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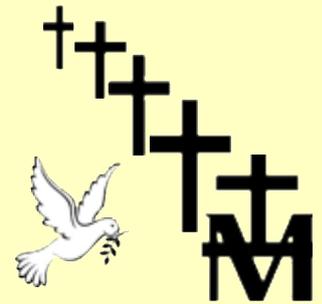




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From the Vicar ...



**"Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—
is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us."**

Romans 8:34

Jesus Christ intercedes for us

Even after all of His suffering on the cross on our behalf, He still intercedes for us. He does not give up on us even if at times we give up or fail Him.

Easter is a time of hope. When things go wrong in our lives, Easter is a reminder that everyone suffers, including God. God understands what we are going through. Jesus, God incarnate here on earth, can relate to our sorrow and distress.

If we think of the human side of Christ, we find that He was born into difficult circumstances, He was a refugee, He wept at the death of His friend, He was mocked, scorned and He was put to death. He went through a variety of experiences and emotions that are reflected in our lives. We may not have been refugees ourselves but we all know what it is like to lose someone we love.

His divine nature became most evident at the resurrection. He had already performed many miracles starting with turning water into wine, healing many people and then raising Lazarus from the dead. It was obvious that He was someone special even to those who didn't believe that He was the Son of God. He was so special that He was seen as a threat to the authorities and so was condemned to die.

It was His human nature that we can relate most to. We can never really understand His divine nature, no matter how hard we try. It is His divine nature that we appeal to for help. When things are beyond human control then we have no alternative but to seek divine help through the death and resurrection of Christ, we know that He intercedes for us.

At Easter we celebrate the Risen Christ and the hope that this message brings. This year it feels that we are all in need of having hope in our lives. Thankfully if we look around us, we can see God's work through nature; there are the trees that are beginning to show their leaves and flowers that are beginning to grow in the gardens. They are reminders that, after the cold bleak times of winter, spring will follow.

Christ died on the cross for us and rose from the dead, an act that is divine, and this same Christ is there to intercede for us when we go through our bleak times. We have a Christ who understands our human frailty and cares for us. This Easter is a time to remember what He did for us on the cross and to celebrate His divine nature that He rose again giving us the hope of salvation.

Every blessing for April

Margaret

THE REV'D CHARLOTTE CRANFIELD

After a series of interviews, we are delighted to announce that Lottie has been recommended to be ordained Priest.

Her ordination will take place on Saturday 3rd July 2021 at 9.00am.

At the time of writing, we do not know what restrictions will be imposed upon us at that time but we are hoping that as many of you as possible will be there to share in her special day.

Lottie will be remaining in the Parish of Easingwold with Raskelf to continue her work.

Congratulations Lottie



Mothers' Union

WAVE OF PRAYER

30th April - 2nd May



Members of York Diocese join with members worldwide in prayer throughout the year. We are linked with other dioceses in the following countries: Democratic Republic of Congo, Uganda, Nigeria, Ghana, Guyana and Suriname.

Once a year we join together during the period above and light a candle for each diocese and hear of their activities during the year. This year as last year we carry this out in our own homes.

A copy of the service will be distributed to members.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



Margaret led the annual service on 5th March on Zoom. Usually when we attend the service we give a donation to the work of this organisation which is distributed to many different charities supporting women and their families.

If you would like to give a donation by cheque, payment is made to WDP and the address is:

World Day of Prayer,
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Their website is www.wwdp.org.uk

Never let the things you want make you forget the things you have. (Sanchita Pandey)

ZOOM SERVICES AND HOW WE DO IT

It is nearly a year since we started using Zoom to provide online church services for people in Easingwold, Raskelf and beyond. But how do we manage to do it from the church when we have no landline telephone broadband provision in the building?

If you are very eagle eyed at a Sunday morning Zoom service, when the camera is on Margaret celebrating the Eucharist, you may spot two little black aerials just visible on the East Window ledge behind the alter. This little device is called a '4g broadband router' which uses the EE mobile phone network via the telecommunications mast on the Oulston Road to connect us to the internet. It provides a very good WiFi signal in the church to which we connect a number of laptops, tablets and mobile phones for the video and audio that you see and hear.

For the video we have up to five cameras positioned in church which we can switch onto a particular view (called 'spotlighting') whether it be someone reading a lesson from the Lectern or the celebrant at the Altar. Also, we can switch cameras to someone at home e.g. leading the intercessions.



The audio in church is facilitated by one mobile phone (you may have noticed one Zoom participant named 'Church Microphone') which is connected by cable directly into the church PA system so that anyone speaking from home can be heard by the few of us in church and it allows everyone at home to hear the organ, singing and speaking in church using the normal radio microphones.

Zoom, particularly the audio, is not a perfect solution and it doesn't suit all but for a relatively modest cost it has allowed us to bind our church together in extremely difficult times in a way that would have seemed impossible to contemplate just a year ago. We regularly have around 70 people joining us each Sunday including a few from as far afield as Surrey, Hampshire, Worcestershire and several parts of North Yorkshire.

In addition to regular services, it has allowed PCC and other meetings to continue and even a wedding and a funeral. As, hopefully, we move out of the pandemic towards some form of normality we can reflect on how our church has survived and consider whether Zoom or similar technologies could be embraced for other forms of ministry in the future, especially for those who find it difficult to attend church in person.

FOR YOUR DIARY!

'KNITTED BIBLE' SHOW!

A display of over 30 tableaux illustrating popular Bible stories is coming to Easingwold Parish Church from 2 – 7 July 2021!

These comprise knitted characters: Moses, Noah, Jacob etc in appropriate surroundings (similar to our Nativity scenario).



Photo courtesy of Hartlepool URC

The show will be open to the public and for organised school trips.

If you could spare a little time to help out as a steward this would be much appreciated!

More details nearer the time!



A huge **THANK YOU** to all who so kindly donated to the recent appeal from the Children's Society.

The Parish raised a magnificent **£750** to help children in difficult circumstances in these challenging times.

Ian Peel 01347 823548

Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box Appeal 2020

I have recently heard from our organiser that the boxes have all been delivered. From our area the boxes went to Central Asia and to Eastern Europe. 6500+ were sent from our collection area and 10 million were sent globally – a huge achievement especially in the circumstances. I have had confirmation that ours were some of 75,463 sent to Central Asia.



The shoe boxes are helping to build goodwill between peoples of different faiths. However, whilst political and religious sensitivities continue within Central Asia we cannot be told the individual countries.



If you would like to see some pictures of children receiving boxes, and hear some stories, do let me know as Samaritan's Purse has sent me some. Also if you are thinking you would like to help with the organisation here in Easingwold this year I would love to hear from you.

Deacon Chris Peel 01347 823548

SERVICES AND EVENTS: APRIL 2021

To contact Revd Margaret Young, tel: 01347 821394

or email: vicar@easingwoldraskelfanglican.org

The Vicar's day off is Monday

Children are welcome at all our services



PLEASE SEE NOTICE ON FOLLOWING PAGE
REGARDING CHURCH CLOSURE
AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR EASTER SERVICES

Morning services at Easingwold
(Sunday and Wednesday 9am)
suspended until further notice

**The normal Sunday 10.30 am service will continue using Zoom
direct from St John the Baptist & All Saints Church**

*If you wish to join the service and are not receiving the invite links, then please get in
contact with Margaret by email (margareteyoung@btopenworld.com).*

1st and 3rd Sunday Evening Prayer at 4.00pm
suspended until further notice

Monthly services at Raskelf
suspended until further notice

PRIVATE PRAYER at Easingwold suspended until further notice

The **FAMILY SERVICE** will be held via Zoom and Messenger on
SUNDAY 11th APRIL at 4.30pm

and you are also welcome to join the group via Zoom for
MORNING PRAYER each TUESDAY

IGNITE GROUP FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN
FRIDAY AFTERNOONS AT 4pm

The **IGNITE GROUP** will meet by Zoom
(Contact Margaret for further details)

CHURCH CLOSURE

Regrettably, for the safety and well-being of all concerned, on-site church services were recently suspended following the latest guidelines surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic. The Sunday morning service at 10.30 has continued and will continue on Zoom for the time being.



However, the **church will be open** for services on Good Friday and Easter Sunday with the same restrictions as previous; i.e. there will be no hymn books available, numbers attending will be restricted and only certain pews will be available for seating.

GOOD FRIDAY 2.00PM "THE FINAL HOUR"

Following this service, the church will remain open for quiet prayer between 3.00pm and 6.00pm.

There will be displays of items that have sent of what has inspired people in their faith during the past twelve months. Thank you for all of your contributions.



EASTER SUNDAY AT EASINGWOLD

9.00am Eucharist Service
with the bringing in of The Light

10.30am Family Eucharist

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE AT RASKELF AT 4PM

SERVICE ON LINE

Those of us who are able to access the Sunday service on line, either by Zoom or through the website, are so grateful to Margaret and Tim for making it available, and would like to say a huge **"Thank you"** to them both.

However, there are those in our community who don't have this access and the current situation is likely to continue for some time. Do you know someone near you, or perhaps a friend, who would really appreciate being given the readings and Margaret's sermon each week?

By going onto the website – easingwoldraskelfanglican.org – on a Sunday, and looking at the middle of the page, you will find the service. Scroll down, print off the relevant readings and sermon and hand it on. If you don't have time on Sunday it is there during the week.

Deacon Chris Peel

Visit our website at <https://easingwoldraskelfanglican.org/> where you can find an abundance of information about our church, including issues of the Parish Magazine dating back to 2013.

You can also view notices and news on the Facebook page:

[Easingwold with Raskelf Anglican Churches](#)

Readings

As the church is once again closed, there will be no evening prayer on 1st and 3rd Sundays but relevant readings for all Sundays are provided for your reference

2nd April

Psalm 22

John 18:1-19, 30

John 19:40-42

Good Friday

4th April

Acts 10:34-43

Mark 16:1-8

Easter Sunday

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Luke 24:13-35

11th April

Acts 4:32-35

1 John 1:1-2

John 20:19-31

Easter 2

Isaiah 26:1-9,19

Luke 24:1-12

18th April

Acts 3:12-19

1 John 3:1-7

Luke 24:36b-48

Easter 3

Deuteronomy 7:7-13

Revelation 2:1-11

25th April

Acts 4:5-12

1 John 3:16-end

John 10:11-18

Easter 4

Exodus 16:1-15

Revelation 2:12-17



From the Registers

Funeral

15th March—Christine Leach

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Forthcoming dates for your diaries:

14th & 28th April

12th & 26th May

16th & 30th June

14th July



ST MARY'S CHURCH, RASKELF

In accordance with the current restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the church continues to be closed for ordinary services until further notice with services from Easingwold continuing on Zoom.

Please contact Margaret to receive the invite links for access to the Zoomed services.



However, there will be a service held in St Mary's Church on

Easter Sunday at 4pm

with the same restrictions as previous; i.e. there will be no hymn books available, and numbers attending will be restricted with only certain pews available for seating.

(This service will not be Zoomed)

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP NOTES

We are all encouraged to read the Bible to help us in our spiritual journey. Where do we start? It is quite daunting. This is where the Bible Reading Fellowship Notes can help us. 'New Daylight' is a daily reading of a short section from the Bible with an explanation of the reading. This helps the reader to understand it, and it makes life easier for us because we don't have to find the passage in the Bible ourselves.

Please contact Gina Smith, either in Church (when it reopens) or by phone (01347 823843). She can show you examples, and, if you decide you would like to try it, she will order it for you and deliver it. It only costs £14.25 a year for 365 daily readings – less than 5p a day.

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is at the heart of what the church offers to the community. At St John the Baptist and All Saints', we join with you in your prayers for family, friends and all whom you care for. There is currently no access to the church to visit the prayer corner to write down the names of those you are concerned for. If you would like prayers for yourself or another, or for those who, at this time, are struggling with anxiety, loneliness and isolation, our small, confidential and dedicated circle of people will pray for you. If you would like prayer, please contact Reverend Lottie Cranfield 07807 941528



Please include in your prayers this month:

- ♦ All who live and work within the area bounded by Chapel Street, Crabmill Lane and Long Street
- ♦ St Monica's Hospital – all staff, patients and volunteers; the physiotherapy department
- ♦ The Methodist Church, its worship and outreach; all those who use the facilities there including the daily Playgroup
- ♦ Those who live in North End, Raskelf, and those who work at, and frequent, the Old Black Bull

ELECTORAL ROLL

Every parish in the Church of England is required to maintain an Electoral Roll (ER) which is a list of those lay persons who are entitled to vote in elections (for example in the election of Churchwardens and the PCC).

It is updated annually, and to maintain currency a complete new Electoral Roll is compiled every six years. A new ER was completed accordingly in 2019, and updated copies are displayed on the notice-boards of both churches.

Thus, if you wish to exercise your vote at the forthcoming Annual Parochial Church Meeting and are uncertain whether or not you are currently included on the ER, please check, either once the churches are again opened to the public, or by contacting me at 11 Whiteoak Avenue, or 'phone me on 01347 823548, and I will be pleased to provide an application form as necessary.

Many thanks,
Ian Peel

Pray and challenge Bishop's response to death of York-born Sarah Everard



The Bishop of Selby, the Rt Revd Dr John Thomson, has spoken about the death of York-born Sarah Everard and public response to it.

"Like many others I have been shocked by the terrible news of Sarah Everard's death.

"Sarah grew up and went to school in York and so her family and many of her friends are local people.

"I would ask everyone to pray for Sarah's family, and to challenge gender-based violence in our society and the damaging climate of fear which limits women's freedom of choice and personal safety."

**Merciful God,
hear the cries of our grief,
for you know the anguish of our hearts.
It is beyond our understanding
and more than we can bear.
Accept our prayer
that as Sarah has been released from this world's cruelty,
so may she be received into your safe hands and secure love.
We pray that justice may be done
and that we may treasure the memory of her life more than the manner of her death.
For Christ's sake,
Amen.**



The Children's Society Webinars: Keeping Young People Safe from the Risks of Exploitation Wednesday 28th April 11am. The Children's Society invites you to a webinar understanding more about the risks young people face from exploitation. Tickets are free but registration is essential via https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CTTruZEUMTRGqRLFfN5zycw

Children of Light Festival Training



Faith in the Nexus Training - The Faith in the Nexus Report and its Implications 21st April 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/faith-in-the-nexus-training-the-faith-in-the-nexus-report-and-its-implications/>

Sweaty Church Training Workshop 24th April 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/children-of-light-sweaty-church-training-workshop/>

Sweaty Church Training Workshop 29th April 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/children-of-light-sweaty-church-training-workshop1/>

Faith in the Nexus Training - Connecting to and engaging with Children and Young People in your area 4th May 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/faith-in-the-nexus-training-connecting-to-and-engaging-with-children-and-young-people-in-your-area/>

Sweaty Church Training Workshop 13th May 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/children-of-light-sweaty-church-training-workshop2/>

Sweaty Church Training Workshop 15th May 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/children-of-light-sweaty-church-training-workshop3/>

Faith in the Nexus Training - Children and Holiness 18th May 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/faith-in-the-nexus-training-children-and-holiness/>

Faith in the Nexus Training - Schools Ministry 22nd June 2021 <https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/schools-and-youth/children-of-light-festival/children-of-light-festival-events/faith-in-the-nexus-training-schools-ministry/>

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(Easingwold and District Community Care)

Please note that during the COVID-19 crisis, our staff are working from home and can be contacted Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.30am to 12.30pm using the normal telephone number: 01347 822875.

Messages can be left outside those hours, or email at info@edcca.org.uk

We offer a Meals on Wheels service (Mondays to Fridays) and also a telephone befriending service. Contact us on the above number for more information.

We are co-ordinating volunteers to assist people in Easingwold and the surrounding villages who are self-isolating or in need of help with shopping and collecting prescriptions.

Please let us know if you are willing to volunteer or need help.

Thank you.

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Future dates will be announced as and when the current COVID-19 crisis ends

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CHURCH BULLETIN BLOOPERS

Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

ooOOoo

The Women's Fellowship Group will start their spring programme with a wine and cheese party.

ooOOoo

SIGN OF THE TIMES

(As seen on a church notice board)

There are some questions that can't be answered by GOOGLE!

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