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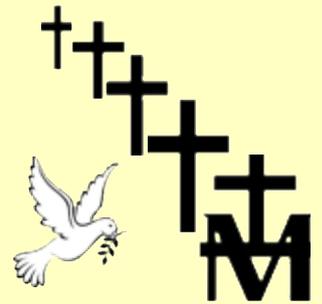
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From Rev'd Robin Davill



Sunday 22nd of May this year- Easter 6 New Style, Easter 5 proper style, the Sunday before Ascension Day has been observed as Rogation Sunday since ancient times. Like a number of Christian festivals, Rogation, (from the Latin *rogare* – ask), initially came about in later Roman times, from the Christianising of the pagan practice of processing through the fields, praying for the protection and blessing of the crops. As a good harvest could make the difference between life and death, it was understandable that everyone was keen to make sure that all spiritual power possible was asked to aid the success of the crops.

Rogation continued to be observed in this manner in Christian Europe until, in England at least, the Reformation. At that time processions, pilgrimages and such like began to be viewed as a distraction from reading and expounding the word of God – and as God could be prayed to anywhere, you didn't need to process to a cornfield for your prayers for its wellbeing to be more effective. Such parish perambulations as did take place at Rogationtide were more concerned with beating the bounds, establishing who owned what and where the boundaries were. Like the law that insisted the Royal Arms were placed in church, rogation became more about reinforcing civic authority, than fending off the mildew. This, with three days of fasting and abstinence in the week following, suited the puritanical middle classes down to the ground.

By the nineteenth century Britain was rapidly industrialising, and by mid century over half the population were working outside the agricultural sector, and that trend has continued down to the present day. Rural areas such as ours still have strong agricultural roots but the connection, by far for the majority of British people, between the food they eat and the country they live in is often tenuous to say the least. Over the pandemic the countryside has been seen by many as a green gym and a quiet refuge to restore your mental and physical health. The idea of it as a workplace is quite distant to many people. It is this disconnect that has led farming to be viewed unsympathetically, and to be seen by many as deeply flawed and a major cause of world problems. These include degradation of the environment and climate change. Certainly when we look at much of the U.S., Australian and South American agriculture with their huge monocultures of wheat, maize and other crops combined with vast intense animal production this is something that cannot be sustained. However, the simplistic solution that we must rely solely on plant based food, that conventional farming should be scrapped, and that as much land as possible in this country should be rewilded, is very wide of the mark.

Rogationtide should remind us of our dependence on our farmers and food producers, and also our responsibility for the wonderful world God has given us. Britain has a temperate climate with a wide variety of landscapes all of which are capable of producing food in harmony with nature. Getting that balance right is never easy and not without cost in terms of what we are prepared to eat, when we are prepared to eat it and how much we are prepared to pay for it. Could we be more seasonal and more local in our choices? Could we eat less but better meat? And of course there is another elephant in the room: the cost of energy prices which are having huge knock on effects and are causing real hardship for many.

Farming and food production and the choices we make about them matter hugely. We cannot just ignore them and assume that it is nothing to do with us. Nor can we attach ourselves to simplistic extremes which will inevitably fail. God has given us a world which with careful unselfish stewardship will produce enough for all. We need to do our part by producing sustainably and sharing generously.

Robin

John Kirman

It was with great sadness that we held the funeral of John Kirman, on Tuesday 19th April. The family wished to have a celebration of his life and the service really was just that. It was full of music which he loved. I first met John some 25 years ago at the house of mutual friends, John made everyone feel at ease he was so generous in spirit, a man of great character, with a kind heart. So full of life and the biggest smile. There will be a gap left by John, he was greatly loved and will be missed by many.

Rev'd Lottie Cranfield

John was a great support to any number of people in Stillington and beyond. Be it crisis time, a sounding board, or just as a good listener. John would have a go at anything, always fired up by that wonderful heart of gold of his. As so many of us have experienced, nothing was ever too much trouble for John, the great giver. John and Christine lived in Stillington for over 20 years and then moved into Easingwold to The Old Vicarage.

Tim Richards, Stillington

As a fellow organist, John was a delight to know. He always had a cheery smile and would willingly help with accompanying the services. He was very modest and self-deprecating about his organ playing but he was competent and sensitive in his accompaniments. He liked to play new voluntaries which he had learnt.

John also sang bass on a regular basis in the Deanery Choir, having been a chorister in his younger days. I shall personally miss him very much. It was a privilege to play the organ at his funeral.

Peter Smith

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

Sunday 22nd May

**The meeting will follow the morning service which will be held at
the revised time of 10 am**

**This service and the APCM will be accessible on Zoom
There will be no 9 am service**

There are vacancies on the PCC so if you feel you would like to become more involved with your church, nomination forms can be obtained from Margaret.

If you are nominating anyone to become a PCC member,
please obtain their permission



Mothers' Union



**Saturday 14th May from 3pm
Afternoon Tea in the Parish Church**

**Thursday 19th May at 10am
Holy Communion and Wave of Prayer
followed by Coffee in the Parish Church**

All welcome

Mollie Eyres

The interment of Mollie Eyres' ashes will be on
Sunday 8th May at Scackleton Church at 12 noon
following a service which begins at 10.30.



Afterwards there will be a reception at the Worsley Arms, Hovingham at about 12.30

Anyone who would like to attend please contact her son, Nick, on 07900 665837

PARISH MAGAZINE DELIVERY

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PCC TREASURER VACANCY

The PCC is looking for someone to take on
the role of Treasurer.

Initially this would involve working alongside
the present Treasurer, Bill Henebury, for the
coming year and then fully take over the role.
Bill is currently supported by Kamal
Antoun who is happy to continue in his
support role during the transitional period and
thereafter, as required.

If you are interested, please contact
vicar@easingwoldraskelfanglican.org
or Bill Henebury on 01347 239178

From Rev'd Lottie

Prayer is always important and is something we
can all do daily. We pray for ourselves and our
family, for the troubled world, for our church
and community. Every month - the second
Saturday - you have the opportunity to join
with others from the churches in Easingwold to
pray.

We meet at The New Inn on Long Street.

Arrive from 8.45am for coffee/tea.

Prayer begins at 9.00am for approximately
30 minutes.

**We would love you to come and join us on
Saturday 14th May from 8.45am.**



ART FOR UKRAINE

There was a special exhibition at Easingwold Parish Church last month of artwork by our own very talented Gina Smith!

She uses a technique called "Stitch Textile Work", in which she starts from a photograph or a sketch and builds up a picture using layers of transparent fabrics – a sort of "Painting With Textiles"! She then either photographs the resultant images to be turned into greetings cards, or has them framed as separate pictures.



There were some beautiful examples of her work on display and for sale!

This very worthwhile event raised around a whopping £1000 which will be sent to the Disasters Emergency Committee for their work with Ukraine. Well done and thank you Gina.

M.W.



Easter garden at
Easingwold Parish Church

SERVICES AND EVENTS: MAY 2022

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



Services at Easingwold Parish Church

Sunday and Wednesday 9.00 am—Holy Communion

Sunday 10.30 am—Holy Communion

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

Sunday 8th May: Family Service at 4.30 pm

Sunday 15th May: Café Church at 6.30 pm

Thursday 19th May: Mothers' Union Holy Communion at 10 am

Sunday 22nd May:

APCM to follow the morning service

(Please note there will be just one service to be held at 10 am.

This service and APCM will be accessible on Zoom)

Thursday 26th May: Ascension Day Service at 7.30 pm

Sunday 29th May: Choral Evensong for Ascensiontide at 4 pm

Fridays —IGNITE at 3.45 pm in the Parish Church

Services at Raskelf Church

Sunday 1st May

Sunday 15th May

Holy Communion at 10.30 am

WOMEN'S GROUP

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

May dates: 5th and 19th

CHURCH SERVICES



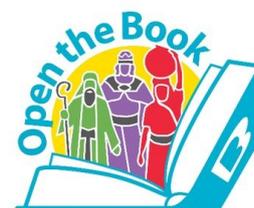
1st Sunday:	<i>Easingwold</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>4.00 pm</i>	<i>Evening Prayer/Evensong</i>
2nd Sunday:	<i>Raskelf</i>	<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	<i>Easingwold</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>4.30 pm</i>	<i>Family Service</i>
3rd Sunday:	<i>Raskelf</i>		<i>No Service</i>
	<i>Easingwold</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>6.30 pm</i>	<i>Café Church —a relaxed informal service</i>
4th Sunday:	<i>Raskelf</i>	<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	<i>Easingwold</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>4.00 pm</i>	<i>May be a special service of Taize or Healing on this or 5th Sundays</i>
5th Sunday:	<i>Raskelf</i>		<i>No Service</i>
	<i>Easingwold</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	<i>Raskelf</i>		<i>No Service</i>

Weekdays in Easingwold:

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
Friday 3.45 pm in church —Ignite (for older primary and early secondary age groups)

**Open The Book at
Easingwold Primary School**

Future dates to be announced



Readings

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

1st May

Acts 9:1-6
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

Easter 3

Evensong

Isaiah 38:9-20
John 11:27-44

8th May

Acts 9:36-43
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

Easter 4

Isaiah 63:7-14
Luke 24:36-49

15th May

Acts 11:1-18
Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35

Easter 5

Daniel 6:6-23
Mark 15:46-16

22nd May

Acts 16:9-15
John 5:1-9

Easter 6 (APCM: 2 readings)

Zephaniah 3:14-end
Matthew 28:1-10, 16-end

26th May

Acts 1:1-11
Luke 24:44-end

Ascension Day (7.30 pm)

29th May

Acts 16:16-34
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-end
John 17:20-26

Easter 7

Isaiah 44:1-8
Ephesians 4:7-16



From the Registers

Baptisms

3rd April: Abigail Diana Ross-Williams

17th April: Arlo Harry Davis (Raskelf)

Funerals

11th April: Olive Green

19th April: John Kirman

26th April: Norman Edwin Howlett (Raskelf)

30th April: Michael Calaminus

Wedding

30th April:

Matthew Clarke and Amy Lavelle

ST MARY'S CHURCH, RASKELF

Sunday 1st May —Holy Communion at 10.30 am

Wednesday 4th May —Lite Bite Lunch at the
Old Black Bull at 12 noon

Sunday 15th May —Holy Communion at 10.30am

CHILDREN ALWAYS WELCOME



Children's Church Services at Easingwold



FAMILY SERVICE
2nd Sunday in the month
4.30 pm at the Parish Church

Craft — Singing — Drama—Bible Stories — Prayers
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IGNITE
for 7-13 year olds (approx)
Fridays at 3.45 pm
at the Parish Church



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/them. If you would like prayer, please contact Reverend Lottie Cranfield on 07807 941528.



Please include in your prayers this month:

- ◆ All who live in Easingwold town centre
- ◆ The Galtres Centre – staff, volunteers and all activities; those who litter pick; those responsible for the flower tubs and hanging baskets around the town
- ◆ The shops, cafes, pubs, offices, library, dentists, undertakers in the town centre serving the whole community
- ◆ Raskelf Gymkhana – all who work hard to make it a success

New data from Action Fraud, [the national reporting centre for fraud and cybercrime](#), reveals that **20,144** people fell victim to scams where they were persuaded to grant criminals remote access to their device.

Victims reported losing a total of **£57,790,384** – an average loss of **£2,868** per victim.

What are remote access scams

Remote Access scams will often begin with a browser pop-up saying that your computer is infected with a virus, or maybe a call from someone claiming to be from your bank saying that they need to connect to your computer in order to cancel a fraudulent transaction on your account. Regardless of the narrative the fraudster's use, their goal is to steal your money or access your financial information by tricking you into allowing them to remotely connect to your computer.

How to protect yourself

Only install software or grant remote access to your computer if you're asked by someone you know and trust, such as a friend or family member, and never as a result of an unsolicited call, browser pop up, or text message.

- Remember, a bank or service provider will never contact you out of the blue requesting remote access to your device.
- If you believe your laptop, PC, tablet or phone has been infected with a virus or some other type of malware, follow the NCSC's guidance on [recovering an infected device](#).
- Protect your money by contacting your bank immediately on a different device from the one the scammer contacted you on.

Report it to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or via [actionfraud.police.uk](#).

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 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 it in the Bible ourselves.

Please contact Gina, either in Church 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 £13.80 a year for 365 daily readings – less than 4p a day.

A Prayer for Ukraine

*God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen*

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Easingwold District Community Care Association



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- ◇ We continue to offer help with collecting shopping and prescriptions.
- ◇ Our Meals on Wheels service continues to offer a tasty, hot nutritious meal 5 days per week.
- ◇ Our crossword club meets weekly here in the Police House. They are a small, select group but welcome new members.
- ◇ We have a wheelchair hire service, for those who may require one.
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