

What does Easter mean

A little bit like Christmas, Easter seems to be losing its real meaning...

For most it's getting a chocolate egg... it's not the gift of "new life" we see in an egg – it's more about the CHOCOLATE. The need to smash it and then eat it. At this time of year, we can relate a lot of things to new life and new beginnings.

Spring is busy doing its thing. Trees that appeared to be dead through the winter with no leaves, are starting to burst into blossom and leaf. Bulbs that were buried and forgotten about, are now putting in an appearance with abundant life, showing off their beauty.

New car registrations are out. Is it time to change? Is the old one starting to cost more in repairs? Is it time for something better... more economical... more space... better suited to requirements? Easter is more... so much more than any of these things – it can be summarised in the following hymn...

*When I surveyed the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died*

*My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it Lord that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God
All the vain things that charm me most
I sacrifice them through His blood.*

*See from His head, His hands,
His feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown.*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were a present far too small
Love so amazing so divine
Demands my soul my life my all.*

What does Easter mean to you?
Could this Easter change the way you are?
Try something new that God is longing for you to do or change the way that you live your life to the life that God wants you to live.

Wishing you all a Happy and Blessed Easter.

Chris Trew—
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What's On—April 2026

Maundy Thursday 2nd

Passover Supper at St John's
7pm

Good Friday 3rd

MBC Café—open to all
10am—12pm

10.50am Walk of witness—Rest
Stop

11.15am Reflection

Easter Sunday 5th

10.30am Morning Service
Mark Buckley

Sunday 12th

10.30am Morning Service
With Andy Godfrey
Followed by Fellowship lunch

Monday 13th

MBC Café—open to all
10.30am—12pm

Thursday 16th

Leadership team meeting
7.30pm

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LT Meeting
7.30pm

Friday 17th

MBC Café—open to all
10am—12pm

Sunday 19th

10.30am All Age service
With Mike Palin

Monday 20th

MBC Café—open to all
10.30am—12pm

Friday 24th

Jack & Jill's baby & toddler
10am—11.30am

Sunday 26th

10.30am Morning service
With Danny Smith
Followed by Members AGM

Monday 27th

MBC Café—open to all
10.30am—12pm

Wednesday 29th

Faith, Family & Fellowship
19 Bartholomew Green 7.30pm—

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