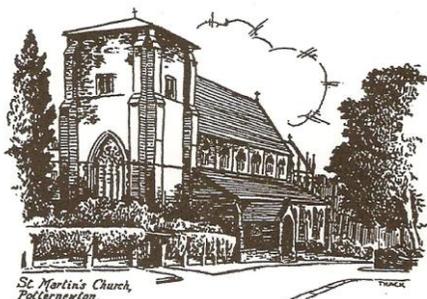


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Editor's Comment:

Wishing you all a blessed Easter! New life is to be seen springing up in our gardens in the shape of beautiful flowers. I'm pretty sure that countryside fields will be full of bouncing lambs too. We all hold on to the hope of fewer restrictions and the ability to meet with those we love and to visit the places we love once more. In the meantime keep safe and well.

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Pastoral Letter

AN EASTER PRAYER

Dear Lord,

Immediately after the Resurrection, appearing to Your apostles and disciples on several occasions, each time in those encounters You stopped to listen to what Your friends had to say, You heard from them of their fears, of their doubts, of their inability to comprehend. And you addressed those feelings, with Your words of reassurance, with Your understanding, even taking time to share a meal with some of them. You had bread with Cleopas and his friend on the road to Emmaus; You ate fish with the Eleven and their companions on the shore of the lake.

At this time when we also are often afraid and in doubt, unable to understand in full what has happened, and often terribly lonely, strangers in a strange land; at this time, stay with us, speak to our hearts, break the bread with us.

If only our paths could be like Your paths: places where to meet others rather than routes leading us to the isolation to which we have been constrained. O Lord, may we never let go of the people who are around us. We need travelling companions, with whom to share the burdens we carry, with whom to share our meal and the simple joy it brings.

There is always a call to repentance in the words of the Scripture. You, Jesus, also speak of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. Our own disregard for others, especially those who are strangers to us, is a sin that calls for repentance and conversion. However, nothing we can do without Your Spirit, not even turn around, not even change direction. May Your Spirit O Lord renew the face of the Earth; renew the wonders of creation. The Earth can be an empty, desolate wasteland and darkness envelope all that exists, but Your Spirit hovering over the waters turns chaos into cosmos, darkness finds light, deserts teem with life, and what was empty and shapeless becomes harmonious and beautiful. Often we too feel empty, almost shapeless and lifeless. Breathe on us Your Spirit, O Lord. Transform our isolation in the universe into communion with one another and with You.

Renew also the miracle of the dry bones that found again their flesh and came back to life. But unlike the prophet Ezekiel we no longer say, " Spirit, come from the four winds", as if we did not know from

where the breath of the Spirit comes. In Easter, we say instead, *"Come, Spirit, come, from the side of Christ pierced on the cross! Come from the mouth of the Risen One!"*

Breathe on us Your Spirit, and breathe on us Your peace. That we may be content with the life we live, with what we have, with the people that share The Way with us. And when we lose what we have, may we still keep our peace, and give peace to this world of ours. Listen to the prayer of Ahmed, a young Iraqi, years ago, and may his be the prayer of all those who experience conflict, in themselves, in their families, in the country where they live:

"I pray: may the rain of fire never come again on us. May I sing again, and again experience joy. May I grow, but never grow into a man of violence. I want to be with my friends, fall in love, build a house and work my field.

O Lord, may I look at the sky again without fear. Free me from fear. Stop the great black birds that carry death and destruction. Stop our enemies and forgive them: they think they own the world, but they forget that if our eyes close, we will never see their glory."

Yours in the Risen Christ,
Fr Nicholas



Links to services on Facebook / Zoom

The Sunday Eucharist is streamed live if the service is in church; this is the link to view it at your leisure, as well as to follow live a sung Evening Prayer every Wednesday at 5:00 pm:
<https://www.facebook.com/StMartinPotternewton/>

Join Morning Prayer on Zoom, Wednesdays at 10:00 am, or Sunday Eucharist if it is not held in church. Please ask a member of the clergy or congregation for the meeting ID and passcode. If you know of people who do not have a computer or a smartphone, they can listen to the Zoom services by dialling this number: 0330 088 5830 (cost of a local call; not a premium number). They will then be asked to enter the meeting ID (please ask a member of the clergy or congregation for this) then when asked for Participant ID they should just press the hash button: #

Fr Nicholas

Calendar



April

Thurs 1st	<u>Maundy Thursday</u>	6.30 pm Eucharist and Vigil in church or on Zoom
Fri 2nd	<u>Good Friday</u>	9.00 am Community Kitchen 1.00 pm Churches Together Zoom service (Contact Rev Jane for details) 2.30 pm Stations of the Cross on Zoom 3.30 pm Service of the Cross in church
Sun 4th	<u>Easter Sunday</u>	5.30 am Vigil Mass in church 10.00 am Parish Eucharist in church or on Zoom
Tues 6th		6.00 pm PCC on Zoom
Weds 7th		9.00 am Community Kitchen 10:00 am Morning Prayer on Zoom 5.00 pm Sung Evening Prayer in church (also streamed on our Facebook page)
Fri 9th		9.00 am Community Kitchen 7.30 pm Quiz on Zoom – all welcome (Contact Rev Jane for Meeting ID and passcode)
Sun 11th	<u>The Second Sunday of Easter</u>	10:00 am Parish Eucharist in church or on Zoom
Weds 14th		9.00 am Community Kitchen 10:00 am Morning Prayer on Zoom 5.00 pm Sung Evening Prayer in church (also streamed on our Facebook page)

Fri 16th	9.00 am	Community Kitchen
Sun 18th	<u>The Third Sunday of Easter</u>	
	10:00 am	Parish Eucharist in church or on Zoom
Tues 20th	6.00 pm	Standing Committee on Zoom
Weds 21st	9.00 am	Community Kitchen
	10:00 am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	5.00 pm	Sung Evening Prayer in church (also streamed on our Facebook page)
Fri 23rd	<u>St George</u>	
	9.00 am	Community Kitchen
Sun 25th	<u>The Fourth Sunday of Easter</u>	
	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist in church or on Zoom
Mon 26th	<u>St Mark</u>	
Weds 28th	9.00 am	Community Kitchen
	10:00 am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	5.00 pm	Sung Evening Prayer in church (also streamed on our Facebook page)
Fri 30th	9.00 am	Community Kitchen



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

From the book: *Peace of Heart in All Things*, by Brother Roger Shutz, founder of the ecumenical community of Taizé, GIA Publications

Jesus, our joy, you want us to have hearts that are simple, and then the complications of existence do not paralyze us so much. You tell us: "Don't worry; I am with you always."

News

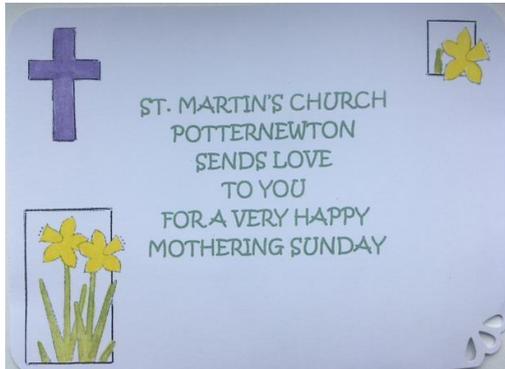
PCC digest

On Tuesday 2nd March the PCC met online via Zoom and here is some information about its deliberations:

- The Institute continues to remain shut to all paying groups, with a considerable financial loss for our parish church (almost 50% of our income).
- Our finances are going to be considerably impacted further by necessary works being carried out at the Institute (about £1,200) and especially at the church, where a major issue with the boiler's pump and some pipework will cost us no less than £4,000 in repairs and at the moment has left us without heating.
- Churchwarden Jason C. has stopped a leak in the roof of the church porch and will carry out more permanent repairs in due course.
- Despite the fact that members of our congregation have recently been seriously impacted by the virus, personally or through members of their family, the PCC will cautiously monitor the progress in the slow but steady decline of the number of cases nationally and now also in Leeds, in view of resuming church Sunday services in person in the next few weeks if at all possible and safe.
- As we approach the date of our next Annual General Meeting on 25 April you may consider joining the PCC to be part of the team of trustees engaged in shared leadership to shape the present and future ministry of our Christian community. If you are interested, please inform Sue or Nicholas.
- The next Zoom meeting of the PCC is scheduled for Tuesday 6th April at 6:00 pm.

Fr Nicholas

Mothersing Sunday



These lovely cards dropped through the letter boxes of members of our congregation in the run-up to Mothersing Sunday. Covid-19 may still restrict our ability to meet in our beautiful church building as a congregation but the Eucharist continued via Zoom as an alternative.

Our Mothersing Sunday Eucharist 2021 was presided over by Fr Ericsson and Paula read our first reading, Exodus 2:1-10. Our Gospel reading (Luke 2:33-35) and an interactive sermon were led by Revd Colin. Prior to the service kits had been scrambled to families and individuals which would enable them to take their own fingerprints. Don't worry – no crime had been committed which required forensic investigation, rather it was Revd Colin's way of demonstrating just how unique every individual is and more especially how unique every mother is! Did you know that there are 3 types of fingerprints: whirls, loops and ridges? No, me neither!

Our prayers were led by our younger congregation from the Mapfumo and Lynch families. We also remembered dear mothers who were no longer with us. Matthew provided beautiful music as ever with hymns including "For Mary Mother of Our Lord", "Make me a Channel of your Peace" and "Tell Out My Soul". Let's hope that for Mothersing Sunday 2022 we will be able to mark it together back in church...



Helen Sanders

Palm Trees and Palm Sunday.

On Palm Sunday when Jesus entered Jerusalem in triumph, palm branches were placed in his path as he rode into the city. Palm Sunday is thus linked with palm branches and palm trees.

At the end of a cold, wet and windy winter, Palm Sunday brings a feeling of relief and hope. It heralds Easter and the knowledge that we are truly at the end of winter and that warmer summer weather is on its way, although sometimes later rather than sooner!

As warm, sunny weather and coconut palm trees are part of my memories of growing up in the Caribbean, it's easy for me to link Palm Sunday with palm trees. Palm trees play a useful role in our lives. Coconut and date palm trees provide us with food while their branches are used as roof thatching materials giving us shade and shelter. Wood fibres from palm trees are also used in making wicker furniture and hammocks for our comfort and convenience. Relaxing in the shade of coconut palm trees on a quiet tropical beach and enjoying the cooling sea breezes bring a measure of peace.

Palm branches are seen as symbols of victory, triumph, peace and eternal life. On Palm Sunday there is the hope that the weather would improve as summer makes its presence known. There is also the knowledge that Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday marked the beginning of victory for us all.



Jennie Collins

Easter explained for younger people

Easter Celebrations

The anticipation of all those chocolate Easter eggs can be almost too much! When the big day finally arrives, these are some sweet ways you can help children understand why they have received Easter eggs, and explain the Easter story while enjoying the chocolate too.

An Easter Egg story... for anyone old enough to eat chocolate

Here's a fun way to connect chocolate Easter eggs with the story of Easter from the bible.

Sit down together and enjoy peeling the foil wrapping off a hollow chocolate egg.

Hold the egg in your hand.

Jesus' tomb was a bit like this egg – with the big stone rolled against the tomb entrance, inside it must have been dark and cramped. It's as if the darkness makes it still Good Friday, the day that Jesus died.

But on the first Easter day, Jesus came alive again, and burst out of the tomb. Good Friday is broken once and for all, and new life is set free.

At this point, feel free to smash the egg and start eating the pieces. While you eat, keep going with thinking through the story.

But the trouble was, that nobody saw it happen. The soldiers who were guarding the tomb had fainted in fear, and the next thing we know, Mary arrives at Jesus' tomb and finds that it's empty. The actual moment of the resurrection happened in private. All that excitement and joy and nobody to share it...

On Easter Sunday we focus on Mary's story. There in the garden, the resurrection had already happened, but she was trapped in her own Good Friday – her grief and sadness kept her in the dark.

If you have another chocolate egg, peel off the wrapping together and hold it in your hand.

Just like the first egg, it's like Good Friday is still happening. It still felt like Good Friday to Mary.

When we read Mary's story we can tell the exact moment when the resurrection happened for her – it's when Jesus calls her name and she recognises him. Suddenly all her sadness is turned to joy. Mary's Good Friday is gone once and for all, the new life is set free in her.

You can smash and eat your second egg now.

Over the next few weeks, churches all over the world read more stories of how Jesus' friends discovered that he was alive again: their own Good Fridays turned to Easter, all in different ways.

If you have lots of chocolate eggs, you could use these stories to help you eat them:-

- Jesus' closest friends were trapped in a Good Friday because they were afraid, but Jesus came to them and said: 'Peace be with you', and all their fear disappeared.
- Thomas's Good Friday was all about doubt, but his doubt turned to new faith and confidence when he saw Jesus for himself.
- Some friends of Jesus were on a journey when Jesus met them on the road, and helped them understand what had happened; he stayed with them for supper and as he broke the bread to share, they recognised him. Their Good Friday confusion turned to Easter recognition.
- Peter was Jesus' best friend, but he was stuck in Good Friday because he'd betrayed Jesus just when he needed his friendship the most. Peter's Easter moment came when Jesus gave him three chances to say 'I love you' to make up the three times that he had turned his back.
- Sometimes we can get stuck in Good Friday too – you could use this prayer (perhaps as you eat a little bit more chocolate) to help you enjoy the new life of Easter – or pray it for people you know who are having a hard time at the moment.

*Dear Jesus,
Be with us in our Good Fridays,
and lead us into the new life of Easter.
Amen.*

'Article taken from www.churchofenglandchristenings.org with permission.'



Regulars – Mothers’ Union



Easter 2021

It is a strange feeling to be writing this article for, as I write, it is still unknown if we will all be together in Church celebrating the festival or if Covid infections will have risen once more and we will be back on Zoom or Facebook. So this is still a time of continued uncertainty.

Yet, when we think back to that first Easter we see that the disciples were also living in a time of tremendous uncertainty too. They must have felt so alone, frightened and in fear of their lives and very uncertain of their future. All their hopes, dreams and indeed the very beliefs they had felt so certain of were shattered in pieces. Because of course they did not know then that Jesus would rise from the dead. Their feelings of loss must have been unbearable.

During this last year we too have felt loneliness, fear and uncertainty. Many of us have suffered the great loss of a close family member or friend and, even though we have the sure and certain hope that our Lord has overcome death and prepared a place in Heaven for all believers, even so as weak human beings our feelings of sadness and loss have been great.

But now because Easter tells us the full story we are able to rejoice that Christ is risen; the tomb is empty; He has opened the gates of Heaven to us all. So as we welcome the signs of Spring - the new buds bursting into life - the green leaves on the trees - the golden daffodils (and as we enjoy our Easter Eggs!) - let us step out in faith - certain that the stone has been rolled away between God and His Creation. Let us discard all our uncertainties and fears - because Jesus is alive now - just walking one step ahead of us. He leads us not only through this world but into the world beyond. For our Lord has conquered death once and for all.

Prayer

May the bright light of Christ
Who is risen in glory
Scatter the darkness
From our hearts and minds
And from the world.

Amen



Provided by Val Pearmain

From All Souls

Thinking Biblically ... about Justice

'Justice' matters! It goes to the heart of our relationships with each other and with God. Things like duties, rights and responsibilities only exist because we have a dignity as creatures of God made 'in his image'. But what is 'justice', and how can we tell true justice from its counterfeits? Despite the pandemic, questions about justice were much with us in 2020, and 2021 is unlikely to be very different. I hope some of these rather off the cuff reflections might help us think more biblically.

Biblical justice begins with the God of the Bible. Deuteronomy 32.4 describes 'A God of faithfulness without injustice, righteous and upright is he'. Righteousness (Hebrew *sedaqah*) and justice (*mishpat*) are separate terms in scripture but close in meaning: God is righteous in all that he does and is, whilst justice is his righteousness *in action*. Biblical justice cannot contradict God's character nor his Word.

The Bible often pretty much takes it for granted that human beings have a natural sense of what is right and just (Acts 10.35; Romans 2.14-16)! How they respond to this knowledge is another matter! In 'The Abolition of Man', C. S. Lewis uses the Chinese word *Tau* to refer to the natural sense of right and wrong common to all human cultures: things like loyalty to one's family, friends and country, respect for fair and honest dealing and truth-telling, the young's duty to respect their elders – all are widely deemed 'just', all belong to Lewis's *Tau*. Humans reflect (though very imperfectly) the nature of their Creator (Genesis 1.27) so possess many basic intuitions about justice.

Yet God is not confined by merely human ideas about fairness or justice. In the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard, the sheer abundance of God's generosity trumps men's expectations, even at the risk of offending them (Matt 20.1-15)!

In particular, we sense that justice is closely bound up with the idea of giving to every person what is due to them (for good or bad). This is a recurring theme: God is utterly just and impartial in his judgements (Leviticus 19.15; Ephesians 6.9; 1 Peter 1.17) and his people should do likewise. Although the Old Testament idea of 'corporate responsibility' sometimes seems to make unrighteous behaviour the responsibility of whole families or nations (Achan in

Judges 7), later on in history, the emphasis falls much more strongly on personal responsibility (Jeremiah 31.29,30). Faithful Baruch is promised mercy though the whole nation will suffer for generations of disobedience to God (Jeremiah 45); in Matthew 25, people are rewarded or judged for their individual faithfulness (or lack of it). So the natural human sense of 'rightness' is universal, God treats us as responsible individuals and both Testaments build on this. We are to live justly because our God is just.

Scripture tells us more: justice is not for the mob to decide but must be decided by qualified persons appointed to the task (often community elders). It is a matter of 'due process', involving careful weighing of evidence and witness statements; it requires a clear head and is not to be guided by feelings (James 1.19,20; 4.1,2; Eph 4.31). Righteousness and justice are objective, divine realities – never just matters of human opinion or personal outlook, even though there will always be 'hard cases' where the truth seems elusive. Indeed, the U S economist Thomas Sowell reminds us that 'cosmic justice' is beyond the reach of mere humans: there is much in the tangled history of this world that only an all-powerful and all-knowing God could justly resolve. Jesus warns his people to trust such matters to the wisdom and mercy of God (see the Parable of the Tares in the Wheatfield in Matt 13.24-30). Punishment and reward are part of justice (and so must not be decided by the victim), but all people are fallible and all stand in need of forgiveness. Only God knows everything (1 John 3.20): when human beings try to 'do justice', they may only do so if they are humbly conscious that *they could just be wrong*, and that they too often fall short.

Lastly, we may not separate God's righteousness from his truth or his love. Truth, love and righteousness are all part of who God is and we know we're losing our way when we forget any one of these.

Paul Stapleton



Articles

SAINT OF THE MONTH

PANDITA RAMABAI

21st April

I find that one of the most satisfying moments while researching these "Saint" articles comes when I discover a person listed in our lectionary who I have never heard of and yet who turns out to be someone who achieved great things in their lives. I meet some wonderful people that way!

This month's "Saint" fits that description perfectly. I had never come across her name anywhere before and yet I discovered she had been a pioneer of women's liberation in India, she had been worshipped as a goddess by some and had founded a movement for the care and education of the poor (especially women) which has now reached across the world. She even came to the attention of Queen Victoria herself !

I also discovered that Ramabai was the first woman to have been awarded the title "Pandita" (which means "expert") by the University of Calcutta for her skill in knowing and teaching Sanskrit - the language of the Hindu Scriptures. This of course raised questions in my mind - such as "What on earth was a Hindu teacher doing in a list of Christian Saints?" The answer came by following Ramabai's history but this not so easy to do here. She led such a varied and active life that I won't be able to do more than outline a kind of skeleton here and if you want more than that I recommend a number of sites in Google. But one quick tour coming up

Ramabai was born in Karnataka in 1858 and grew up travelling with her family round India following her father's job as an itinerant teacher (from whom she learnt her Sanskrit). It was a life of great poverty and deprivation and her parents and siblings all died young, She married a man from a different caste and had a daughter who stayed with her to the end of her life. Sadly her husband died after only two years of married life together.

Ramabai was a lady of small stature but with an enormous personality and her fame as a teacher and public speaker on women's education went across India.

In 1883 She travelled to England to train as a medical doctor but was rejected on health grounds - she suffered from progressive deafness. But in England Ramabai took the enormous leap of converting from Hinduism to Christianity, She had long been

attracted to the person and teaching of Jesus and she and her daughter were baptised here.

She then travelled to America to visit family and became involved in the women's movement there. Two years later she returned to India - this time as a Christian missionary. She resumed her work for the freedom and education of women there and set up a number of schools and settlements to house the destitute and poor - offering them new hope in life.

Ramabai's daughter died in 1921 and she herself died a year later. She left an inheritance of schools and mission centres which are still active in India and a movement which works to spread her principles of care to the corners of the world - just as that wonderful woman would have wanted.

Brian Pearmain

Eco top tips

April - Money Magic

1. Spend less money! Just about every pound we spend has environmental costs (except investing in environmental projects). So with wealth comes more responsibility.
2. Donate to charities that alleviate the effects of climate change, as well as being compassionate to our local, global and generational neighbours it can save you 500kg CO₂e a year.
3. Move your bank account to an ethical bank who invests your money in low carbon, ethical, environmental projects, such as the Triodos Bank. Ethical Consumer (like *Which?*) provide independent advice www.ethicalconsumer.org
4. Move your pension, if you can, to an ethical environmental provider who is not investing your money in fossil fuels. Ethical Consumer (like *Which?*) provide independent advice www.ethicalconsumer.org

Jemima Parker, Diocesan Environment Officer



The Birds in your Garden – Mike Gray

Goldfinch numbers in our gardens have increased some 60-fold over the last 30 or so years, most likely due to our spending a small fortune putting out oil-rich seeds such as nyger and sunflower. At this time of year there are flocks of anything up to a few dozen roaming around looking for food, and if you cock an ear, they make a lovely twittering sound as they chat to each other.

I intended penning (typing?) a general article about them but became side-tracked when I came across so many names for them, as well as several collective nouns for flocks: so, I decided that I'd share my findings!

The best-known collective noun for flocks of Goldfinches is 'charm'. The first article I read suggested that this may be linked to the use of the term for the blended voices of a choir – perhaps alluding to the gentle jingling calls and Goldfinches' constant 'tswitt-witt-witt' - ing. The second suggested that it is related to the Latin word 'carmen' meaning 'magic song or spell'. Yet another suggested that charm derives from the old English *c'irm*, describing the birds' twittering song' or 'mingled tinkling', which certainly captures the aural effect created by a flock of Goldfinches - though most certainly not their personalities. If you've watched them on a feeder for a while, you'll have seen how aggressive they can be to each other, as well as to other species

I then came across a couple more collective nouns: "a drum of Goldfinches", and "a troubling of Goldfinches". The latter I can well understand!

The Anglo Saxon name for the Goldfinch was 'thistle-tweaker', underlining their liking of teasel and thistle seeds. The male is the only UK bird able to extract teasel seeds from their narrow seed heads: females find this difficult because their bills, while narrow, are not quite as long so they favour thistle seeds.

The next name to come up was Redcap.

*The redcap is a painted bird
and beautiful its feathers are;
In early spring its voice is heard
While searching thistles brown and bare...*
(From 'Redcap', by John Clare)

At first glance, this name might arise simply from the bird's tell-tale red mask, but a Redcap is also a malevolent, murderous goblin

found in Border folklore. He is said to inhabit ruined castles, especially those that were the scenes of tyranny or wicked deeds and is known for soaking his cap in the blood of his victim

Other names too, arise from this red mask: the Irish name for the Goldfinch is *lasair choille*, which translates as 'bright flame of the forest'. Elsewhere, it was known as the 'proud tailor', "because his plumage is varied like a suit of clothes made out of remnants of different colours, such as a tailor might be supposed to wear". Similarly, "tailor-birds" because the white tips to their feathers look like stitches. Add on "seven-coloured Linnet".....

Goldfinches were for many years valued too for their song, as well as their colourful plumage, and were caught and caged by 19th century bird trappers until they were almost extinct. Indeed, the French name for a bird-trap, *chardonneret*, now used instead to catch birds for ringing, comes from the French word for thistle, chardon.

By any name, they are a delight to have around, both visually and audially.

If you would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website (www.bto.org/gbw): **Mike Gray** or gbwmike@gmail.com



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Readings



Maundy Thursday (1st April)

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

Good Friday (2nd April)

Isaiah 52:13- end of 53
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1 - end of 19

Easter morning vigil (4th April)

Genesis 1:1, 2, 4a
Exodus 14:10-end, 15:20,
21
Ezekiel 37:1-14
Romans 6:3-11
Mark 16:1-8

Easter Day (4th April)

Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18

April 11th

Acts 4:32-35
John 20:19-end

April 18th

Acts 3:12-19
Luke 24:36b-48

April 25th

Acts 4:5-12
John 10:11-18



From the Registers

Funerals:

26/02/2021 – Carol Gumbs
19/03/2021 – Josephine Deane



Transport

Would you like to come to Church services when they start up again but cannot get there by yourself? Please let us know and we will try to come up with a way of getting you here to worship with us.

Community Kitchen

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in" (Matthew 25:35)

Started in July 2014, The Community Kitchen is now being supported by Black Health Initiative and will provide 2 hot meals per week on Wednesdays and Fridays. If you would like to volunteer packing the takeaway bags or distributing the bags by car as by the new arrangements, please contact Fr Nicholas on 0113 262 4271.



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