

LIGHT *At The* DOOR

Welcome to the Weekly Newsletter for The Bain Valley & Woodhall Spa Group of Churches

Passiontide begins

Services on 22nd March

9.15am Eucharist Langton Pam

9.30am Eucharist Roughton Sall

11am Eucharist Woodhall Spa Sall

Roughton Knit and Natter

has got off to a great start. Ann Pickup reports that 11 knitters turned up last week to begin knitting or crocheting squares for the pew runners in Roughton, and there was a great deal of nattering and clicking of needles kindly fortified by Jean with cups of tea and baking! So I think a good afternoon was had by all, both socially and productively!

We are meeting again on 15th April at 2.00 pm at again at 74 Homcastle Road Roughton Moor, when we hope to have a lot of "squares" ready to join together. We would still welcome any donations of wool.

For any knitters out there - who may like to knit squares we are casting on 50 stitches on 5/6mm needles and knitting a square. Approx. 5 squares make one runner, or 10 if we back it. Finished pew runners will measure approx 10 inches wide x 4 feet long. Maureen is on her second crocheted one and she has done a fantastic job. Well done Maureen and all the knitters who have begun this task. Thank you Ann for keeping us all in the loop and now....back to the needles!!!



Easter Lillies
in memory of your
loved ones for
Easter Day

Tina in Bain Valley is taking orders for Easter Lillies for a donation to church funds. Please contact her for details on 07718884641

Collect for Passiontide

*Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection
of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.*



Benefice Lent Course

Final Week thinking about
what Christ did on the Cross

This WEDNESDAY

Afternoon at the Rectory
from 2pm for about an hour
Prayer and Reflection on
Salvation,
Is the cross a symbol of Love?

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

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The Readings Sunday 22nd March

Ezekiel 37.1-14 The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.' So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

Romans 8.6-11 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason, the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

John 11.1-45 Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.'

Community Events in Bucknall Village Hall in March

Men's Shed on 25th 6.30-9pm

Quiz 20th Doors Open 6.30pm

Games Night 26th March 7-9pm

Community Hub

Monday and Wednesday Mornings

Refreshments Good Conversation and a Book Swap Service

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Woodhall Spa in Bloom

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God's Creation is worthy of love and care

Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.' When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.' When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Services in Holy Week in Woodhall Spa and Bain Valley

Monday 30th March

6pm St Margaret's Bucknall Stations of The Cross - Wardens and Team

Tuesday 31st March 11am

Chrism Service Lincoln Cathedral

Wednesday 1st April

9.30am Holy Wednesday Eucharist St Peter's Woodhall Spa - Revd Sall

MAUNDY THURSDAY 2nd April

Foot Washing and Last Supper Eucharist- Revd Sall

7pm St Peter's Woodhall Spa

GOOD FRIDAY

Veneration of The Cross and Good Friday Eucharist - Revd Sall

2pm St Peter's Woodhall Spa

6pm Holy Trinity Tattershall Stations of The Cross - Sheila and Team

EASTER SUNDAY

9.15am Eucharist St Margaret's Langton Revd Pam

9.30am Eucharist Holy Trinity Tattershall Revd Barbara

9.30am Eucharist All Saints Horsington Sall

11am Eucharist St Peter's Woodhall Spa Sall

3pm Eucharist St Leonard's Kirkstead Sall

Holy Saturday - Church Preparation for Easter Sunday