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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to our Service this morning. Please find below the Notices for the week, with new and amended ones underlined.

The songs for this morning's All-age Service can be found on the separate Order and on the overhead screen.

Sunday, 19th April	10.00am	All Age Worship
	10.00am	Holy Communion
Tuesday, 21st April	11.00am	Funeral of Paul and Jane Hassall
	2.30pm	Greetham's APCM
Wednesday 22nd April	9.30am	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	Confirmation Group meet
Thursday 23rd April	2.30pm	Friends' meeting
	6.00pm	Choir Practice
	7.30pm	Cornerstone meeting
Friday 24th April	7.00pm	Banovallum Brass concert
Saturday 25th April	10.00am	Coffee in Church

ANNUAL MEETING

This year's Annual Town Church Meeting will take place after the morning service next Sunday, 26th April. This is an opportunity for new people to be elected onto the Council, so please prayerfully consider if you would like to put yourself forward. All are welcome.

BISHOP JEAN'S WELCOME

The Rt. Rev. Jean Burgess, the new Bishop of Grimsby, will be formally welcomed into the diocese at a service in Lincoln Cathedral next Sunday, 26th April at 3.45pm. We are all warmly invited to attend the service and show support for our new Bishop.

ST. MARY'S 'OPEN DAY'

We look forward to hosting an 'Open Day' to showcase the activities of St. Mary's to the wider community on Saturday, 2nd May from 10.00 – 3.00pm. We are looking for volunteers to help serve refreshments, bake cakes and offer a welcome to visitors on the day. If you are able to help in any of these ways, please add your name to the lists at the back of the Church. Thank you.

HIGH TOYNTON

High Toynton are looking forward to celebrating the restoration of their Church building following the collapse of the tower in January 2020 on Sunday, 10th May. The day will start with a Rogation walk around the village, followed by a Shared Lunch, leading to the re-dedication service at 3.00pm led by the Rt. Rev. Jean Burgess, the Bishop of Grimsby. All are welcome to join for this special day.

WEST LINDSEY OPEN CHURCHES FESTIVAL

This year's West Lindsey Open Churches Festival takes place over the weekends of the 9th - 10th and then the 16th - 17th May.

Details about all the fascinating Churches taking part over the two weekends can be found on the website: www.churchesfestival.info

Collect Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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. Amen.

Acts 2, 14a, 36 - 41 p. 127 **1 Peter 1, 17 - 23 p. 249**

Luke 24, 13 - 35 Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 26th April	10.00am	Holy Communion and Prayer for Healing
	11.30am	Annual Town Church meeting (see below)
	2.30pm	Pastoral Teas
	3.45pm	Bishop Jean's welcome at Lincoln Cathedral
Monday 27th April	10.30am	Standing Committee meet
Tuesday 28th April	7.30pm	Annual Group Church meeting at St. Mary's
Wednesday 29th April	9.30am	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	Confirmation Group meet
Thursday 30th April	11.00am	Funeral for Arthur Lovely
	6.00pm	Choir Practice
Saturday 2nd May	10.00 - 3.00pm	St. Mary's Open Day - see below for details

PRAYER FOR THE TOWN

Week beginning the 19th April: please pray for the residents & businesses of Whelpton Close and Willow Close

You may like to have your birthday remembered by the rest of the Church family? If so, please contact Neil and Shelagh Carter by E-mail at: Neil637carter@btinternet.com or through the Parish Office.

At our Communion services, if you would like a gluten free wafer, please let the Stewards or Clergy know before the service starts.

Please note, if you wish to leave a gift by Bank Card, you can use the 'Goodbox' near the entrance. Also, to give via your 'phone, you can use the QR code on the cards in the pews. Thank you.

Please look at our website for further details on these notes: www.stmaryshorncastle.org.uk



Lord, please give us the confidence to live the love of Jesus Christ with the community here in Horncastle and in the surrounding villages. Amen.