



Rochdale Parish Churches  
of St Chad and St Mary in the Baum



HE IS RISEN  
*alleluia*

**NEWS**

*(Please take one and pass it on)*

Easter Day  
9 APRIL  
2023



Sunday  
9 April 2022  
Easter Day



Please continue  
to pray for Ukraine

*Thank you for joining us  
for worship today.  
You are welcome to stay  
for refreshments  
after the service.*



If you would like us to pray for  
someone who is ill or who has died,  
please add their name to the list  
located on the desk  
or speak to one of the clergy.



PLEASE ENSURE YOUR PHONE IS  
**\*OFF\***  
DURING THE SERVICE



*Thank You*

## **An Easter Reflection...**

On Easter Sunday eggs will be dyed and copious amounts of chocolate will be consumed. But, Easter Sunday, as it's known in Christianity, is actually considered the *most* important and sacred Sunday of the entire year. It marks the anniversary of Jesus' resurrection and ascension to heaven, and observing this holiday can teach Christians a lot more about faith than bunnies.

Every Christian celebrates the most important date in their calendar. Easter is a celebration of life, joy, and promises for the future - but these themes of Easter are not the purpose of Easter, but merely tied up in the messaging.

Easter arrives at the end of Holy Week and right after Good Friday, which commemorates Jesus' crucifixion and death. Where Good Friday is essentially a day of mourning, Easter celebrates Jesus' evasion of death.

It's not uncommon for Christians to greet each other by saying "Christ has risen" in the same way they'd say "Merry Christmas."

This greeting doesn't just acknowledge the belief that Jesus rose from his grave, it's also used as a confirmation of faith. The Bible states that if Jesus hadn't risen, Christian preaching and faith would have been "in vain" or even "empty".

In other words, the belief that Christians have in Jesus' divinity, rooted in the moment of his resurrection.

Without that part of the Easter story, Jesus simply dies and that's it. The Bible states, Jesus' death was a sacrifice for the sins of others, but his resurrection represents something even more powerful: the potential for eternal life and renewal of faith.

That's why Easter celebrations are preceded by Lent (a time of abstinence and penance), the Easter Vigil (when new believers are baptised) and, sometimes, the sacrament of confession.

After a season of shedding bad habits and resisting temptations, Easter is the perfect opportunity for Christians to recommit to their beliefs.

So, despite the pastel-coloured decorations and kids' games, Easter is a pretty serious holiday at its core. It celebrates Christians' belief in the divine power of Jesus and the hope that loss leads to something new. This doesn't mean it's all gloom and doom, but Easter definitely calls for some solemn reflection among observant Christians. Luckily, many are able to make time for church services *and* an Easter egg hunt.

*Fr. Darren Quinlan*

➤ **APRIL**

- Sunday 9** Easter Day
- Monday 10** Monday of Easter Week
- Thursday 13** Morning Service at St Chad's 10 am  
Place of Welcome at St Chad's 10.30 am
- Sunday 16** APCM at St Chad's 12.30 pm
- Thursday 20** Morning Service at St Chad's 10 am  
Place of Welcome at St Chad's 10.30 am

**FRIDAY 21 APRIL**

Rochdale Parish Church presents... **An Evening with JOHN HOLDER**  
*Fast Bowler & Test Match Umpire*  
7 pm at Rochdale Masonic Hall

- Thursday 27** Morning Service at St Chad's 10 am  
Place of Welcome at St Chad's 10.30 am

➤ **MAY**

- Wednesday 3** Joint Standing Committee 7 pm
- Thursday 4** Morning Service at St Chad's 10 am  
Place of Welcome at St Chad's 10.30 am
- Friday 5** **Pre-Coronation Service** at St Chad's 6.30 - 7.30 pm
- Sunday 7** Bring and Share Lunch at St Chad's after morning service
- Tue 10** PCC, St Mary in the Baum 5 pm
- Thursday 11** Morning Service at St Chad's 10 am  
Place of Welcome at St Chad's 10.30 am
- Sunday 14** Mission Community Breathe Service  
at St Michael's Bamford 7.30 pm
- Tuesday 16** St Chad's PCC at 7 pm
- Wednesday 17** St Mary in the Baum PCC at 5 pm
- Thursday 18** **ASCENSION DAY** - Holy Communion at St Chad's 10 am
- Saturday 20** **SINGING DAY** at St Chad's - Coronation "Come and Sing"  
Workshops 9.30 am - 3.00 pm :: Performance 3.30 pm
- Thursday 25** Morning Service at St Chad's 10 am  
Place of Welcome at St Chad's 10.30 am
- Sunday 28** **PENTECOST - Whit Sunday**

St Chad's Altar Guild  
would like to thank everyone  
who has donated  
towards the cost of  
the Easter Lilies.



**Contactless Payments  
for donations will be available  
soon... more info to follow!**



**place of welcome  
coffee. cake. community.**



**Thursdays  
10.30 am - 12 noon  
at  
St Chad's Church Rochdale**



**for further info contact:  
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**Mid-week service  
at St Chad's  
on Thursdays  
at 10.00 am**



**Weeks 1, 4 and 5\*  
Morning Prayer**

**Week 2 and 3  
Holy Communion\*\***



*\* months with a 5th*

*Thursday*

*\*\* for those who wish to receive  
the sacrament in the week*



Rochdale Parish Church Presents

An Evening With

# JOHN HOLDER

Fast Bowler and Test Match Umpire

A first class umpire for 27 years, he officiated in 11 Tests and 23 one-day internationals

*Join us for a fascinating insight into an extraordinary career*



21st April 2023 7pm



Rochdale Masonic Hall



To book tickets ask in church or email [stchadsrochdale@outlook.com](mailto:stchadsrochdale@outlook.com)

**Tickets £35**  
Includes a 3 course meal

Raffle,  
Auction and Stand  
Up Bingo on the night



## MUSIC AT ST MARY IN THE BAUM

### TOAD LANE CONCERTS

Rochdale's Weekly Music at Lunchtime on Wednesdays  
at St Mary in the Baum

Doors open at 12 noon ♦ Concert 12.30 - 1.30 pm ♦ Entry fee: £6

♦ APRIL 13 ♦

Camilla Seale *Mezzo soprano* (Cambridge, LSE & RNCM)  
accompanied by Evi Wang *piano* (China, Sweden, Norway & RNCM)



♦ Thank you for your support ♦

Contact Dr Joe Dawson **01706 648872** for more info

## MUSIC ON SATURDAYS AT ST CHAD'S

### “Come and Sing” - Saturday 20 May

Workshops 9.30 am - 3.00 pm Performance - 3.30 pm

#### Music for a Royal Coronation



Vivaldi Gloria in D  
G.F.Handel ‘Zadok the Priest’  
led by Philip O'Connor (*Director*)  
with Philip Lowe (*Organ*)



**Full Day - £10 per person**  
*Singers: please bring a packed lunch*  
**Performance - £5** *Pay on the door*

For further information, advance tickets, or to book your place for Singing Day:  
email: [j.midgley882@btinternet.com](mailto:j.midgley882@btinternet.com) phone: 01706 639162

**Saturday 24 June at 12 noon**

**DUNCAN GLENDAY** (*Pianoforte*)  
[RNCM & University of Manchester]

“A Postcard from Europe”  
and Schubert Sonata in Bb

Admission £6 (pay on the door)  
*including refreshments available from 11.20 pm*



**Saturday 22 July at 3.00 pm**

**SCOTT BROTHERS DUO**

*A Concert of Piano Duets*

**TICKETS £10 (PAY ON THE DOOR)**

*Refreshments available  
before the concert from 2.20 pm*

## SERVICES OF WORSHIP

### ♦ Sundays

#### ST MARY IN THE BAUM

9.15 am

Week 1 - BCP Communion

Week 2 - Eucharist

Weeks 3, 4 and 5\*

Common Worship Communion

*\* where there is a 5th Sunday in a month*

#### ST CHAD'S

11.15 am

Choral Eucharist

*Matins on 2nd Sunday of month*

1.00 - 2.30 pm

Asian Fellowship

### ♦ Thursdays

#### ST CHAD'S

from 3 November at 10.00 am

Weeks 1, 4 and 5\* Morning Prayer

Week 2 and 3 Holy Communion\*\*

*\* months with a 5th Thursday*

*\*\* for those who wish to receive  
the sacrament in the week*



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*To book a Wedding or Baptism/Christening  
at St Chad's or St Mary in the Baum,  
please come along to church  
on Sunday morning  
or phone the vicar to make arrangements.*

