Yet for the observant, the entire week is the most profound and complex of the Christian year. Some people will be going to church almost every day, for Palm Sunday, Holy Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday; a few will even keep a vigil on or through the night of Holy Saturday. Much of this will pass unregarded as Oxford Street teems with shoppers on the darkest day of the Christian year, and Hot Cross Buns are now sold year-round, but there are many find rewards in the ancient cycle of prayer, observance, abstinence and celebration, and some are particularly moved by the performance of these ceremonies in ancient churches, where so many have worshipped before.

Easter is, of course, a moveable feast, related to but not always synchronous with Passover, and based on a luni-solar cycle according to rules of such complexity that the Western and Eastern churches often celebrate the same festivals on different days. However, this year and next, Easter will be the same for both, and thus a particularly apt occasion to visit St. Dunstan-in-the-West, where the moving service of Tenebrae ('Shadows') will be celebrated in both the Western and Byzantine traditions on the evening of Holy Wednesday. With so many services during Holy Week, the modern pilgrim could enjoy a selection of City churches (not least those with reputations for both music and hospitality, such as St. Anne and St. Agnes, St. Magnus the Martyr, or St Stephen Walbrook). Easter will be late next year, with Easter Monday falling a week before the first May Bank Holiday, so the canny planner might want to start thinking about a spring holiday then in a country with a reputation for colourful religious festivals.

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or www.london-city-churches.org.uk for downloadable maps and links to all the churches in the city?

REGULAR SERVICES IN MARCH 2010

THE SERVICES BELOW ARE THE NORMAL PATTERN FOR CITY CHURCHES. THEY ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DURING THE MAJOR FESTIVALS AND HOLIDAYS. YOU ARE ADVISED TO TELEPHONE CHURCHES TO CHECK THE DETAILS. WEEKEND DETAILS (INC SUNDAYS) ON OUR WEBSITE – www.cityevents.org.uk

Every Monday

0805 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
0830 Morning Prayer **All Hallows by the Tower**
0830 Holy Communion **St Bride Fleet Street**
0830 Morning Prayer **St Giles Cripplegate**
1100 Morning Prayer (CW) **St Martin Ludgate**
1215 Mass **St Vedast alias Foster**
1230 RC Mass **St Bartholomew the Less**
1300 Prayer Meeting **St Margaret Pattens**
1305 Holy Communion (1662) **St Mary Aldermary**
1305 Said Eucharist **St Botolph Aldgate**
1305 Healing Service **St Mary le Bow**
1305 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
1310 Mass **St Alban the Martyr**
1730 Evening Prayer **All Hallows by the Tower**

Every Tuesday

0745 Eucharist **St Mary le Bow**
0805 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
0830 Eucharist **All Hallows by the Tower**
0830 Morning Prayer **St Bride Flee**
0830 Morning Prayer **St Giles Cripplegate**
1215 Mass **St Vedast alias Foster**
1230 Holy Communion **St Olave Hart Street**
1230 Low Mass **St Magnus the Martyr**
1230 Holy Communion **St Bartholomew the Great**
1230 Eucharist **St Dunstan in the West**
1235 Holy Communion (BCP) **St Andrew by the Wardrobe**
1300 Bible Talk, with lunch at 1330 **St Helen Bishopsgate**
1300 Bible Talk, with lunch at 1330 **St Botolph Aldersgate**
1305 Eucharist **St Andrew Holborn**
1305 Eucharist **St Botolph Aldgate**
1305 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
1310 Eucharist **St Mary Woolnoth**
1310 Holy Communion (BCP) **St Margaret Lothbury**
1310 Mass **St Alban the Martyr**
1730 Evening Prayer **All Hallows by the Tower**
1730 Evening Prayer **St Dunstan in the West**
1815 Choral Evensong **St Sepulchre without Newgate**
1800 'Holy Joes' - Discussion and spirituality in a mainly Christian context held in the crypt café of **St Mary le Bow**

Every Wednesday

0805 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
0830 Morning Prayer **All Hallows by the Tower**
0830 Holy Communion **St Bride Fleet Street**
0830 Morning Prayer **St Giles Cripplegate**
0830 Holy Communion (BCP) **St Lawrence Jewry**
1205 Mass **St Joseph Bunhill Row**
1215 Mass **St Vedast alias Foster**
1230 Holy Communion **St Bartholomew the Less**
1230 Holy Communion **St Mary Abchurch**
1235 Holy Communion (BCP) **St Andrew by the Wardrobe**
1250 'Celebrate' – 'Informal Worship & teaching'
St Margaret Lothbury
1300 Holy Communion **St Mary at Hill**
1305 Sung Eucharist **St Katharine Cree**
1305 Eucharist **St Mary le Bow**
1305 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
1310 Mass **St Alban the Martyr**
1310 Sung Eucharist **St Botolph Bishopsgate**
1310 Pause for Reflection **St Ethelburga's Centre**

1310 Holy Communion (1662 said) **St Michael Cornhill**
1315 Holy Communion (BCP) **St James Garlickhythe**
1700 to 1900 Abundant - Prayer in the City
St Botolph Bishopsgate
1730 Evening Prayer **St Dunstan in the West**
1730 Evening Prayer **St Edmund King and Martyr**
1800 Taizé Service **All Hallows by the Tower**
1830 Mass **St Alban the Martyr**
1900 Sung Eucharist **St Andrew Holborn**

Every Thursday

0805 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
0830 Holy Communion **St Bartholomew the Great**
0830 Eucharist **All Hallows by the Tower**
0830 Morning Prayer **St Bride Fleet**
0830 Morning Prayer **St Giles Cripplegate**
1210 Holy Communion **St Botolph Bishopsgate**
1215 Mass **St Vedast alias Foster**
1230 RC Mass **St Bartholomew the Less**
1230 Low Mass **St Magnus the Martyr**
1230 RC Mass **St Andrew by the Wardrobe**
1245 Service: **Wesley's Chapel**
1245 Sung Eucharist **St Stephen Walbrook**
1300 to 1400 Vocality Singing: Lunchtime Choir for everyone
No auditions, no experience needed **St Giles Cripplegate**
1300 Holy Communion (1662 said) **St Sepulchre without Newgate**
1305 Mass **St Mary Aldermary**
1305 Said Eucharist **St Botolph Aldgate**
1305 Eucharist **St Andrew Holborn**
1305 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
1305 Eucharist **St Katharine Cree**
1305 Holy Communion **St Clement Eastcheap**
1310 Mass **St Alban the Martyr**
1310 Bible Talk & Question Time, lunch at 1300 **St Helen Bishopsgate**
1315 Holy Communion (1662) **St Martin Ludgate**
1315 Holy Communion **St Margaret Pattens**
1315 Holy Communion **St Bride Fleet Street**
1315 Holy Communion **Temple Church**
1730 Evening Prayer **All Hallows by the Tower**
1730 Evening Prayer **St Dunstan in the West**
1745 Evening Prayer, followed by Eucharist **St Mary le Bow**
1830 Evening Service **St Andrew by the Wardrobe**
1800 "Focus in Faith - Praying towards Easter" - Eucharist followed by supper and discussion ending at 2030 **St Dunstan in the West**

Every Friday

0645 until 0845 Prayer for the City **St Margaret Lothbury**
0730 Time for prayer and reflection **St Margaret Pattens**
0800 Eucharist **St Mary Woolnoth**
0805 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
0830 Morning Prayer **All Hallows by the Tower**
0830 Holy Communion **St Bride Fleet Street**
1215 Mass **St Vedast alias Foster**
1230 Holy Communion **St Bartholomew the Less**
1230 Eucharist **All Hallows by the Tower**
1230 Low Mass (usually followed by Benediction)
St Magnus the Martyr
1305 Eucharist **St Mary le Bow**
1305 Meditation in the Crypt **St Mary le Bow**
1305 RC Mass **St Mary Moorfields**
1310 Mass **St Alban the Martyr**
1310 Holy Communion (1662 said) **St Michael Cornhill**
1315 Holy Communion (BCP) **St Lawrence Jewry**
1345 Benediction **St Magnus the Martyr**
1730 Evening Prayer **All Hallows by the Tower**
1830 Mass **St Alban the Martyr**

NIGHT PRAYER ON THE INTERNET

Night Prayer is broadcast daily on demand on the Internet site of the Internet Church for London. To watch this service, log on to www.londoninternetchurch.org.uk

SPECIAL SERVICES

Wednesday 3 March

1310 Choral Eucharist St Botolph Bishopsgate

Thursday 4 March

1830 'Holy City: Healing Space' - Join us for the next in our
'Costing Creation' series of services, workshops and encounters
exploring our relationship with money and creation
All Hallows by the Tower

Sunday 7 March – Lent III

1100 Choral Eucharist and "Touching the Rock": Finding God in
human loss: Lindsay Nicholson, Editor (and Editorial Director) of
'Good Housekeeping' St Bride Fleet Street

Tuesday 9 March

1130 Bridewell Service - King Edward's School, Witley – A Service of
Dedication and Thanksgiving St Bride Fleet Street

Thursday 11 March

1210 Holy Communion (BCP) St Botolph Bishopsgate
1315 Healing Service with Holy Communion St Martin Ludgate

Monday 15 March

1245 Praise and Worship: Hosted by KPMG St Bride Fleet Street

Wednesday 17 March

1310 Choral Eucharist St Botolph Bishopsgate

Friday 19 March

1215 St Joseph of Nazareth - Festal Mass St Vedast Alias Foster

Sunday 21 March – Lent V

1100 Choral Eucharist and "Darkness at Noon": Living with the Cross
in daily life: The Revd Canon Robert Wright, Rector of
St Margaret Westminster and Chaplain to the Speaker,
House of Commons St Bride Fleet Street

Thursday 25 March – The Annunciation of Our Lord

1215 Festal Mass St Vedast Alias Foster
1230 Said Eucharist St Dunstan in the West
1305 High Mass - All welcome St Mary le Bow
1310 Choral Eucharist St Botolph Bishopsgate
1900 Sung Mass St Alban the Martyr

Sunday 28 March – Palm Sunday

1045 Outdoor Palm Procession and Solemn Mass
St Alban the Martyr
1050 Choral Eucharist with the Procession of Palms
St Anne & St Agnes
1100 Procession of Palms and Sung Eucharist - beginning in the
garden of St Dunstan in the East, Idol Lane, EC3, from where
we process to All Hallows for the Eucharist
All Hallows by the Tower
1100 Choral Eucharist and Blessing of Palms, and "Outside a City
Wall": Including the outsiders: The Revd George Pitcher,
Religious Affairs Editor, 'The Daily Telegraph' and Associate
priest at St Bride St Bride Fleet Street
1100 Palm Procession, Singing of the Passion, & High Mass
St Magnus the Martyr
1100 Procession of Palms and Sung Eucharist
St Vedast Alias Foster
1445 Stations of the Cross - a meditation on Christ's journey
to Calvary All Hallows by the Tower

Monday 29 March – Monday in Holy Week

1230 Said Eucharist St Dunstan in the West
1310 Sung Eucharist St Botolph Bishopsgate
2000 Tenebrae - A service of music for the season of Lent.
All welcome St Mary le Bow

Tuesday 30 March – Tuesday in Holy Week

1310 Sung Eucharist St Botolph Bishopsgate

Wednesday 31 March – Wednesday in Holy Week

1230 Said Eucharist St Dunstan in the West
1305 Easter Service of Carols and Readings St Martin Ludgate
1310 Sung Eucharist St Botolph Bishopsgate
1900 Tenebrae of Holy Wednesday in both the Byzantine and the
Latin traditions, with a talk between the two services by the
Bishop of London St Dunstan in the West

CONCERTS AND EVENTS

Monday 1 March

1300 Recital: Clelia Irzun (piano) St Lawrence Jewry
1305 A recital to celebrate Chopin's bi-centenary featuring fifteen
of his waltzes: Sarah Leport (piano) St Olave Hart Street
1310 Recital: Hazel Brooks & Oliver Sändig (violins), Mary Pells
(viola da gamba), Martin Knizia (harpsichord)
Buxtehude Sonata Series VII St Anne & St Agnes
1815 for 1845 'Pepys 350' - Pepys and February 1660 with special
guests and live music
Admission £15 (including supper) St Olave Hart Street

Tuesday 2 March

1300 Organ Recital: TOP OF THE FORM - First of three recitals
to be given by top 6th formers in the UK St Lawrence Jewry
1900 Evangelistic Guest event (supper included)
Please contact the church office on 020 7283 2231 for more
information and to book a place St Helen Bishopsgate

Wednesday 3 March

1305 Recital: Sanctuary Ensemble play 'Sanctuary and
Renouncement' - for organ & percussion St Lawrence Jewry
1305 A concert given by singers from the Guildhall School
of Music & Drama St Olave Hart Street
1315 Recital: The River City Saxes Saxophone Quartet: works by
Farkas, Handel, Gade, Gershwin St Dunstan in the West
1315 Recital: Clare Parkholm (cello), Richard Black (piano)
St Martin Ludgate
1900 Evangelistic Guest event (supper included)
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information and to book a place St Helen Bishopsgate

Thursday 4 March

1305 Recital: Natalie Coyle (soprano) St Mary le Bow
1305 A concert given by singers from the Guildhall School
of Music & Drama St Olave Hart Street
1310 Recital: The Idomeneo Quartet St Magnus the Martyr
1310 Organ Recital: 'Bach and his Family' - the first of two recitals by
Richard Townend St Margaret Lothbury
1900 Evangelistic Guest event (supper included)
Please contact the church office on 020 7283 2231 for more
information and to book a place St Helen Bishopsgate

Friday 5 March

1230 Organ Recital: Joseph Sentance St Stephen Walbrook
1310 Recital St Anne & St Agnes

Monday 8 March

1300 Recital: Elena Vorotko (piano) St Lawrence Jewry
1300 Bedales School London Open Day Concert – Free admission,
retiring collection St Sepulchre without Newgate
1305 The Stella Vocal Ensemble, Budapest St Olave Hart Street
1310 Recital: Masayuki Tayama (piano) playing Beethoven's Piano
Sonata in C minor, Op. 13 "Pathétique", and Schumann's Piano
Sonata in G minor, Op. 22 St Anne & St Agnes

Tuesday 9 March

1300 Organ Recital: TOP OF THE FORM - Recital given by top 6th
formers in the UK St Lawrence Jewry
1305 Recital: Sacconi Quartet, featuring Barber's String Quartet
on the very day of the composer's birth 100 years ago
Bishopsgate Institute, Great Hall

Wednesday 10 March

1305 Recital: Calefax Reed Quintet playing early music, renaissance,
baroque, romantic works and jazz St Mary Aldermary
1305 Recital: Arisu Nakao (piano) St Olave Hart Street
1315 Recital: Katie Macrae (soprano), Nia Williams (piano) - works
Rachmaninov, Tchaikovsky & Prokofiev St Dunstan in the West
1315 Recital: Milena Dobrzycka (soprano), Emily Armour (soprano),
Libby Legroux (piano) St Martin Ludgate
1805 In the series of JUSTSHARE LECTURES on Christian,
Social & Political Thought – 'Ageing: burden or blessing?'
to be given by The Revd Canon Dr James Woodward
(Canon Steward at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle)
St Mary le Bow

CONCERTS AND EVENTS - continued

Thursday 11 March

- 1305 Recital: INVERSION - Flute and Organ Duo
Ruth Stockdale (flute), Robert Smith (organ) **St Mary at Hill**
- 1305 Recital: James Johnstone (harpsichord) **St Mary le Bow**
- 1305 Recital: The Oskemon Duo: Evgenia Startseva (piano),
Yuri Paterson-Olenich (piano) **St Olave Hart Street**
- 1310 Recital: The Marsyas Trio **St Magnus the Martyr**
- 1310 Organ Recital: *International Celebrity Series* -
John McGreal - Organist of the Brompton Oratory
St Margaret Lothbury

Friday 12 March

- 1230 Organ Recital: Mark Brafield **St Stephen Walbrook**
- 1310 Recital: Andrew Maginley (baroque lute) playing works by
Les Trois Gaultiers: Ennemond Gaultier, Denis Gaultier and
Jacques Gaultier - **St Anne & St Agnes**

Monday 15 March

- 1300 Recital: Jessica Wei Zu (piano) **St Lawrence Jewry**
- 1310 Recital: The Guildhall Consort (Director - Eamonn Dougan)
Sacred works by Marc-Antoine Charpentier and instrumental
preludes by Sebastian de Brossard **St Anne & St Agnes**

Tuesday 16 March

- 1300 Organ Recital: TOP OF THE FORM - Final Recital given by
top 6th formers in the UK **St Lawrence Jewry**

Wednesday 17 March

- 1305 Recital: The Bardos Band celebrating St Patrick's Day with
The Oak of Two Greens **St Bride Fleet Street**
- 1305 Recital: Henriette Gärtner (piano) **St Olave Hart Street**
- 1315 Recital: Miyuki Kato (piano) **St Dunstan in the West**
- 1315 Recital: Graham Rix (piano) **St Martin Ludgate**

Thursday 18 March

- 1305 Recital: Catherine Leonard (piano) **St Mary le Bow**
- 1305 Recital: The Duo Teresa Carreno: Arturo Serna (cello),
Ana Laura Manero (piano) **St Olave Hart Street**
- 1310 Recital: Recorder Trio **St Magnus the Martyr**
- 1310 Organ Recital: 'Bach and his Family' - the second of two
recitals by Richard Townend **St Margaret Lothbury**

Friday 19 March

- 1230 Organ Recital: Jonathan Hope **St Stephen Walbrook**
- 1310 Recital: "Schumann 200 Year Anniversary Concert"
The Lauriston Ensemble: Anthea Fry (piano),
Rachel Erdos (violin), Caroline Tait (violin), Blai Soler (viola),
Babette Lichenstein (cello) **St Anne & St Agnes**

Monday 22 March

- 1300 Recital: Andrejs Osokins (piano) **St Lawrence Jewry**
- 1310 Recital: Anete Graudina (violin) and Friends
Mendelssohn: Concerto for violin, piano & strings in D minor
St Anne & St Agnes

Tuesday 23 March

- 1300 Organ Recital: Catherine Ennis **St Lawrence Jewry**

Wednesday 24 March

- 1305 Recital: The Branco Stoysin Trio - Branco Stoysin (guitar),
Leslee Booth (bass), Buster Birch (percussion) drawing on
Balkan and Latin jazz styles to create their own lyrical, warm-
hearted fusion sound **St Giles Cripplegate**
- 1305 Recital: The Del Mar Trio: Fran Barritt (violin),
Morwenna del Mar (cello), Susie Summers (piano)
St Olave Hart Street
- 1315 Recital: Masachi Nishiyama (piano) **St Dunstan in the West**
- 1315 Recital: The Dego/Leonardi Duo: Francesca Dego (violin),
Francesca Leonardi (piano) - play 'Danze pour la Signorigna
Olivia' (2008) and 'Effetto Kreuzer' (2007) (both
by N. Campogrande), and César Franck's Sonata in A major
for violin and piano. **St Martin Ludgate**

Thursday 25 March

- 1305 Organ Recital: Robert Smith **St Mary at Hill**
- 1305 Concert by the Guildhall Harps **St Olave Hart Street**

Thursday 25 March - continued

- 1310 Organ Recital: Jonathan Melling **All Hallows by the Tower**
- 1310 Recital: Medieval Music Group **St Magnus the Martyr**
- 1310 Organ Recital: Richard presents another Vintage Collection
St Margaret Lothbury
- 1830 'Wee sing in the City' - an opportunity to sing your heart out with
songs from the world church and the Iona community
All Hallows by the Tower
- 1930 **JAM 10 years on** - for details please see 'box' below
St Bride Fleet Street

Friday 26 March

- 1310 Recital: Medieval Music Group **St Magnus the Martyr**
- 1230 Organ Recital: Geoff Tuson **St Stephen Walbrook**
- 1310 Recital: Gandolpho: Eleanor Harrison (baroque violin)
David Wright (harpsichord) works by Corelli, Biber, Babell
and Handel **St Anne & St Agnes**

Monday 29 March

- 1300 Recital: Theodor Ioasifidis (piano) **St Lawrence Jewry**
- 1310 Organ Recital: John Peacham - Organ Music for Lent
by Bach, Rheinberger, Brahms, Reger, Mendelssohn and
Heinermann **St Anne & St Agnes**
- 1930 Barts Academic Festival Choir and Orchestra
The St John Passion by J S Bach Tickets at the door
The Great Hall, St Bartholomew's Hospital

Tuesday 30 March

- 1300 Organ Recital: Catherine Ennis **St Lawrence Jewry**
- 1305 Recital: The Fidelio Trio, play works by Mozart, Ravel and
Hans Werner Henze **Bishopsgate Institute, Great Hall**
- 1310 Recital: Alison Crum & Mary Pells (viola da gamba),
Martin Knizia (organ) featuring works by Finger, Lawes,
Jenkins and Gorton **St Anne & St Agnes**

Wednesday 31 March

- 1305 Concert by Les Melomanes: Alexandra Kloss (recorder),
Stephen Pedder (violin), Kathleen Ross (cello),
Ran Orenstein (harpsichord) **St Olave Hart Street**
- 1310 Recital: City of London Sinfonia, Director Joseph Cullen,
with Hilary Summers (contralto), featuring works by
Berkeley, Holst and J S Bach **St Andrew Holborn**
- 1310 Recital: Arborea Musica: Gerry McDonald (traverso, oboe,
chalumeau), Debby England (oboe), Maggie Bruce
(bassoon), Martin Knizia (harpsichord) playing works by Vivaldi,
Fasch and Hasse **St Anne & St Agnes**

JAM - 10 years on

JAM celebrates its 10th Anniversary with a series of concerts
with the BBC Singers, the first of which will take place at

**St Bride Fleet Street
on Thursday 25 March at 7.30pm**

The Concert Programme will reflect JAM's pioneering policy of featuring
specially commissioned works from the UK's most important living
composers including a premiere from Tarik O'Regan plus works from
Jonathan Dove and Tim Jackson.

The works will be performed by
BBC Singers, Onyx Brass, Stephen Disley (organ)
Claire Seaton (soprano), Iestyn Morris (countertenor),
Richard Edgar-Wilson (tenor) and Giles Underwood (bass)
The conductor will be Nicholas Cleobury

Tickets £5 - £15

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