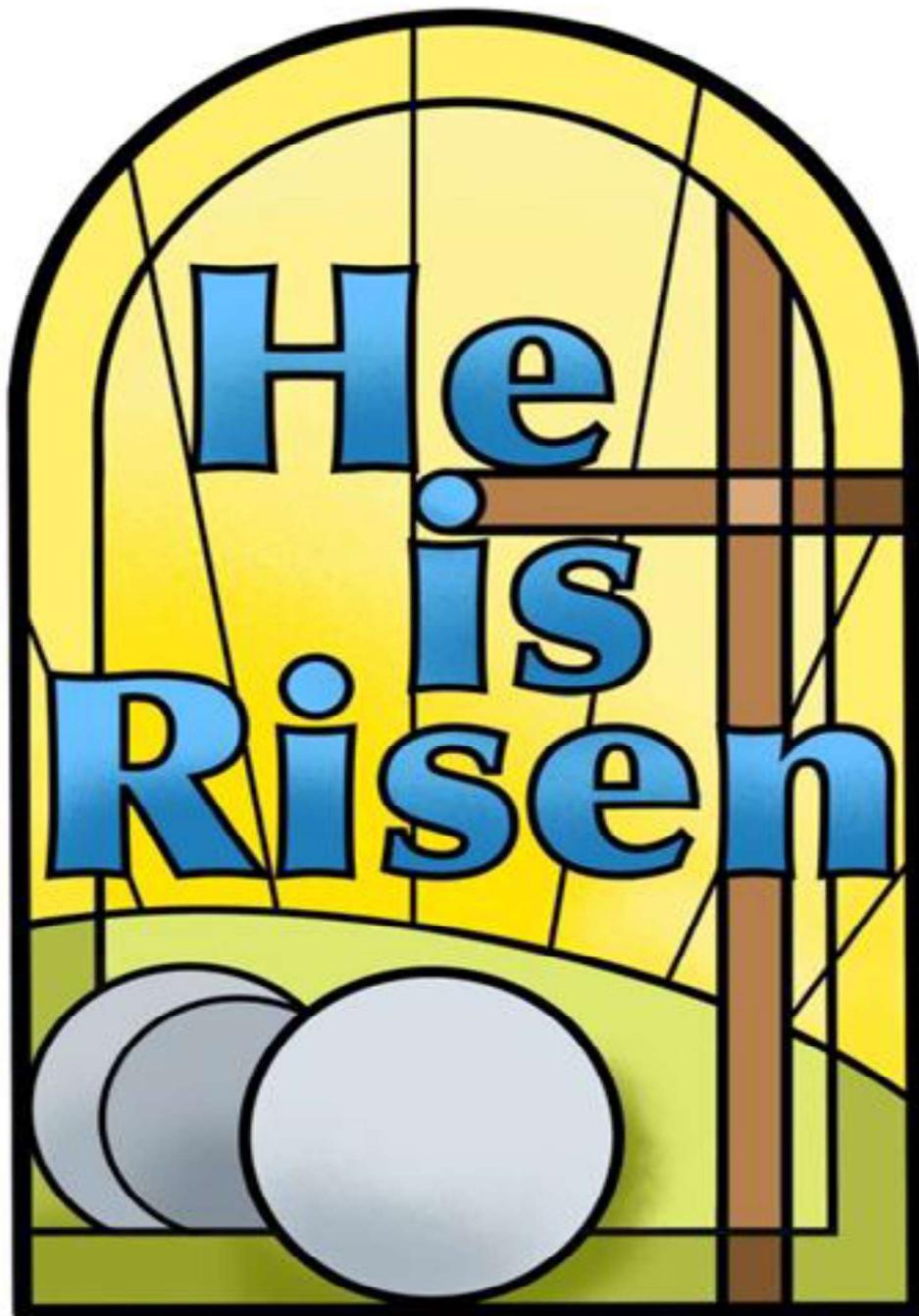


St JOHN'S CHURCH WAKEFIELD

Sharing Christ in the Community



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**Parish
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April
2026**



We have a 10.00am service of Holy Communion each Sunday

We provide hand gel as you come into church and at the entrance to the prayer chapel.

There are candle, shell and leaf prayer stations in the side chapel.

At the communion we offer bread and wine. If you do not wish to use the common cup you may just partake of the bread.

Refreshments are available after the service.

On the 4th Sunday of the month we offer prayer for healing with the laying on of hands, in the side chapel.

The 10.00am service is live streamed and available from 10am onwards on the St John's YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDyIQ-Vbrv-5bikSlpgV2QQ> Just click on the link and select the service for today from the range of videos on the channel.

If you are on email you can receive the weekly newsletter this way. Please let Stephanie know if you would like this.

Tea-Time Service

We also have a service at 4.00pm on the third Sunday. **Everyone is welcome.** The service is very relaxed with songs, activities, readings and prayers.

It is for everyone: families of all kinds, children, adults, young and old. Why not come along? Drinks and biscuits (and sometimes cake!) will be available before the service.

A Sabbatical Journey

Those of you who have been worshipping at St John's for more than eight years will remember that, in 2018, the diocese gave me a 'sabbatical'. This was a period of three months when I was away from the parish and took time out to study and pray and go on retreat.

This year I have been given the opportunity for another sabbatical from 11th May until the end of August. I am very grateful for the gift of some time to be refreshed, physically and spiritually. The word 'sabbatical' comes, of course, from the word 'sabbath' and I am so thankful to be given not just a 'sabbath day' but a 'season of sabbath'.

While I am away from St John's, the staff team – Paul, Brian and Cath – will lead the Sunday services with the support of clergy from the diocese. The usual midweek activities for children and young people and the Wednesday drop-in will continue as usual.

During my sabbatical I will do a week's theological study at Sarum College in Salisbury. The course is called 'Texts and the Christian Tradition.' We look at a Bible passage through different lenses and seek how it can speak into life today.

I then hope to go on a ten-day guided retreat in Wales. On this retreat I will be deepening my relationship with God through Ignatian prayer. Ignatian prayer involves reading passages from the Bible, such as Jesus at the house of Mary and Martha, or Jesus healing blind Bartimaeus, and then entering into the scene imaginatively.

On my last sabbatical I found this type of prayer life-giving. It's something we can explore at St John's when I get back, if you are interested in learning more about it.

I am halfway through a two-year diocesan programme to help me accompany individuals on their spiritual journey. I am enjoying the course, but it is hard to find time for the background reading with all that goes on at St John's! I look forward to some extended time during my sabbatical to read more for the course and to write an assignment!

In the latter part of the sabbatical, I plan to spend a week in Cambridge on a biblical studies summer school, with a chance to brush up my New Testament Greek!

I trust that the courses, the retreat and the study will not just nourish me, but will benefit everyone at St John's, too. When I returned from my last sabbatical, members of the congregation could see that I was spiritually refreshed. I trust that my time of prayer and study will overflow into my preaching and teaching and other aspects of my ministry when I get back.

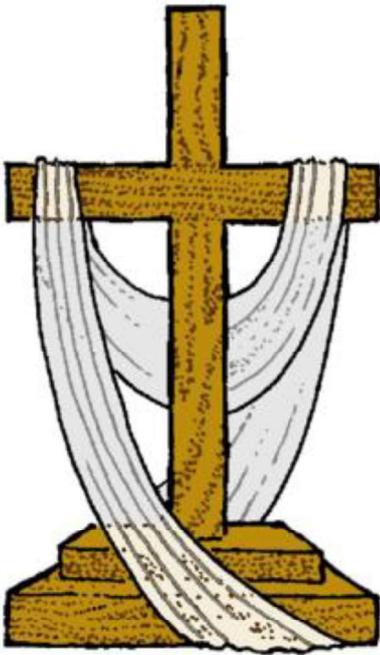
I am very grateful to all those who will take on extra responsibilities while I am away from the parish. I know that you will all support the Staff Team and the Churchwardens during this time.

In the meantime, I look forward to celebrating Holy Week and Easter at St John's! May God bless you this Easter.

Stephanie

DIARY DATES for APRIL 2026

- Wed 1 April 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's
7.00pm Reflective evening service
- Thurs 2 **Maundy Thursday**
7.00pm Holy Communion
- Friday.3 **Good Friday**
9.45am Walk of Witness from the Cathedral
10.30am United Service at the Cathedral
7.00pm Reflective evening service at St John's
- Sunday 5 Easter Sunday**
6.15am Dawn Service
10.00am Holy Communion for Easter
- Mon 6 Bank Holiday so NO Morning Prayer via Zoom
- Wed 8 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's
- Sunday 12 Easter 2**
10.00am Holy Communion & Baptism
- Mon. 13 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom
- Wed 15 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's
1.30-2.45pm Acts for Everyone study group
- Fri. 17 9.00am Toddler & Baby group
- Sunday 19 Easter 3**
10.00am Holy Communion
4.00pm Tea-Time Service
- Mon. 20 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom
- Wed.22 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's.
- Fri. 24 9.00am Toddler & Baby group
- Sunday 26 Easter 4**
10.00am Café Church Teaching Communion
- Mon 27 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom
- Wed 29 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's.
- Fri. 1 May 9.00am Toddler & Baby group
- Sunday 3 May` Easter 5**
10.00am Holy Communion, followed by a
Bring & Share lunch to say Goodbye to Megan



The Cross of Jesus

The cross is a picture of violence, yet the key to peace;

a picture of suffering, yet the key to healing;

a picture of death, yet the key to life;

a picture of utter weakness, yet the key to power;

a picture of capital punishment, yet the key to mercy and forgiveness;

a picture of vicious hatred, yet the key to love;

a picture of supreme shame, yet the Christian's supreme boast.

The cross really is the key to everything! Although a horrifying instrument of torture and death, it is also a symbol of God's love and peace. On the cross Jesus died to deal with the problem of our sin and defeat the powers of death and evil. He identified with our sufferings and set us an example of self-sacrificial love.

As Peter writes, *'He himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by His wounds you have been healed'* (1Peter 2:24). Jesus died in our place on the cross and took away our guilt, to pay the full penalty for our sin. Access to God's presence is now open to all, symbolised by the Temple curtain being torn in two from top to bottom. The barrier between us and God was torn down in order *'to bring us to God'* (1 Peter 3:18).

The idea of substitution lies at the heart of understanding what Jesus did on the cross: *'For the essence of sin is man substituting himself for God, while the essence of salvation is God substituting Himself for man. Man asserts himself against God and puts himself where only God deserves to be; God sacrifices Himself for man and puts Himself where only man deserves to be.'* (John Stott).

Holy Week Services at St. John's

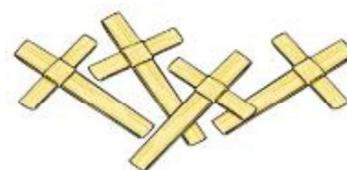


Sunday 29

10.00am

Palm Sunday

Holy Communion with a dramatized presentation of the Gospel reading



Mon 30 / Tues. 31 / Wed 1 April

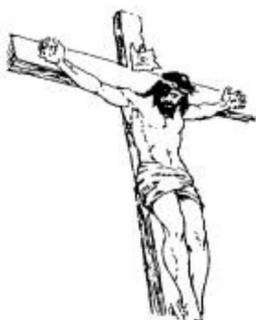
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Thurs. 2

7.00pm

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion



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Good Friday

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10.30am

7.00pm

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United service at the Cathedral

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Sunday 5

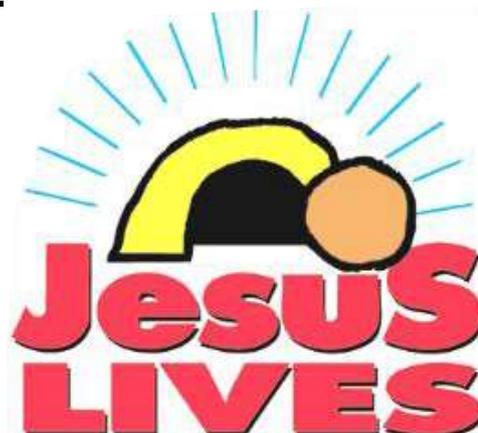
6.15am

10.00am

Easter Day

Dawn Service

Holy Communion for Easter





*In need of company or
conversation?*

*Lonely, or just at a
loose end?*

Wanting some warm quiet space?

Each Wednesday St John's is open 11.00am – 1.00pm

Anyone is welcome to 'drop-in' for a cup of coffee or tea.

There will be people to chat to, if you want some company.

We can offer some local information, if needed.

You can see the inside of this lovely Georgian church, if
you've not been in before.

There is space for quiet, if that is what you need.

You might just want a warm space to eat your lunch.

Do come along, we'd love to meet you.



'JJs' (St John's Juniors)
Sundays at 10.00am

*Every Sunday we provide activities for children at
the back of church - colouring, crafts etc.*

*When possible we meet in the Samaritan Room
for story, prayer and activities.*

Learning and growing in faith.

All children 4-11 years old are welcome.

**Further details from Cath Fox on
cath.s.fox@outlook.com**

... **Why Jesus' Facial Cloth Was Folded**

The Gospel of John (20:7) tells us that the napkin, placed over the face of Jesus in the tomb, was not thrown aside like the other grave clothes but was neatly folded and placed at the head of that stony coffin.

Early Sunday morning, when Mary Magdalene came to the tomb, she found the stone rolled away from the entrance. She ran to Simon Peter and John and said, 'They've taken the Lord's body, and I don't know where they have put him!'

Peter and John ran to the tomb to see. John got there first. He stooped, looked in and saw the linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in. Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, while the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying to the side (John 20: 1-7).

Is that important? Absolutely!

Is it really significant? Yes!

To understand the significance of the folded napkin, you have to understand a Hebrew tradition of that time. Every Jew knew this tradition about the Master and the Servant. When the servant set the dinner table for the master, he made sure it was exactly how the master wanted it. During the meal the servant would wait, just out of sight, until the master had finished eating. The servant would not dare touch that table until the master was finished.

Now if the master was done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers and mouth with that napkin and toss it on to the table. The servant would then know to clear the table, for in those days, the crumpled napkin meant, 'I'm done.' But if the master got up from the table, and folded his napkin, and laid it beside his plate, the servant knew that the folded napkin meant 'I'm not finished yet.'

The folded napkin in the tomb meant 'I'm coming back!'

Source unknown



“Open Doors”, the charity which I support, has been standing with persecuted Christians for 70 years. There are thousands, if not millions, of individuals, families and communities whose lives have been transformed by the help and encouragement of Open Doors partners. Every year in February they produce the World Watch List: a unique, reliable and comprehensive ranking of the countries where the persecution of Christians is the most extreme. I try to read just one story per day and then pray for those whose story I have read. It is a challenging read but well worth it.

This month I am taking you to China. Da Wei is a man after my own heart, passionate about teaching children and young people about Jesus. In China everyone entering the church is watched by remote control cameras. Children under 18 are not allowed to attend Church. Da Wei founded ‘Voyagers’, an organisation providing education and discipleship for children, especially those from challenging backgrounds. It was unlawful, and official surveillance made it very difficult. He was often arrested and questioned. His meeting place was closed down. But as soon as he was released he looked for another place to meet with the children. He was closed down again and again. He was nearly giving up when help came from Open Doors. They supported Da Wei and provided a new venue where the children can meet, learn about Jesus and worship. The group is growing and they now need more leaders!

Please pray for Da Wei, for his helpers and for all the children now learning about Jesus, because of his courage and determination. And pray too for Open Doors workers all over the world, who are supporting persecuted Christian in so many ways.

I have a few copies of this year’s list, if you would like to have one, and there are booklets for children too. Please ask me.

Margaret Kirkham

The Lord's Prayer

Tuesday 28th April 2026

An Evening of Teaching, Prayer, and
Conversation with Stephen Cottrell,
Archbishop of York

Evening Schedule:

18:00: Tea and coffee

18:30: Worship,
followed by a talk
and time for
conversation

20:15: Close

All are warmly welcome
No booking required



 Wakefield
Cathedral



Easter Dawn

Creation holds collective breath
In darkness, cold and deep;
Has hope and joy been claimed by death?
Has love been laid to sleep?

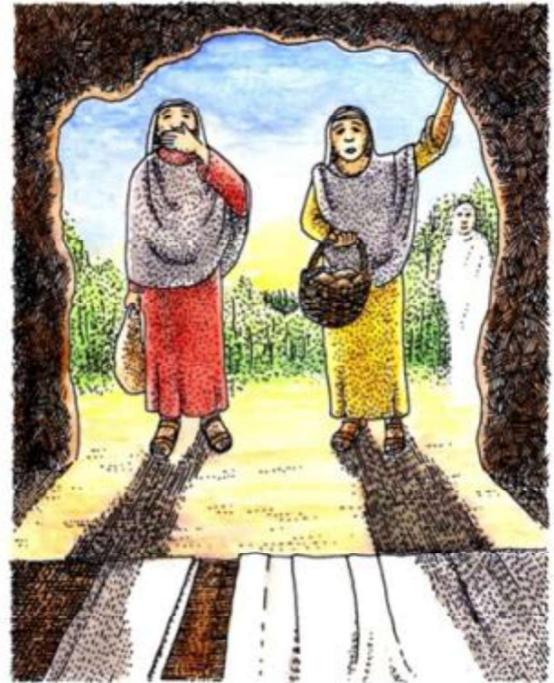
The solid seal, the heavy stone
The chill of Friday's gloom
Leave faith to flicker all alone
Beside a borrowed tomb.

But, as the night begins to fray
The soldiers faint with fright!
An angel rolls the stone away
At dawn's first glint of light.

No linen shroud can hold Him now
The grave has lost its prize,
No thorns are seen upon His brow
As Love and Triumph rise!

Let hallelujahs wake the earth!
Let bell-sound rend the skies!
For Christ has won our second birth
By His triumphant rise!

The empty tomb, the open door
Proclaim the darkness gone;
Death was defeated evermore
On Easter's glorious dawn!



Nigel Beeton

Heads bowed in prayer, the congregation at our Church listened in complete silence to the Minister as he said, "Now let us pray in the words that Jesus taught us." A little girl's voice could be heard throughout the hushed congregation as she said, "Daddy, I didn't know Jesus had a tortoise."

Florida Court Sets Atheist Holy Day

In Florida, an atheist hired a lawyer to bring a discrimination case against Christians, Jews and observances of their holy days. The argument was that it was unfair that atheists had no such recognized days.

The case was brought before a judge. After listening to the passionate presentation by the lawyer, the judge banged his gavel declaring "Case dismissed!" The lawyer immediately stood, objecting to the Ruling.

"Your honour, how can you possibly dismiss this case? The Christians have Christmas, Easter and others. The Jews have Passover, Yom Kippur and Hanukkah, yet my client and all other atheists have no such holidays."

The judge leaned forward in his chair saying, "But you do. Your client, counsel, is woefully ignorant."

The lawyer said, "Your Honour, we are unaware of any special observance or holiday for atheists."

The judge said, "The calendar says April 1st is April Fools' Day. Psalm 14:1 states, 'The fool says in his heart, there is no God.' Thus, it is the opinion of this court, that if your client says there is no God, then he is a fool. Therefore, April 1st is his day. Court is adjourned.

Don't you love a Judge that knows his scripture!

A vicar was relaxing on the sofa after a very busy day when he heard his wife's voice from the kitchen:

"What would you like for dinner, my love, chicken, beef or lamb?"

He replied, "Thank you, darling. I think I'll have chicken."

She called back, "You're having a peanut butter sandwich; I was talking to the dog!"

The Passion Flower

The passion flower is a native of southern Brazil and first flowered in England in 1868.

The name Passion Flower was given by the first Spanish friars and missionaries to tropical America, who were impressed by the symbolism they saw in the flowers. It is a silent witness to the heart of the Christian faith.

Receptacle = The Pillar of the Cross



Calyx = Christ's Halo

Style = The Three Nails

Anthers = The Five Wounds

Filaments of the Corona = The Crown of Thorns

The variety of this fascinating flower most often seen in the UK is *Passiflora caerulea*, the hardiest of the species. It can be grown successfully against a sheltered wall, especially in the south and west. Climbing

by means of tendrils, it may be cut back hard if it is too vigorous: it can grow to 15 feet or more, but may succumb to a hard winter. It flowers in mid-summer and early autumn. Propagation is by seed, or summer cuttings of young growth.

There are two types of people; those who enter a room and say, "Well, here I am," and those who enter and say, "Ah, there you are!"



FUNERAL

*We commit to the
Lord's eternal care*

13 March **Nicholas Peter Shields** at St John's,
followed by cremation at Wakefield Crematorium

BURIAL OF ASHES

in St. John's Churchyard

17 March **Peter Webster**

21 March **Pat Ward**



Your Easter chocolate can be good for you

It all began in ancient Peru over 5,000 years ago. They liked to sip cacao, the purest form of chocolate. It took many centuries to find its way to Europe, but when it did arrive, it was a big hit.

Now, with sugar added to it, chocolate is one of the most

popular treats we know. In the UK we munch our way through about 4.5kg of it, per person, per year.

Dark chocolate is soaring in popularity. If it is of good quality, it will have less sugar and more beneficial plant compounds such as polyphenols and flavanoids, which can help protect your brain, your heart and your gut from inflammation, among other things.

St John's School Page

Class 1 have been learning about Creation. They have reflected on how they think people should live in the wonderful world that God made.



Put rubbish in the bin
Walter



Be kind and helpful to other people and animals.

I feed the birds in winter. *Abigail*

Be loving and kind
Benjamin



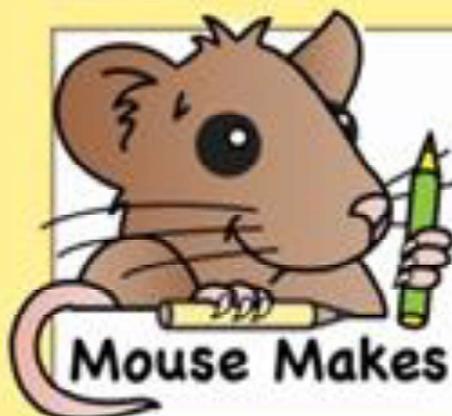
Donate to charity
Isabelle



Look after our bodies and try to be healthy
Ali

Don't throw litter in the sea.
Walk instead of using the car.
Noah



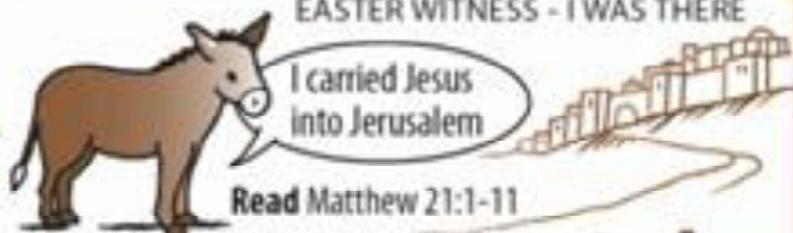


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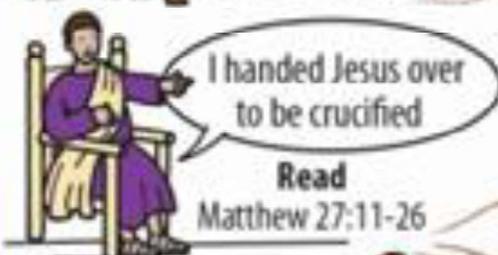


EASTER WITNESS - I WAS THERE



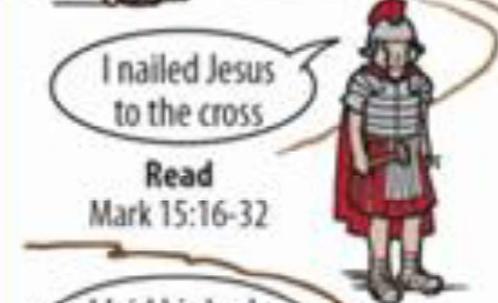
I carried Jesus into Jerusalem

Read Matthew 21:1-11



I handed Jesus over to be crucified

Read Matthew 27:11-26



I nailed Jesus to the cross

Read Mark 15:16-32



We watched Jesus die

Read Mark 15:33-41



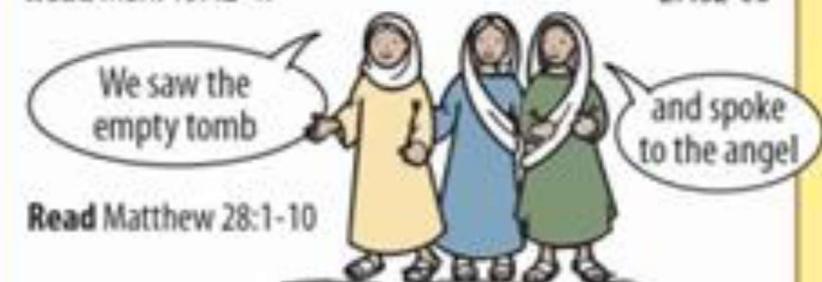
I laid his body in my tomb

Read Mark 15:42-47



I guarded the tomb

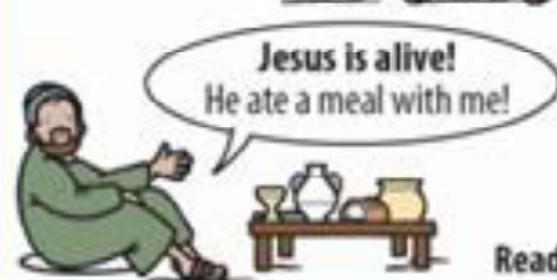
Read Matthew 27:62-66



We saw the empty tomb

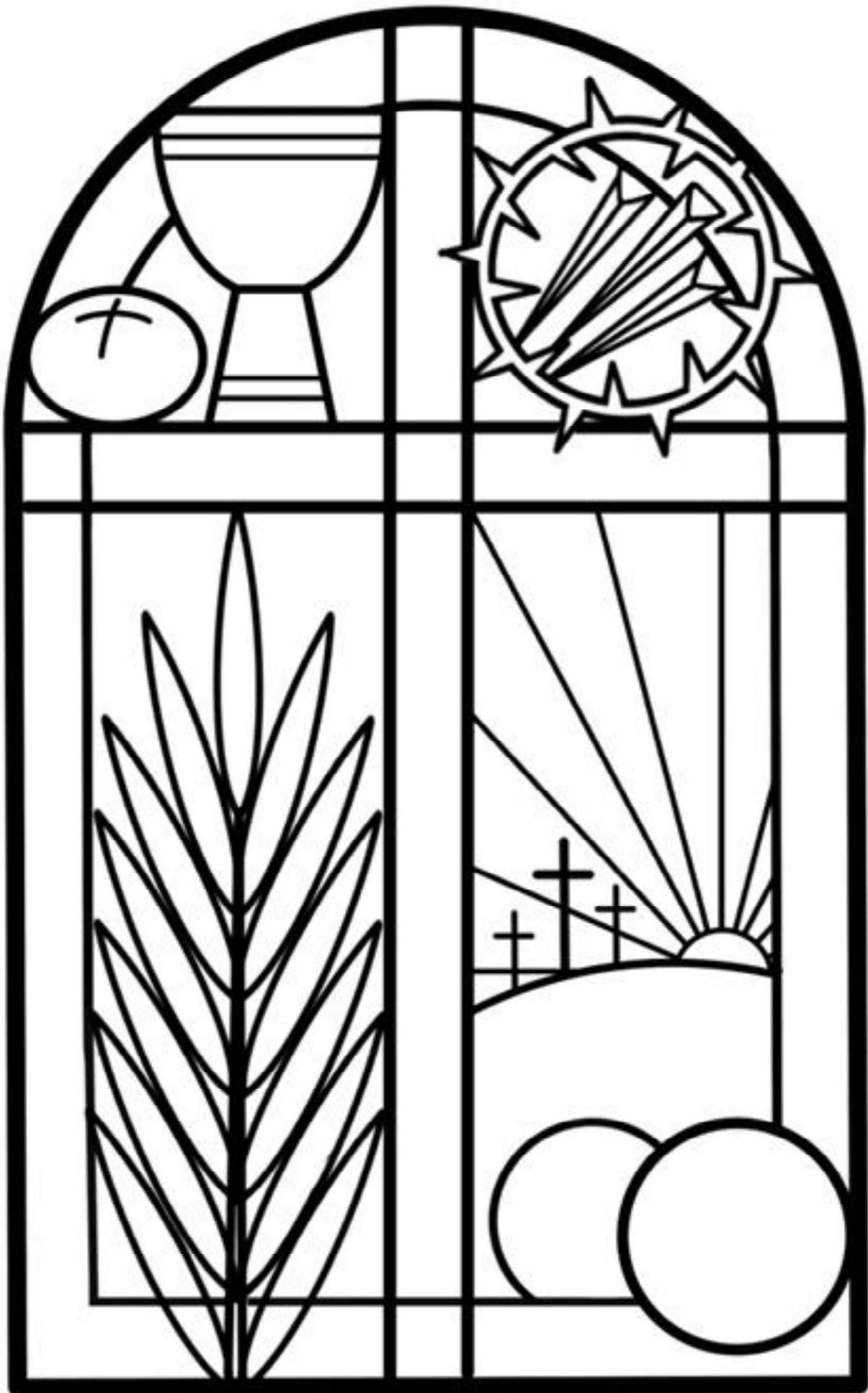
Read Matthew 28:1-10

and spoke to the angel



Jesus is alive!
He ate a meal with me!

Read Luke 24:13-35



Is this the real meaning of “attitude”?

After we waited patiently in the lobby of the nursing home, my friend, a widower who was almost blind, smiled when told his room was ready. As we headed along the corridor I described the place. We had almost reached the room when he said, "I love it," with great enthusiasm. "But you haven't seen the room yet," I replied. "That doesn't have anything to do with it," he said. "Happiness is something you decide on ahead of time. Whether I like my room or not doesn't depend on how the furniture is arranged. It's how I arrange my mind. I have already decided to love it. Each morning when I wake up I have a choice; I can spend the day in bed recounting the difficulty I have with the parts of my body that no longer work, or get out of bed and be thankful for the ones that do. Each day is a gift, and as long as my eyes can open, I'll focus on the new day and all the happy memories I've stored away - just for this time in my life."

God of mission,
You give fresh life to St John's
Send your Holy Spirit to give
 vision to our planning,
 wisdom to our activities,
 and power to our witness,
that we may grow
 in love and commitment to you
 in number of disciples
 and in loving service to our neighbours
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen

The Big Bash!



JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONE STORY WAS ABOUT A RICH MAN WHO DECIDED TO HAVE A PARTY

HE SENT OUT LOTS OF INVITATIONS



OH!
NO!!

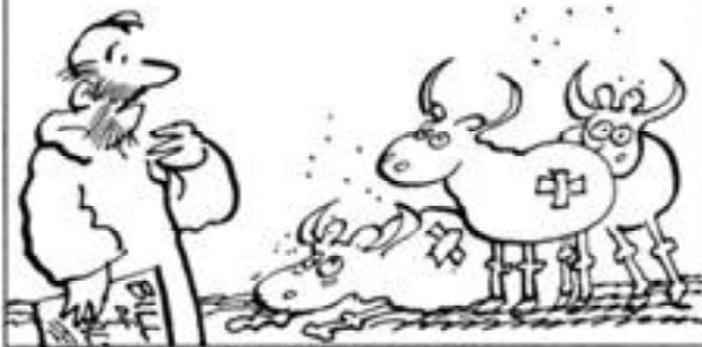


BUT PEOPLE STARTED MAKING EXCUSES

ONE MAN SAID HE HAD BOUGHT A FIELD, BUT NEEDED TO MEASURE IT



ANOTHER MAN SAID HE NEEDED TO TEST DRIVE THE OXEN HE HAS JUST PAID FOR



ANOTHER MAN SAID HE HAD JUST GOT MARRIED - AND HIS WIFE WOULDN'T LET HIM OUT!

SO THE RICH MAN INVITED ALL THE POOR AND NEEDY INSTEAD.



YES - I CAN COME TO YOUR PARTY

THE PARABLE MEANS WE SHOULDN'T MAKE EXCUSES FOR NOT FOLLOWING JESUS.

Community Use of St John's Church

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Our accessible toilet also provides baby change facilities.

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Comfortable chairs in the nave offer flexible seating for up to 200 people. There is a dais, a keyboard and a sound system. Cost is £30 an hour. WiFi, sound system, computer projection equipment, electric piano and organ can be included, subject to an additional charge, on request



The Samaritan Room has space for up to 15 people. It costs £15 an hour.

Our fully equipped

kitchen opens onto a café area with 6 tables + 24 chairs. The tables can be removed to make a larger, more flexible, meeting space. The café



area costs £18 an hour, including the kitchen. The kitchen costs £15 per session (half day or evening) when hiring the nave or Samaritan room.



Steward £10 per hour (negotiable for regular bookings)

The Seven Deadly Sins: Envy

'A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones.' (Proverbs 14:30).

This month we are looking at the Deadly Sin of *envy*. As a consuming desire to have what others have got, it's a major source of unhappiness.

It is different from jealousy: *'Envy is wanting something that someone else has. Jealousy is the fear of losing something you already have to someone else'* (Brene Brown). We can envy things like wealth, looks and, possessions, resulting in resentment, bitterness and anger. The pursuit of possessing what others have will always leave us empty and dissatisfied, as the use of social media demonstrates.

How do we overcome envy in our lives?

Gratitude: 'Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus'. (1 Thessalonians 5:18). A grateful heart has no room for envy, when we focus on God's love for us and what He has given us, rather than looking at others' gifts and opportunities. God has created us uniquely to be the people we are and different from others. As a result, we are better able to rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep.

Trust: 'And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.' (2 Corinthians 9:8). One of the chief causes of envy is FOMO: Fear of Missing Out! We can trust that God knows everything that we need and so we don't need to worry about missing out. By entrusting our lives to Him, we can confidently depend on God meeting all our needs.

Is God truly enough for me? *'The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.'* (Psalm 23:1).

Canon Paul Hardingham

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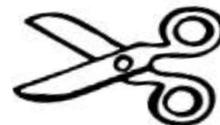
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Readings at the 10.00am Communion Service

Date	Day	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
5 Apr.	Easter Day	Acts 10:34-43	John 20:1-18
12 Apr.	Easter 2 + baptism	Acts 2:14a,22-32	John 20:19-end
19 Apr.	Easter 3	Acts 2:14a, 36-41	Luke 24:13-35
26 Apr.	Easter 4 Café Church	Acts 2:42-end	John 10:1-10
3 May	Easter 5	Acts 7:55-end	John 14:1-14

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Magazine Contributions

The Editor is always pleased to receive news of events, to come or which have taken place; reports of church activities; original articles, stories, etc. We cannot guarantee that they will be included, and they may be edited before inclusion.

**Please send contributions for the
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Mission Statement

St John's is here to be a living, loving and serving witness to Christ; worshipping, learning and growing in our faith together, reaching out to share God's love in the community and bringing His Word to all

PARISH ACTIVITIES / ORGANISATIONS

Parish Morning Prayer Mondays at 9.30am on Zoom
A Psalm, a Bible reading and some prayers. All welcome.
The Zoom link to join in is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89866690323?wd=NHZXaEc2TkJEcFBXbmtPE5WTEpadz09>

Church Drop-In 11.00am—1.00pm Wednesday
Everyone is welcome to drop in for tea/coffee, a chat etc.

Toddler & Baby Playgroup 9.00-11.30am Friday in church
(during term time)
A time for babies, toddlers and their carers to play and to share.

Church Choir Practice after the 10.00am service
Join us in helping to lead Sunday worship

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Purposeful activity in a structured, fun environment.

25th Wakefield Scout Group For boys and girls, held in the Scout Hut by St. John's Parish Centre.

Details: Group Scout Leader Simon Daley, 07814

413401 <https://www.facebook.com/25thstjohnsscouts>

Rainbows

To register an interest, visit www.girlguiding.org.uk & click on join

Rainbows contact Ann Coulson – 07932394020

Sunday Services at St John's

EVERY SUNDAY

10.00am Parish Communion

There will be candle, shell and leaf prayer stations available in the side chapel.

10.00am St John's Juniors - 'JJs' - meet for story, prayer and activities in the Samaritan Room.

All 4-11 year-olds welcome. (Term time only)

We have toys and books in the café area, for younger ones, but parents are asked to supervise them at all times.

3rd SUNDAY EACH MONTH (usually)

4.00pm Tea-Time Service

For everyone: families of all shapes & sizes, singles, children, adults, young and old.

A relaxed service, with songs, activities, readings and prayers, beginning with refreshments.

We have a crèche area for the service.

4th SUNDAY EACH MONTH

In the side chapel, during communion, we offer prayer for healing, with the laying on of hands.

Everyone, of any age, is welcome at all our services.

The entrance door to the church is on the city centre / High School side of St John's Square. There is a ramp access for wheelchairs and pushchairs up to this door.

There is a fully accessible toilet at the church, and a baby-change facility.

There is an induction loop for those who use a hearing aid.

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