



# Church News for Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter 2021

With the agreement from each of our 6 PCC's we are delighted that we will reopen for gathered public worship on Palm Sunday. We will continue to offer a PhoneChurch service each Sunday and our reopening is phased in line with the Governments 'Roadmap'. To join in simply call 03300 945 940 then at the prompt Room number: 55017514 # and use Guest PIN: 3885 # please see below for more detailed information.

## Sunday 28th March Palm Sunday

## Reopening Step 1

09:00 <u>BCP Morning Prayer</u> – PhoneChurch

10:30 Holy Communion - St Gregory's Crakehall

16:00 Revive – Zoom

Monday 29th

**Readings** Psalm 118.1-2,19-24\*, & Mark 11.1-11

Evening Readings Mark 12.1-12

**Collect** Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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.

**Post Communion** Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

**BCP Collect** Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Holy Week**

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	20:00 Compline - St Andrew's Finghall
Tuesday 30th	09:00 Morning Prayer - PhoneChurch
	20:00 Compline - St Oswald's Hauxwell
Wednesday 31st	09:00 Holy Communion – PhoneChurch
-	20:00 Compline - St Michael's Spennithorne
Thursday 1st	09:00 Morning Prayer - PhoneChurch
	20:00 Stripping of the Altar & Vigil - St Patrick's Patrick Brompton
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	09:00 Morning Prayer - PhoneChurch
-	For those who are not able to be with us please do make use of the
	Stations of the Cross prepared for us by Fr Philip:
	15:00 Hour at the Cross - St Gregory's Crakehall
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	09:00 Morning Prayer - PhoneChurch
-	20:00 Compline - St Mary's Hornby

09:00 Morning Prayer - PhoneChurch



#### Sunday 4th April Easter Day

09:00 Holy Communion - PhoneChurch

10:30 Holy Communion - St Michael's Spennithorne

16:00 BCP Evensong - PhoneChurch

Readings Isaiah 25.6-9, Ps118.1-2, 14-24\*, Acts 10.34-43, & John 20.1-18

**Evening Readings** Psalms 105 or 66.1-11, Ezekiel 37.1-14, Luke 24.13-35

**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.

**Post Communion** God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **BCP Collect** O God, who for our redemption didst give thine only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection hast delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us to die daily unto sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **During the week - PhoneChurch**

09:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday - <u>Morning Prayer</u> 09:00 Wednesday -<u>Holy Communion</u>

#### Sunday 11th April Easter 2

09:00 Morning Prayer - PhoneChurch

10:30 Holy Communion - St Patrick's Patrick Brompton

16:00 Evening Prayer – Zoom (Taizé Music)

**Readings** Acts 4.32–35, *Psalm 133*, 1 John 1.1 – 2.2, & John 20.19–31

**Evening Readings** Psalm 143.1–11, Isaiah 26.1–9,19, Luke 24.1–12

**Collect** Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion** Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **During the week – PhoneChurch**

09:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday - <u>Morning Prayer</u> 09:00 Wednesday <u>Holy Communion</u>

# Church Opening - From Monday 12th April 2021

Our Church buildings will be open for private prayer during daylight hours. (St Andrew's Finghall by appointment)

#### When you come

Please observe 2m social distancing at all times. Please use hand sanitiser where provided. The Government has made face coverings mandatory for all attending a place of worship unless you fulfil an exemption criteria. Please sit where you see a 'Please sit' Card and turn it over when you leave.

**Do not enter if** you feel unwell or are displaying any symptoms of COVID-19.

These include:

- · High temperature
- · Continuous cough
- · Loss of taste and smell

Please follow all directions and markers set out and avoid contact with items as far as possible.

God of healing and peace, we give thanks for this place in which to worship you. Guide each of us as we enter and leave to keep it safe, as we seek protection for all from the coronavirus; in the name of him who gave his life for us all, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.



For more information please contact Rev'd Chris 01677 937 124 or the Church Wardens

## Sunday 18th April Easter 3

#### Reopening Step 2

09:00 Prayer & Praise - St Patrick's Patrick Brompton & PhoneChurch

11:00 Holy Communion - St Mary's Hornby

16:00 Lambing Service - St Oswald's Hauxwell

Readings Acts 3.12-19, Psalm 4, 1 John 3.1-7, & Luke 24.36b-48

Evening Readings Isaiah 40: 9, 11; Luke 15: 3-7

**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.

**Post Communion** Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

#### **During the week - Phone Church**

09:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday - Morning Prayer 09:00 Wednesday - Holy Communion St Anselm, 1109

**PhoneChurch** is working well, but please remember it is live and unless you mute the microphone on your phone everyone can hear anything that is happening at your end of the line. We are still learning how to best use this system and whilst responses during the service are working well, communal singing is causing problems - so for the moment please just listen to the music as it plays rather than singing along.

## **Weddings Baptisms & Funerals**

Weddings 6 people present. Funerals 30 people present.

There continue to be complex restrictions and procedures in place and these services will look and feel very different to what you might be used to so please do talk with Rev'd Chris at the earliest opportunity to avoid disappointment. For the latest update from the Church of England please visit

https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches

## **Meetings**

We continue to hold phone discussions for Churchwardens, PCC Secretaries, & worship leaders every other Wednesday. Our next meetings are on 21/04/21 and 05/05/21 at 16:15 on the PhoneChurch number.

St Gregory's **Crakehall** PCC will be meeting via Zoom on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 19:00

St Andrew's Finghall PCC will be meeting via Zoom on Wednesday 14th April at 19:00

St Oswald's **Hauxwell** PCC will be meeting after the Evening Service on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April at (approx.) 17:00

St Michael's **Spennithorne** PCC will be meeting via Zoom on Monday 19th April at 19:00

We will be holding a Gathered meeting of all 6 PCC's to discuss the Diocesan Survey via Zoom on Thursday  $15^{th}$  April at 19:00

Rev'd Chris will be taking Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April as his rest day and will be taking a holiday week after Easter Sunday.

Our monthly Wensley Deanery Prayer meeting is on Wednesday 28th April at 11:00 via Zoom

Our Annual Parochial Church Meetings are to be held in May this year and we hope to hold them in person if possible! Please note the change of dates!

St Patrick's Patrick Brompton - 17:00 Monday 10th May 2021

St Mary's Hornby - 17:00 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021

St Oswald's Hauxwell - 17:00 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021

St Andrew's Finghall - 17:00 Monday 17th May 2021

St Michael's Spennithorne - 17:00 Thursday 20th May 2021

St Gregory's Crakehall - 19:00 Friday 21st May 2021

## Come and join us on Zoom for a time of Lectio Divina

Friday afternoons at 16:00 - Lectio Divina is a contemplative way of reading the Bible. It dates back to the early centuries of the Christian Church and is a way of praying the scriptures that leads us further into God's word. It is listening with the 'ear' of the heart that allows scripture to speak to us in new ways while also deepening our relationship with the Living God.

For further information and the Zoom link please contact:

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## Wensleydale Filling Station

From *Mike and Pauline Hirst* for Wensleydale Filling Station

This week would have been our March meeting and it seems a long time since we have been able to join together in worship and teaching.

I'd like to introduce you to Capernwray Hall and their Bible School principal, Derek Burnside. Derek came to speak at our Filling Station meeting in December 2018 and he was booked to come during 2020. This link takes you to his first talk in a series called 'Glorious Reality'. He starts the series with the strap line 'I'm in Christ and He's in me' looking at the verses at the end of Romans chapter 8.

#### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UOoczLDCUOw

Make yourself a cup of coffee, open your bible, sit down and enjoy listening to Derek speak to over 100 young people in the lecture hall as part of their Bible School.

Capernwray is a large Manor House located in beautiful grounds near Carnforth, Lancashire. Bought shortly after the second world war as a Christian Centre, it rapidly became part of an international organisation and in 1949 opened the Capernwray Bible School. As well as running two longer teaching schools each year, they run taster weeks and family holiday weeks.

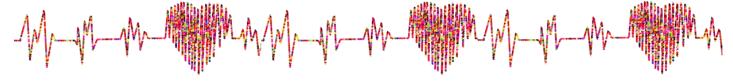
To find out more look at their website: <a href="https://capernwray.org/about/">https://capernwray.org/about/</a>

I hope you enjoy listening to Derek and through their website and YouTube channel you can enter into some of their fuller teaching programmes. Please do pass these links onto others who may enjoy listening to this teaching or wish to find out more about Capernwray Hall. God's Blessing

#### Lent

## **Study Group**

# Rhythm of Life - Lent Course



Come and join us on Zoom for six sessions, as we explore a healthy spiritual rhythm of life.

Sessions will provide an opportunity to engage with the seven Rhythm of Life areas for deepening commitment:

Praying Reflecting Encouraging Sharing

Resting Celebrating Creating

Each session will be 90 minutes in length, including a 10-minute break. The framework will consist of video clips, Bible passages, discussion questions, break out groups for discussion and prayer.

The weekly sessions will begin at 19:30 on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February let us know if you would like to take part or simply join us on the night. The Link above will take you to the Zoom.

#### Session 6 - Praying - 31st March will be asking: -!17:00!

- 1. What do you find most difficult about prayer?
- 2. Is there a style of prayer you prefer? What else have you tried?
- 3. Are there ways of praying you'd recommend to others?
- 4. Have you ever fallen into the trap of feeling so guilty that you haven't prayed that you daren't pray? What do you think Jesus would say about that?
- 5. Is there a way that you could weave prayer more naturally into your everyday life?

If you missed the previous sessions, please don't worry each session is stand-alone so please do join us when you can.

#### **Our Schools**

#### Hackforth & Hornby

Staff and pupils have supported each other through this difficult period. Teachers worked hard to provide an interesting on-line curriculum and pupils responded thoughtfully, at school and at home, developing their English and maths, alongside a range of other curriculum subjects. Exploring space with Jo from the UK Space Education Office was a highlight. At home and at school, pupils used tea bags to explore the creation of the solar system before submitting questions via Rebecca from the Yorkshire Dales Dark Skies Festival.





Since returning full time, we have listened to authors virtually, explored fairy tales and created mini books to celebrate World Book Day. We investigated the impact of climate change on farmers in the Bean Belt, during Fair Trade Fortnight, developing our home learning, as we all returned to school.

Lunchtime sports coaching has restarted and we are looking forward to working with Stage 1 Cycles during the summer term. We will be accepting their generous offer of checking and maintaining pupils' cycles before all pupils embark on their Beginner and Bikeability Programmes. Following staff professional development during lock down, we also hope to

welcome Imran Kotwal from the Muslim Learner Service. We hope, very much, that this is just the beginning of our usual programme of enrichment activities.

Please look at our website, Facebook page or follow our Twitter Feed, @hackforthschool, to learn more about life at Hackforth. If you would like to visit our welcoming school, we can offer sessions to meet teachers in their classrooms, after 4.30 pm. Please e-mail: admin@hackforthhornby.n-yorks.sch.uk or ring our Office Manager: 01748 811 698.

# St Gregory's Crakehall Educational Trust

Do you need help with funding extra educational courses, sports training or other educational activities?

Do you live in or close to Crakehall and Langthorne? Grants have been given in recent years for school trips, music lessons, postgraduate education, attending Sports camp, etc. Please let us know if the trust can help YOU! The trustees meet three times a year. The next meeting is on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021.



Application forms are in the Church lobby need to be in writing with details of the related expenses and need to be before the event takes place. Applications in by 10<sup>th</sup> April please.

Please contact Mrs Pauline Irwin, Hollis Cottage, The Green, Crakehall, Bedale, North Yorkshire DL8 1HQ or via email at pollyirwin@lcccommunications.com

#### Lisle's Limericks

Rev'd Lisle has offered us the following reflections on the Gospel readings for the next two Sundays.

Disciples were sent a donkey to find. "May we take it? We hope you don't mind." Throwing cloaks on it Jesus did mount it: palm branches were spread before and behind.

Both those who followed and others ahead called out to praise him as onward he sped, "Blessed be the one who rides with such confident strides, to restore the kingdom as prophets once said." Palm Sunday, Matthew 21.1-9

When they had had sufficient to eat Jesus then knelt at his disciples' feet. He washed each in turn but Peter did spurn, "It doesn't seem right that you wash my feet?"

"Unless I wash you, in me you'll not share" "Not just my feet but my hands and my hair," Peter responded. "We shall be bonded as I wash just your feet a symbol of care."

"If as your teacher I've washed your feet each to the other this service repeat." But the bread he then dipped

went to Judas who slipped away his betrayal to complete. Maundy Thursday, John 13.1-20

Jesus was crucified outside the wall to hang there from nails in view of all. As he bore that pain it was not in vain. as absorbing all sin he fulfilled his call. Good Friday, Mark 15 and parallels

Mary came to the tomb at break of dawn finding it empty she did feel forlorn. To Peter she hurried to say she was worried the body of Jesus was not there to mourn.

He and the other disciple did run but by the other Peter was outrun and got there ahead to bend down his head and looking therein saw grave clothes undone.

Peter following on went straight right in, saw the wrappings and the cloth that had been a cover for his face in another place. The other went in and believed within.



#### Liberia News

#### Simon and Grace Stretton-Downes



Simon is a dentist leading a team at a clinic at the Eternal Love Winning All (ELWA) Hospital in Monrovia. Grace is a nurse and will support Simon as well as seeking God's direction for her role in the mission field. The couple are sent by St Gregory's Church, Crakehall and are working for Serving In Mission (SIM)

**Rosemary Gaven** is our local contact and keeps us update with the news they send. News this week is that Grace has been heavily involved with visiting Dr Mikey with the Emergency Triage, Assessment and Treatment course that was run over the last few weeks. They had 35

participants and 90% passed the end test - that's so much better than in previous times. Normally they only take 25 people so this was hard work for the facilitators like Grace of the 'not so small' practical session groups. It was hard to keep people's interest. Mikey stayed in a small apartment for the first 3 weeks and now he is with Grace and Simon for the last 10 days of this visit and they are pleased to offer hospitality.

They have had some really heavy night storms with high winds off the ocean. This makes for fitful sleep when this happens and they do need their sleep!

Simon is very excited about developments at TDC regarding developing a dental therapy training school. This would be a 2-year training course and students would be posted to various parts of the country where there is currently zero dental care. They are just in the ideas phase but important contacts are being made which have been encouraging and very positive even at this thinking and planning phase.

Their dear friends will be leaving Liberia for good on 2nd April. They will be greatly missed. They have 3 children and have much transition up ahead as they move to Aberdeen. Grace and the ladies took Hannah out to eat last week. Grace and Hannah braved the big town market together on Monday and were home by 3 before the busy time on the roads. This is the first time they have been there since before Covid in 2020.

They are always grateful for your prayers and really appreciate them.

## And Finally

#### From Rev'd Chris

Is that time again - Spring is well and truly here and Summertime begins Tomorrow!

The pattern of moving forward and back in time that we enter into twice each year seems so much more than simply changing the clocks this time! 'He's lost the plot' I hear you say, well I might have but hold with me for a moment! As I write this we have just received the wonderful News that singing outside in our church grounds is once again allowed from Palm Sunday onwards. Praise the Lord - Yes Literally! We have been planning our reopening carefully and I am delighted that we can now spring into action and once again sing together. This Sunday at the end of the service at Crakehall we intend to process out and sing together 'Ride on ride on in majesty. And next Sunday at Spennithorne we will close our worship with the great Easter Anthem 'Thine be the glory'.



And so far from losing an hour it feels like we are Springing Forward.

I know many of you are still shielding so we will be continuing this newsletter and PhoneChurch to support you and I look forward to the time when we can all Spring into Action once again and so until that time hold with the words of promise and comfort from the Book of Lamentations

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; They are new every morning; great is his faithfulness.