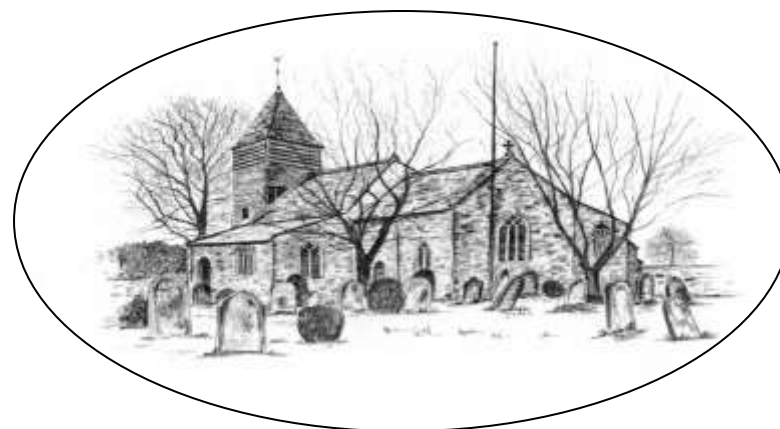


EASINGWOLD with RASKELF PARISH NEWS



St John the Baptist & All Saints, Easingwold



St Mary the Virgin, Raskelf

March 2013

20p



BIBLE READINGS—MARCH

3rd	10.30am	Isaiah	Ch.55	Vv. 1-9	LENT 3
		1 Corinthians	Ch.10	Vv. 1-13	
		Luke	Ch.13	Vv. 1-9	
6.30pm		Genesis	Ch.28	Vv.10-9a	
		John	Ch.1	Vv.35-51	
10th	10.30am	FAMILY SERVICE t.b.a.			MOTHERING SUNDAY
	6.30pm	2 Timothy	Ch.4	Vv. 1-18	
		John	Ch.11	Vv.17-44	
17th	10.30am	Isaiah	Ch.43	Vv.16-21	LENT 5
		Philippians	Ch.3	Vv.4b-14	
		John	Ch.12	Vv. 1-8	
	6.30pm	2 Chronicles	Ch.35	Vv.1-6,10-16	
		Luke	Ch.22	Vv. 1-13	
24th	10.30am	Luke	Ch.19	Vv.28-40	PALM SUNDAY
		Philippians	Ch.2	Vv. 5-11	
		Gospel for 3 voices			
		NO EVENSONG; Ecumenical Service			
28th	7.30pm	1 Corinthians	Ch.11	Vv.21-26	MAUNDY THURSDAY
		John	Ch.13	Vv.1-17,31b-35	
31st	10.30am	Acts	Ch.10	Vv.34-43	EASTER DAY
		1 Corinthians	Ch.15	Vv.19-26	
		John	Ch.20	Vv. 1-18	
	6.30pm	1 Corinthians	Ch.15	Vv. 1-11	
		John	Ch.20	Vv.19-23	

The Keeping of a Holy Lent

On Ash Wednesday, at the beginning of lent, the priest says these words. *I invite you, in the name of the church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy word.*



Of course many of these are things we should be doing all the time. Every time we pray, we put ourselves into the presence of God and ask him to be with us as we look at ourselves and what we have done. Every time we read or hear the Bible, we ask ourselves what it means for us. Every time we have to make any sort of decision, we can be faced with issues of how we use what God has given to us.

But Lent is special. It's a time when we should make a special effort to do these things, perhaps putting aside extra time for them, perhaps choosing to do something different or read something new.

And the purpose of all this is clear. Again from the invitation to Lent *by careful keeping of these days, Christians take to heart the call to repentance and the assurance of forgiveness proclaimed in the Gospel, and so grow in faith and devotion to our Lord.*

May that be our intention this Lent.

John Harrison

RASKELF CHURCH
One of our favourite events returns.....
PATE and PUD
at Low Farm, Tholthorpe
 (home of Kenneth & Anne Myers)
Saturday March 2nd
 12 noon—2.00pm
 Tickets £10: to reserve please ring 01347-838233

From the Registers

Funerals	
23 rd Jan	Gwen Shepley
24 th Jan	Joyce Curry
15 th Feb	Harry Smith

ST MARY'S CHURCH, RASKELF
WEDNESDAY MARCH 6th
 LITE BITE LUNCH, Old Black Bull, Raskelf 12 noon
SUNDAYS MARCH 3rd & 17th
 COMMUNION 9.10am
SUNDAY MARCH 10th (Mothering Sunday)
 FAMILY SERVICE at 10.30am

LENT LUNCHES 2013


- Home made soup, roll & tea/coffee in return for a donation
- Lunches are all from 12 noon—1.30pm
- In aid *Christian Aid & Cafod*. On March 1st part way through, there will be a talk on *Christian Aid* & its work

Date	Hosts	Location
March 1st	Methodist Catering Group	Methodist Church Rooms
March 8th	Raskelf Church	Parish Rooms, Tanpit Lane
March 15th	Catholic Church	Catholic Hall, Long Street
March 22nd	Easingwold & Raskelf MU	Parish Rooms



British Summer Time (BST)
 starts at 1.00am on Easter Sunday March 31st when
 the clocks go forward one hour. Evensong is still at
 6.30pm today.

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is at the heart of what the church is about and the prayer  **corner in St John's continues to be used regularly. Please write the names of people you would like to be remembered in the book there. We also have a prayer chain, where a number of people pray for those in special need. If you would like to join the chain, know more about it or have someone you want to be prayed for, please contact the Vicar or Chris Peel. Please include in your prayers this month:**

1. All who live within the area bounded by Uppleby, Spring Street, Back Lane and Crabmill Lane.
2. All who use the cricket ground, tennis courts, bowling green and Memorial Park.
3. Those who work at or visit the Paradise and Alzheimer Day Centres and the Health Centre.
4. Those in Raskelf who live in Westmoor Lane and the associated roads.

Holy Week is a very special time in the church's year, when we accompany Christ on the seven



days leading up to the Crucifixion and Resurrection. On Palm Sunday we hear the Passion Gospel. Daily Eucharists lead up to the celebration of the Last Supper on Thursday and the commemoration of the cross on Good Friday. We begin the celebration of Easter with the Vigil and first Communion on Easter Eve at 8pm, when the new Easter candle is lit, leading us on to the celebrations of Easter Day itself. *Details of services in the Calendar on page 5*

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP

Bible reading notes are a good way to get started on reading the Bible. With only a short passage to read each day you do not need to put aside a lot of time and the commentaries will help you to understand the passage and apply it to your own life. BRF publishes three different series, for more details please contact Mrs Joan Green on 01347-821389

Easingwold Parish Church

JOHN STEINER'S "CRUXIFICION"

will be sing during the evening service on Palm Sunday March 24th at 6.30pm by a Deanery Ecumenical Choir

All singers are welcome to the rehearsals at the Parish Church on Fridays March 15th & 22nd starting at 7.30pm until 9.15pm and also on Palm Sunday afternoon at 2.30pm.

York St John University Saturday March 16th *TASTE and SEE*

Revd Sue Nightingale (formerly vicar of Sutton-On-Forest & owner of **the Quiet Garden**) says "this day of bite-sized spirituality is time for reflection on personal expressions of faith. Through work-shops, and being with like-minded, people Taste and See will nourish your relationship with God—**providing food for life's journey**"

Book your place (£15) www.coreyork.org/tasteandsee/BookingForm.pdf

- Lent Lunches... the first has taken place and the rest are listed on page 3
- Churches Spring Clean....**time for our annual major spring cleaning with the high work being done in the evening and the rest the following day.** At Easingwold the dates are Thursday/Friday March 21st & 22nd and at Raskelf on Friday/Saturday March 22nd & 23rd. Please come along and help.
- Oasis and Fairtrade..Friday mornings in the Methodist church and the next one is on March 22nd (March 29th is Good Friday) followed by April 26th
- Water Aid... **we are supporting this during Lent. Please return your "Jars of Change" as soon as possibl after Easter.**
- **Mothers' Union Coffee Morning...**on Feruary 16th raised £xxxxx for MU funds and projects. Thanks to all concerned.
- **Women's World Day of Prayer...**is at the Roman Catholic Church on Friday March 1st. The service this year has been prepared by the women of **France with the title "I was a stranger and you welcomed me".** and the preacher is the Revd Elizabeth Cushion. This is a world wide movement of Christian women from many traditions who welcome all who observe a common day of prayer every year.
- **Childrens' Society...**boxes have been collected raising £444. An additional £333 was raised at the Christingle Service and £419 at the Spring Lunch—making a grand total of £1216. *Home and Away* have also raised in the last year £506 for Christian Aid (ex Lent Lunches), £267 for Water Aid, **£262 for the Tear Fund's East African Support, £262 for Save the Children** and £25 for Carecent.
- Freewill Offering...March is the time for preparing the issue of Freewill Offering envelopes. Anyone who does not have these packs and would like to use them, should please contact Mary Galloway (821714) or Alfred Bodison (821668) as soon as possible. These cover contributors who are tax payers and non-taxpayers. Please make use of this facility that avoids hav-

SERVICES AND EVENTS

MARCH 2013

ENQUIRIES about baptisms, weddings, etc. -please ring the Vicar or call at the Vicarage.

Sunday School meets during the 10.30am service in Easingwold church



Fri	1 st	12noon	Lent Lunch <i>Methodist Church</i>
		2.15pm	Women's World Day of Prayer <i>RC Church</i>
Sat	2 nd	12noon	Pate and Pud <i>Low Farm Throlthorpe</i>

SUN 3rd LENT 3

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		9.10am	Holy Communion at Raskelf
		10.30am	PARI SH EUCHARI ST
		3.30pm	Evensong
Mon	4 th	10.30am	PCC Standing Committee
		7.30pm	Lent Talk -3 <i>followed by Compline:</i>
Wed	6 th	9.00am	Communion
		10.00am	Communion at Park Close
		12noon	Raskelf Lunch <i>at the Old Black Bull</i>
Fri	8 th	12noon	Lent Lunch <i>RC Church Hall</i>

SUN 10th MOTHERING SUNDAY

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		10.30am	FAMILY SERVICE
		10.30am	FAMILY SERVICE <i>at Raskelf</i>
		3.30pm	Evensong
Mon	11 th	7.30pm	Lent Talk -4 <i>followed by Compline:</i>
Wed	13 th	9.00am	Communion
		7.30pm	Mothers' Union <i>Parish Rooms</i> AGM and Georgina Bingham talks about food recycling
Fri	15 th	12noon	Lent Lunch <i>RC Church Hall</i>
Sat	16 th	1.00pm	Wedding

SUN 17th PASSION SUNDAY

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		9.10am	Holy Communion at Raskelf
		10.30am	PARI SH EUCHARI ST
		3.30pm	Evensong
Mon	18 th	7.30pm	Lent Talk -5 <i>followed by Compline:</i>
Wed	20 th	9.00am	Communion
		7.30pm	PCC <i>Parish Rooms</i>
Thur/Fri	21 st -22 nd		Easingwold Church Clean
Fri	22 nd	12noon	Lent Lunch <i>Parish Rooms</i>
Fri/Sat	22 nd -23 rd		Raskelf Church Clean

SUN 24th PALM SUNDAY

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		10.30am	PALM SUNDAY EUCHARI ST
		6.30pm	Stainer's Crucifixion (rehearsal from 2.30pm) <i>at Parish Church</i>
Mon	25 th	7.30pm	Eucharist <i>Monday in Holy Week</i>
Tues	26 th	7.30pm	Eucharist <i>Tuesday in Holy Week</i>
Wed	27 th	9.00am	Communion <i>Wednesday in Holy Week</i>
		7.30pm	Eucharist

THUR 28th MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm SUNG EUCHARI ST

FRI 29th GOOD FRIDAY

12noon United Service at the Cross *in the Market Place*

2.00pm Good Friday LI TURGY

SAT 30th EASTER EVE

9.30am Preparing Easter Flowers in church

8.00pm VIGIL and FIRST COMMUNION of Easter

SUN 31st EASTER DAY *clocks go forward*

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Easter Communion *at Raskelf*

10.30am EASTER EUCHARI ST

6.30pm Evensong