

St Giles' Church, Bubbenhall: Newsletter for April 2014

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Services in the Benefice: April 2014						
Date	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton			
April 6	I I.00 a.m:	11.00 a.m: 10.00 a.m:				
Lent 5- Passion Sunday	Holy Communion	Village Service	Parish Communion			
			6.30 p.m: Evensong			
April 13		10.00 a.m:	8.00 a.m:			
Palm Sunday		Holy Communion	Holy Communion			
			9.30 a.m:			
	6.30 p.m:		Parish			
	Evensong		Communion			
SERVICES	FOR HOLY W	VEEK ON NE	XT PAGE			
April 20:	8.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:			
Easter Day	Holy Communion	Holy Communion.	Parish			
	I I.00 a.m:		Communion			
	Holy Communion		6.30 p.m: Evensong			
April 27:	8.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:			
Second Sunday of Easter	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Family Service			
			6.30 p.m:			
			Holy Communion			
May 4:	I I.00 a.m:	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:			
Third Sunday of	Holy Communion	Village Service.	Parish			
Easter			Communion			
			6.30 p.m:			
			Evensong			

Every Wednesday			9.20 a.m:				
			Holy Communion.				
SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK							
Date	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton				
April 14		\wedge	7.30 p.m:				
Monday			Holy Communion				
in Holy Week		/					
April 15			7.30 p.m.				
Tuesday	The state of		Stations of the				
in Holy Week		\	Cross				
April 16			9.20 a.m:				
Wednesday			Holy Communion				
in Holy Week			7.30 p.m:				
,			Tenebrae				
			(A service of shadows)				
April 17	\ \ \ \ \ \ \		8.00 p.m:				
Maundy Thursday			Commemoration of the Last Supper:				
			Holy Communion, followed by The Watch.				
April 18		10.30 a.m:	10.00 a.m:				
Good Friday		(at Baginton) Devotional service for Good Friday, led by the Revds.	Children's Good Friday Workshop, followed by Family Service				
		Dorrie and Eric	7.30 p.m:				
		Johnson	Good Friday Liturgy				
April 19			8.00 p.m:				
Holy Saturday			Easter Vigil				
April 20:	8.00 a.m: Holy	10.00 a.m:	9.30 a.m:				
Easter Day	Communion I I.00 a.m:	Holy Communion.	Parish Communion				
	Holy Communion		6.30 p.m:				
			Evensong				
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Annual Parish Meeting/Annual Parochial Church Meeting

These two meetings – which are so close together that they feel like one meeting – will take place this year before Evensong on Palm Sunday, April 13. Meeting will start at about 5.30 p.m. Both meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend, though there are restrictions on who may vote. The Annual Parish Meeting is for the election of Churchwardens, and anyone on the civil electoral roll who lives in the parish of Bubbenhall may vote. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting receives reports on the life of the church and hears any questions which you may have about St Giles'. It also elects members to the PCC, and anyone who is on the church electoral roll may vote.

Please consider carefully if **you** are able to offer to serve on the PCC (Parochial Church Council). New ideas, new enthusiasm and new energy are always needed to ensure the vitality of your Parish Church into the future. Please have a word with the Churchwardens or Rector if you would like to serve your Parish Church in this way.

Dates for your diary.

March 30: Mothering Sunday

April 13: Palm Sunday

April 17: Maundy Thursday

April 18: Good Friday

April 19: Holy Saturday

April 20: Easter Day

Monday March 3: Puzzles and Pancakes.



Fewer teams than usual turned up to compete in the annual quiz for Shrovetide, but rivalry was fierce. The questions were- as always- judged to be far too hard by some of us, but the pancakes were delicious.

Many thanks to the Rector and William for devising the quiz and acting as

quizmaster, and to Frances for cooking lots of lovely pancakes.

The amount raised for USPG was £ 147

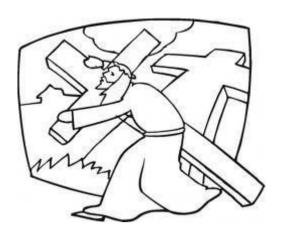
Mothering Sunday: March 30th

We shall be celebrating Mothering Sunday with a service of Family Communion at 11.00 a.m. Posies of flowers will be available for children to give to their mothers/ carers.

Lent Service: Stations of the Cross

On Thursdays in Lent we are meeting at St Leonard's Church, Ryton, to meditate on the Way of the Cross – Jesus' last journey as he carried his cross through the streets of Jerusalem to the place of his crucifixion.

Service begins at 6.30 p.m. and lasts about 40 minutes.



Lent Lunches at Baginton

Lent Lunches are taking place every Tuesday in Lent, starting at 12.30 p.m. Cost: £3.50. Profits for Church funds. Details of the remaining meetings below:

Date Venue

Ist April 8th April I5th April Lucy Price House Church Rd Village Hall Village Hall

Lent Jars in aid of Save the Children



Thank you for taking a Lent jar to help us raise money for the charity Save the Children in their work protecting children world-wide from malaria and from blindness.

Please be generous in supporting this deserving cause, and return your jars and donations to church as soon as possible after Easter.

Please, if you are a tax payer, take a gift-Aid form from church and return it together with your donation. This will enable Save the Children to reclaim an extra 25% from the Government. Thank you.

Lent Group for the three churches of our Benefice.

This year, the Lent Group is meeting on Monday evenings in St. Leonard's Church Centre, starting with a cup of tea or coffee at 7.00 p.m. The Lent Group should finish by 8.30 p.m.

Our discussions are based on a course called "Glimpses of God" by Canon David Winter, former Head of Religious Broadcasting at the BBC. We are considering various ways in which God makes himself known to us in the Bible, in events and in our own experience. Those who have



attended (from all three of our parishes) have enjoyed some lively and far-reaching discussions.

The next session will be in the Church centre at 7.00 p.m. on Monday March 31.

Do feel free to join us, even if you have not managed the previous meetings.

Churchyard Maintenance

Now the grass is growing again, all volunteers are welcome to help in the task of keeping our churchyard looking beautiful. It is a big churchyard and we are all getting older...

Very many thanks to all those who have kept the churchyard looking so beautiful during the last year.



Flowers in church

No Flowers in Lent.

Donations for Easter Lilies in memory of loved ones may be made to Jackie Lloyd.

Jackie would also welcome offers to arrange flowers in church during the rest of the year- perhaps on a date that is special for you and your family?

Thought for the month: Easter: what really happened?



How can you prove that Jesus really rose from the dead?

The Bible provides us with three places to look for such proof.

- I. The tomb was empty. But this is questionable evidence, because the empty tomb simply means that the body of Jesus is gone, not that he has risen.
- 2. The accounts of how Jesus appeared to his disciples after he had died on the cross. As proof, this is also rather weak, because these may have been mystical experiences and it's difficult to prove that they happened in hard fact.
- 3. The third place to look for evidence of the Resurrection is the least concrete, but probably the most reliable. It is the quality of the lives of those who live out their faith in the Resurrection.

We see it clearly in the transformation of Peter, who went from denying that he ever knew Jesus to suffering martyrdom for the risen Lord Christ.

We see it in Paul, who had set out to put Christians to death, only to become the champion of "dying and rising with Christ."

We see "what happened" in the lives of countless women and men down through the ages -and still today- who are examples of extraordinary integrity in the midst of deceit, of dedicated service in a world of selfishness, of patience and understanding in the face of violence, of forgiveness and reconciliation where there has been unbearable personal hurt. Such lives are evidence that Jesus has risen from the dead and is alive in the world today.

Easter Day is when we celebrate the fact of faith that Jesus was willing to die for us, but was not willing to stay dead. Death could not keep him down. And if we are joined to him, neither can it keep us down. We are "Easter people" when we put on new lives, not merely new clothes.

By the grace of God, some day the power of Easter will so transform us that people will wonder about us too: What happened?

Have a very happy Easter. Rosemary.



Provost Williams School will present:

Roll Away the Stone, a play for Easter in St Leonard's Church, Tuesday 8 April at 9.15am.

Provost Williams Church of England Primary School.

Have you applied for your Nursery place at Provost Williams Primary School? Spaces available after your child's third birthday.

Sessions are available Monday to Friday 9am to 12.00 and full time childcare available in conjunction with "The Ark" 7.45am to 6pm For an application form and more details please call the school office on 02476302166. It's never too early to apply!

From the Church Register

No entries in March.

Bellringers' news.

Visiting Ringers

Angela Roskelly and friends visited St Giles on the evening of Wednesday 26th February to ring a quarter peal.

The band comprised

Method: Original

Treble David Roskelly

- 2. Ruth Border
- 3. Bob Taylor
- 4. Angela Roskelly
- Lucy Gwynne

TenorRay Sheasby.

Sunday service ringing continues - all welcome. Bubbenhall Bellringers' Practice night is Wednesday 7.30 - 9.00. New ringers/visitors always welcome.

For further information on Rugby Deanery/Guild events, bells and/or learning to ring please contact Susan Sheen, tel. 02476 306339

Ryton History Group.

Apr 26th Friday. Don Newman: "Every cloud has a silver lining" Don's experience's in a Japanese Concentration camp/prison in Singapore during World War 2.

May 8th Saturday. Trip Stoneleigh Abbey + tour.

May 24th Our very own Jo Hibbard talks on the history of Methodist Churches.

We meet from 7.30-9.30pm in the Village Hall.

Subscription: £20.00 per year or £2.50 per meeting

Details from Steve Garrett 76639228 or Ann 76302695

And finally...



"...then just as I was getting my vanity under control I won Monk of the Year"

Contributions for the May Newsletter by April 20th please.

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