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Matthew 28:6

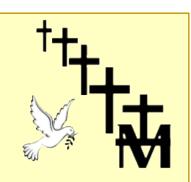
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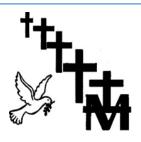
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From the Vicar



It was three years ago that Covid was just starting to reach the UK. We had gone into lockdown and we didn't really know what was going to happen next.

We can all look back and think that politicians did or did not do the right thing but ultimately we still had to get on with our lives.

We are still suffering from the effects. Nearly two years of children's education was disrupted, therefore it will take time for these young people to catch up, if they ever do.

People who spent time in isolation lost the confidence to go out; some people are still uncertain about having visitors in their houses; people are more susceptible to illness as they have not built up immunity over the past couple of years; the list goes on.

We have to ask, where is God in all of this? We have to look to the Easter Day and the Resurrection to find out. Christ knew that He was going to suffer in bleak times but He also knew that it would not go on for ever.

Most of us cannot imagine what it would be like to stand in front of a court to be accused of something, for which the punishment is death, when we are innocent; most of us cannot imagine what it would be like to be flogged and most of us cannot imagine what our mothers would feel like watching us die. Jesus dealt with suffering on many different levels but there was something positive that came from it. There was Easter and there was hope. There would still be grief as Jesus was only around for a short period of time. There was still the loss of a friend, a brother and a son.

The Easter Day story is retold in Mark's Gospel with the women finding a young man in the tomb, "He is risen! He's not here!" The joyful news that Jesus was no longer dead was mixed with fear and unbelief. It will only be later when they realise exactly what these words mean; humans being reconciled with God and our sins forgiven through the ultimate sacrifice of their beloved friend.

Holy Week gives us an opportunity to take ourselves back 2000 years and to be in the crowd observing what is going on. There are special services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday to help us with this.

This Eastertide, let us be joyful that we have Christ in our lives and let us be thankful for the sacrifice that He made for us.

Have a wonderful Easter, rejoicing in the Lord.

Margaret

HOLY WEEK

Sunday 2nd April — Palm Sunday
Holy Communion at 9.30 am: Raskelf Church
Eucharist at 10.30 am: Easingwold Parish Church
Liturgy of the Palms to be read outside (weather permitting)
Choral Evensong at 4 pm: Easingwold Parish Church

Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th April Compline at 6.30 pm: Easingwold Parish Church

Tuesday 4th April: Lent Course: Easingwold Parish Church at 2.30 pm

6th April—Maundy Thursday Eucharist Service at 7.30 pm with stripping of the Altar: Easingwold Parish Church

7th April—Good Friday
Ecumenical Service in Easingwold Market Place at 11.30 am
Final Hour Service at 2.00 pm; Easingwold Parish Church

9th April—Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service in Easingwold Market Place at 7.30 am
Eucharist and Service of Light at 9.00 am Easingwold Parish Church
Easter Service at 10.30 am: Raskelf Church with Easter Egg Hunt
Eucharist at 10.30 am: Easingwold Parish Church
Family Service with Easter Egg Hunt at 4.30 pm:
Easingwold Parish Church

EASINGWOLD PARISH CHURCH

CHORAL EVENSONG
THE CROSS OF CHRIST

PALM SUNDAY

2ND APRIL AT 4PM

A devotion for Holy Week with readings and music sung by the Easingwold Deanery Ecumenical Choir



The church will be decorated for Easter on Saturday 8th April from 10.00 am

Any help would be gratefully appreciated

The Children's Society

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

HALF-YEARLY COLLECTIONS

Formerly known as The Church of England Children's Society, the CS is a UK charity, allied to the Church of England. Its aims are to improve the lives of disadvantaged children and young people, and to create a positive shift in social attitudes towards them.

We as a parish have supported it for many years through both direct donations and individual collection boxes which are held by parishioners, and in which loose change can be collected. I have boxes if you would like one.

Boxes are opened in April and September each year. **Collections are due by 16th April**. The proceeds should be given to me for forwarding, either in cash or ideally in the form of a cheque payable to "The Children's Society". If you do not hold a box, but wish to support young people in this way, I would be delighted to pass any donations, anonymously if you prefer, to the Society on your behalf.

Ian Peel (01347 823548)

ELECTORAL ROLL

Every parish in the Church of England is required to maintain an Electoral Roll (ER), which is a list of all 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 a copy is displayed on the notice-boards of both churches. Thus, if you wish to exercise your vote at the forthcoming Annual Parochial Church Meeting (21st May) please check that you are included, and if not complete a form and pass it to me at 11 Whiteoak Avenue or give me a call on 01347 823548 by 26th April.

Blank election forms are available in both churches, or I would be pleased to deliver one to you if this is not convenient.

Many thanks, Ian Peel

ADVANCE NOTICE

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING: SUNDAY 21ST MAY

Both church wardens finish their term of duty this year and so the churches are in need of people to fulfil the role.

Please speak with either the vicar or the current wardens if you feel you could take on this valuable role within the church.

EASINGWOLD CHURCH FLOWER ROTA

Could you assist with the flower rota?

There is a notice by the church door—please help.



Christians Together Men's Breakfast

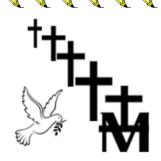
(formerly St John the Baptist Men's Group)

At our March meeting discussions were held regarding the principle and practice of caring for the poor, downtrodden and marginalised, prompted by Gary Lineker speaking up for those who cannot speak for themselves.

The next men's breakfast meeting is to be held at 10am on Saturday 8th April after the Christians Together prayer meeting. The meeting is to be held in Morning Coffee Afternoon Tea, Long Street Easingwold. Anyone is welcome to join us for breakfast and a time of fellowship. We meet in the restaurant area [turn left when you come in through the front door and continue to the far area of the restaurant].

If you would like to join us then please just come along or, if you would like further details, please contact me, David Brown, at david@dkbassociates.co.uk or on 07789 900 939.

> How good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity (Psalm 133v1)



YOU and ME

....bringing people together

Keep the date!

Keep the A Quiz Evening Friday 28th April Look out for further details to be announced later in the month



Lottie

SERVICES AND EVENTS: APRIL 2023

To contact Rev'd Margaret Young, tel: 01347 821394 or email: vicar@easingwoldraskelfanglican.org
The Vicar's day off is Monday

Children are welcome at all our services



Services at Easingwold Parish Church

Sunday and Wednesday 9.00am—Holy Communion Sunday 10.30am—Holy Communion

(This service is also accessible on Zoom on 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month)

Sunday 2nd April —Palm Sunday—Choral Evensong at 4.00pm
Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th: Compline at 6.30pm
Thursday 6th April: Maundy Thursday Eucharist Service at 7.30pm

Friday 7th April: Good Friday Final Hour Service at 2.00pm

Sunday 9th April: Easter Sunday

Eucharist and Service of Light at 9am

Eucharist Service at 10.30am

Family Service with Easter Egg Hunt at 4.30pm



Mothers' Union

Thursday 20th April at 10am
Communion followed by Coffee in the Parish Church



Children's Church Services at Easingwold

LITTLE SEEDS

for 4 to 9 year olds Thursdays at 3.45pm in the Parish Church

IGNITE

for 10+ year olds Fridays at 3.45pm at the Vicarage

Craft — Singing — Drama—Bible Stories — Prayers

Please ring Vicar Margaret on 01347 821394 for more details or just turn up

"GROUP OF EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN"

A very informal group looking at ways to help one another and the community meeting in the Parish Church, Easingwold

1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month 7.00-9.00pm

April date: 20th (Meeting on 6th cancelled as it is Maundy Thursday)

ST MARY'S CHURCH, RASKELF

Sunday 2nd April: Holy Communion at 9.30am Wednesday 5th April:

Lite Bite Lunch at the Old Black Bull at 12 noon

Sunday 9th April: Easter Service at 10.30am

Sunday 16th April: Holy Communion at 9.30am

CHILDREN ALWAYS WELCOME





EASTER SERVICE AT ST MARY'S CHURCH RASKELF SUNDAY 9TH APRIL AT 10.30AM

EASTER EGG HUNT AND REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW AFTER THE SERVICE

CHURCH SERVICES

1st **Sunday**: Easingwold 9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

4.00 pm Evening Prayer/Evensong

Raskelf 9.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

2nd Sunday: Easingwold 9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

4.30 pm Family Service

3rd Sunday: Easingwold 9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

Raskelf 9.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

4th **Sunday:** Easingwold 9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

5th **Sunday:** Easingwold 9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

Weekdays in Easingwold:

4th Tuesday 7.00 pm Café Church—for those exploring faith

Wednesday 9.00 am Holy Communion

1st & 3rd Thursdays 7.00-9.00pm—Women's Group in the Parish Church

3rd Thursday 10.00 am Mothers' Union Holy Communion

Thursday 3.45 pm in church—Little Seeds for 4-9 year olds (term time)

Friday 3.45 pm at the Vicarage — Ignite for 10 years + (term time)





Evening Prayer in Easingwold is on the 1st Sunday in the month at 4pm

2nd April Palm Sunday Evening Prayer

Liturgy of the Palms

Matthew 21:1-11 (read outside) Isaiah 5:1-6

Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 21:33-46

Liturgy of the Pasion

Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 27:11-54

6th April Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35

7th April Good Friday

Readings in the form of a drama

9th April Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43 Song of Solomon 3:2-5, 8:6-7

Matthew 28:1-10 John 20:11-18

16th April Easter 2

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Daniel 6:6-23

1 Peter 1:3-9 Mark 15:46-16:8

John 20:19-31

23rd April Easter 3

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Haggai 1:13-2:8

1 Peter 1:17-23 1 Corinthians 3:10-17

Luke 24:13-35

30th April Easter 4

Acts 2:42-47 Ezra 3:1-13

1 Peter 2:19-25 Ephesians 2:11-22

John 10:1-10

BIBLE CONVERSATIONS

Tuesday 4th April from 10am to 11.15am

All are welcome to join this time of discussion about Paul's Letter to the Romans and what it says to us today, followed by a short time of prayer.

Contact Chris Peel (01347 823548) if you would like further information.

Christians Together

United in prayer for the Community of Easingwold Saturday 8th April

at The New Inn (Morning Coffee—Afternoon Tea) on Long Street from 8.45am for coffee/tea—prayer begins at 9.00am until 9.45am

Please contact Rev'd Lottie Cranfield on 07807 941528 if you have any questions or would like to find out more information about Christians Together.

"In unity God will grow His church"

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is at the heart of what the church offers to the community, and the prayer corner in St John the Baptist and All Saints' is used regularly. It is a space where you are able to write the names of people you would like to have remembered in the book there. At St John the Baptist and All Saints', we join with you in your prayers for family, friends and all for whom you care. 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/them.

If you would like prayers, please contact Rev'd Lottie Cranfield on 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

From the Registers



Baptisms

5th March: Rory Edward Brown (Raskelf)

5th March: Hallie Jane Smith

5th March: Blossom Heidi Smith

19th March: Evie Rose Elsworth

Funerals

8th February: Maggie Snowden

14th March: James Hebdon

22nd March: Kathleen Madge Rounthwaite

23rd March: Gordon Kay

24th March: Jenny Toase

28th March: Kirsten Wilson

Eloi, Eloi

In strange, exotic words I do not know you speak of painful things I know too well; of separation, ever left bereft, of love forsaken and the grasp of hell.

And it's only fleeting consolation to find these words embedded in the psalms, giving meaning to contorted passion, through the twister's eye a final calm.

God was on the wood that awful Friday crying out, misunderstood again; drowning in the depths of our exhaustion, trouncing pain within the depths of pain.

Twisted thorn and sacred wood and iron, where life lost, there life has been regained.

Anonymous

Taken from the Archbishop's Lent book: "Godforsaken"

Open The Book at Easingwold Primary School



Forthcoming dates to be announced

For further information contact Andrew Neville-Smith at a.nevillesmith@btinternet.com

EASINGWOLD CHORAL EVENSONG

SUNDAY 4TH JUNE AT 4PM

(rehearsal 2nd June at 7.30pm)

If you would like to sing with the Ecumenical Deanery Choir, please contact Peter Smith for further details.

Peter can be contacted at:

petersmith41@btinternet.com

Christian Meditation

Most Fridays at 2.30 pm to 3.15 pm at the Galtres Centre Function Room

It includes periods of music and silent meditation



In today's culture this is an opportunity of being together in a reflective mood including silence. After a brief period of spoken reflection we experience some reflective music. We then enter a period of silent meditation for about 20-25 minutes. Some people use a mantra such as "Maranatha" (Come Lord Jesus). This has 4 beats and fits a breathing in and out (said twice). Others, or no mantras, are used - but not spoken. After this, another period of music precedes a final prayer. It doesn't suit everyone but it is something worth trying. Sometimes we have a few comments, even laughter, afterwards! In today's busy-ness people often find this simple and yet cathartic. Even children in school use silence as a restful experience!

Perhaps, give it a try? Join us, you are most welcome.

Contact Marko Jakic 01347 469049

PARISH PASSES FOR YORK MINSTER

Any member of the Parish may obtain a digital pass from the PCC Secretary. It is valid for one person for one visit only. Visiting and closure times are on the York Minster website: http://www.yorkminster.org or by telephoning 01904 557275

EDCCA

Easingwold District Community Care Association



The services that we can offer to our clients are:

- ♦ Befriending/telephone befriending plus a Carers' sitting service which offers respite for carers for a couple of hours as needed.
- ♦ Help with shopping and a prescription collection/delivery on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- ♦ Meals on Wheels service offering tasty, hot nutritious meals 5 days per week (Monday to Friday) for the cost of £7.50.
- ♦ Car Scheme for people without access to transport for medical or social appointments.
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- Minibus Trips partnered with Morse Coaches to various destinations details of trips are advertised on our website and in the Easingwold Advertiser
- ♦ Knit and Natter group at Springhill court, 1.30pm to 3.30pm on the first Monday of the month.
- ♦ Hub Club for people living with Dementia Tuesdays and Fridays in Easingwold Football Club. Contact EDCCA for more details.
- Not Just Me... a group for people and their carers or family experiencing mental ill health. This group is run by qualified Mental Health First Aiders. Call us for details
- ♦ EDCCA Charity Boutique on Long Street open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.30am to 4pm and Saturday mornings 9.30am to 12.30pm. Donations are very welcome.
- Crossword club meets weekly on Monday mornings in the Police House. It is a small, select group but new members are most welcome.
- ♦ Wheelchair hire service, for those who may require one. A small weekly charge is payable.
- ♦ EDCCA runs the Easingwold Foodbank and can be reached on the main EDCCA telephone number 01347 822875 or the direct line 0772 44 44 750 which is regularly monitored.
- ♦ Food share stalls are held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays mornings from 9am outside Cozie in partnership with the Co-op.
- ⋄ From April we will have a Boccia and Kurling session at Tholthorpe village hall from 2pm to 3.30pm, £3 per session includes refreshments.
- ♦ Poppets starting in April for 1- to 3-year-olds in Easingwold Town Band Room. £2 per child.
- ♦ Citizens Advice an advisor is at the Police House on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month
- ♦ Citizens Advice Minibus is in Easingwold every month check with EDCCA for dates

Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 09.30 am to 12.30 pm and we can be contacted by telephone on 01347 822875 or by email info@edcca.org.uk

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