

# ALL SAINTS' NOTICE BOARD

## Funeral of Harry

The funeral for young Harry Durbin will take place at 11.30 on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April. Please pray for his family and friends at this sad time.

## PRAYER REQUEST

Sarah has asked for prayers for her friend Lisa who has had a stroke.

Please pray also for Glynis's daughter who had an operation on Thursday.

## PRAYER REQUEST

Please keep Lynne in your prayers as she recuperates from a cataract operation last week. May her recovery be speedy and problem free.

## PRAYER REQUEST

Please keep Carole in your prayers as she starts her treatment this week. Also give thanks for the NHS, the doctors, nurses, technicians, cleaners, cooks and admin staff.

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> birthday to Jacob



## DESKTOP COMPUTER

Does anyone have a desktop computer they no longer need? We are looking for one with a tower and enough power to enable reliable streaming of services. Thank you.

## FOOD BANK

The food bank urgently needs:- tinned fish, potatoes, vegetables, meat, custard, rice pudding. Jars of coffee and dilute/long life juice. Please check that all donations are in-date.



**All Saints'**  
at the heart of the  
community

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021  
**Second Sunday of Easter**

## Readings

Acts 4.32-35  
John 20.19-end

## Collect

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen.

**All Saints' is  
18<sup>th</sup> April  
No booking,  
Please remember**



**opening on  
at 10.30 am  
all welcome.  
to bring a mask.**

## All Saints' Church Electoral Roll 2021

The Electoral Roll revision will take place between Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> April and Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> April.

If you are already on the present roll, there is no need to re-register but new additions need to be completed and returned to the ER Officer by the latter date.

Application forms can be obtained from Peter Snowdon, 1 Morwick Grove, Scholes, Leeds LS15 4DS (Tel: 0113 2644593) or from a churchwarden.

Only persons on the roll can vote in the Annual Meeting elections.

This meeting will be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May, and under the current period of pandemic emergencies zoomed over the internet.

If you are not sure whether your name is on the present roll, please check with me.

Peter Snowdon, Electoral Roll Officer

### Letter from the Rector

Dear all

Tomorrow's reading has Jesus appearing first to the disciples without Thomas, and then to all the disciples. I remember once seeing in St David's Cathedral in Wales a painting by John Granville Gregory of Thomas touching Jesus' side. It's a modern interpretation of the Caravaggio work on the same theme, but this time Thomas wears a leather jacket and the other disciples are in modern dress too.

The thing that strikes me most about this painting is the intensity with which Thomas examines Jesus' scars. He's intently examining the wound as Jesus gently guides his finger to the mark.

It reminds me that the passage invites us into that upper room, to stand with Thomas in our own doubts, touch Jesus' side and exclaim with him 'My Lord and my God!'

The passage tomorrow finishes with the punchline of the whole Gospel: 'But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.' That sentence gets to the heart of the Christian message, that it is not just a story from long ago, it is not some academic subject to unravel and examine, it is a part of the journey of faith.

Thomas was told by the others that Jesus had risen from the dead and he questioned, he doubted, he needed proof. We likewise are told that Jesus has risen from the dead. How do we respond? Do we respond with faith in that risen Lord or do we, with Thomas, hold out for further proof?

Following his encounter with the risen Jesus, Thomas went to the ends of the known world, India, and converted many, building churches and enabling others who had never touched the risen Jesus to have faith in him. To this day, Thomas is a well-known surname in southern India in memory of him.

Having taken the first step of faith to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the journey draws us on into having 'life in his name'. Life in all its fullness, a joy-filled, resurrection-fuelled exuberant passionate life is what Jesus calls us into. This is not to deny or detract from the gloom or the negatives that we see around us, but to see beyond them into the eternal kingdom that Jesus inhabits. That is the purpose of the story, that is what Thomas found in that upper room and which powered him towards a life of witness in India.

May the joy of this Easter-tide fill you with all joy in believing and living with Jesus in his resurrection power.

Blessings,  
Andy

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Thanks to Revd. Kathryn for the  
Stations of the Cross service on Good Friday.  
I found it a very moving and calm reflection.

### SERVICES THIS MONTH

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April** - morning online service

details will be in the email from Hilary.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April** - evening 6pm telephone service - this will continue for the foreseeable future (see below for phone number etc)

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April** - Holy Communion

Masks must be worn and we must all observe the 2 metre rule.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April** - watch this space, no details available at the moment.

#### Telephone services

There is a **dial-in prayer service (c.30 mins) at 6pm on Sundays.**

The services allow people to speak and listen, to be anonymous or to take part.

To join these calls, **dial 0330 336 0036 and enter the PIN 716 416.**

Calls can be made from either a landline or mobile and are at a local rate from your service provider. Call Alan Stanley on 0113 281 2769 if you need help.

#### Prayer and Chat Wednesdays at 11 with Revd Andy

\*join by zoom (details in the email from Hilary)

\*join by phone - **dial 0203 051 2874 and then enter the meeting ID 8734 803 0764**

#### Coffee and chat

These are informal 25 minute chats (bring your own coffee, unfortunately) about anything and everything.

**Chat 1** is at 11am on Thursday with Kathryn

**Chat 2** is at 2pm on Thursday with Carole (Please note there is no chat with Carole on the 15<sup>th</sup> April)

To join these calls, **dial 0330 336 0036 and enter the PIN 716 416.**

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### EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE

A big thank you to the team who produced the uplifting  
Easter Sunday service.

The technology almost beat them, but Andy managed to make a recording with contributions from Kathryn, John, Jacob, Debbie, Sally and John, and the Waddington Family.