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EASTER DAY

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Welcome to our Easter Day Service. You will find the hymns printed out on the separate Order of Service this morning.

There will be an Easter Egg hunt for the children during the middle part of our service, with time to reflect on Jesus' resurrection. Helen Woodhouse and Linda Patrick will be looking after this activity.

The Notices are below, with new and amended ones underlined.

EASTER DAY	10.00am	Festival Eucharist
	10.00am	Holy Communion at Thimbleby
Wednesday 8th April	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 9th April	6.00pm	Choir Practice
Friday 10th April	11.00am	Funeral Service for Paul Hassall
Saturday 11th April	10.00am	Coffee in Church

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Our thanks to all those who have helped to prepare the Church so beautifully for our Easter celebrations. One or two people have been quietly cleaning the silver and brasses over the last few weeks, and then our dedicated team of flower arrangers came in yesterday morning to prepare the beautiful displays. Our thanks to all of them.

COMEDY WITH A CONSCIENCE!

We are invited to an evening's entertainment with comedian Graeme Coulam at the Methodist Church on Thursday, 9th April at 7.00pm.

PASTORAL TEAS

All are welcome to join for the Pastoral Teas on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Please note that during the summer, from Sunday 12th April, they will start at the new time of 2.30pm.

TAIZÉ

Our monthly Taizé worship will be starting again next Sunday, 12th April. The service is a 'meditative form of worship, characterised by simple, repeated, chants, Scripture readings and periods of silence, fostering a contemplative and ecumenical atmosphere'.

ANNUAL MEETING

This year's Annual Town Church Meeting will take place on Sunday, 26th April after the morning service. 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 to attend.

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. If you have any photographs of special events that have taken place at St. Mary's through the years, for example Baptisms and Weddings, then please drop them in or send them electronically to Debbie in the Parish Office. We are also looking for volunteers to bake cakes, help with refreshments and offer a welcome on the day. Any help will be much appreciated. Thank you.

Collect Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

Acts 10, 34 - 43 p. 138

Colossians 3, 1 - 4 p. 216

John 20, 1 - 18 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 12th April	10.00am	Holy Communion
	2.30pm	Pastoral Teas
	6.00pm	Taizé Service (see below)
Monday 13th April	2.30pm	Funeral Service for Geoffrey Longdon
Tuesday 14th April	2.00pm	Thornton's APCM
	7.30pm	High Toynton's APCM
Wednesday 15th April	9.30am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Cornerstone Finance meet
	2.15pm	Mothers' Union meeting
Thursday 16th April	6.00pm	Choir Practice
Saturday 18th April	9.00am	Prayer Breakfast at Costa
	10.00am	Coffee in Church

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.

PRAYER FOR THE TOWN

Week beginning the 5th April: please pray for the residents & businesses of Wesley Way and West Ashby

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:



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.