

# ALL SAINTS' NOTICE BOARD

## PRAYER REQUEST

The funeral of Ian Richardson will be on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 12.45pm.

Please keep the family and friends of Ian in your prayers.

This will all be a private service because of the Covid regulations.

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Please pray for Geoffrey, that his medication takes effect.

## Eight days of prayer before Easter

starts on Saturday.  
The leaflet was distributed with the Easter card and Palm Cross

## CELEBRATIONS

birthdays, anniversaries achievements

Would you like the church family to celebrate with you?

### BIRTHDAYS

Christine, Sue or Jenny will deliver a birthday card on your birthday, but they need to know when it is.

Get in touch:- phone Christine on 0113 281 2449

email Leslye on leslyeanglican@btinternet.com, phone 0113 281 2488

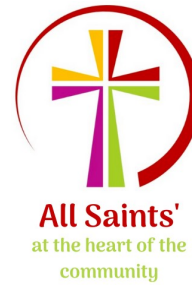
Please leave your name, date of birthday, (and if it ends in a zero, how old you will be) and your address. Children will get a card with their age on (if we know).

### ANNIVERSARIES and OTHER CELEBRATIONS

What are you celebrating? passing your driving test? getting a degree? reached your goal weight? a new grandchild? a wedding? a new job

If you are celebrating a wedding anniversary - how many years?

Get in touch:-phone Leslye on 0113 281 2488 or email as above.



SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2021

*Palm Sunday*

and for all Welsh speakers

*Sal y Blodau*



## Readings for Palm Sunday

Philippians 2.5–11

Mark 14.1–end 15 or Mark 15.1–39 [40–end]

## Collect

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. Amen.

## Stations of the Cross phone-in

Rev. Kathryn will be leading the Stations of the Cross phone-in on Good Friday.

The reflection starts at 2pm. Please join between 1.55 and 2pm.

The number to dial is **0330 336 0036**, and when asked, the participants' number is **716 416**. The phone call is charged at local rates.

There will be a 'Stations of the Cross' sheet delivered

with next weeks' notices,

and available online

for those who receive

the notice sheets

that way. If you

can't print out the

service sheet and

would like one,

phone me before Friday and I will print and deliver one to you. Leslye

## Letter from the Rector

Saturday 27 March 2021

Dear all

The seven days from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday are the most powerful, important, meaningful rollercoaster ride of the Church's year. This year we will feel the depth of its meaning even more than normal.

We begin with the mix of emotions that Palm Sunday brings, combining the celebration of the palm-waving shouts of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem with the oncoming fear for the future. I find that combination of hope and fear mirrored in much of society today. The hope of coming out of the pandemic, of springtime flowers and lambs in the field, is mixed with a multitude of fears, from a third wave in Europe to existential threats of climate breakdown, ecological disaster or the continuing medical and mental health crises that will be the long tail of Covid 19.

We then move to Thursday and the deep meaning of Jesus' self-offering, washing his disciples' feet and symbolically breaking his body and shedding his blood at the Last Supper. These abiding images of self-sacrifice power the heart of the Christian faith to a deeper relationship with Christ and an offering of ourselves in service for his world.

Then we move to the great moment of our faith, the cross and resurrection, from which all other points radiate. That tridium, or three day festival, encapsulates so many themes that it would be foolish of me to do more than simply point to the themes that emerge.

Death and resurrection, the cycle of life in daily, yearly and whole-life rhythms of joy and sadness, birth and death, mourning and reunion. The overriding theme of Good Friday/Easter Sunday is of a God who knows our sorrows, feels our pain, cries for our loss, but also is able to lead us from that darkness into the light of a new dawn, a heavenly realm of His kingdom. A kingdom we can glimpse in every smiling face, every baby's cry and every lover's hug.

This Holy Week is going to be a Holy Week like no other, but below are some resources that I pray will enable you to engage with the depths of this week in whatever way is appropriate to you.

### Reflections for Holy Week on YouTube

The reflections will go live each day at 6am, but you can access them at any time. The Monday–Wednesday reflections end with a service of Compline, with which you are welcome to join in. On four of the days, it will help you engage fully with the reflection to use certain items on that day:

Monday – perfume or scented handcream

Tuesday – a bundle of coins

Wednesday – paper, pen, matches and a safe place to burn the paper

Friday – some nails or rough wood

### Eight days of prayer sheet

In the Easter cards that have been sent out there is a paper-based set of Holy Week reflections for people to use each day during this week.

### Stations of the Cross

There will be a series of nine Stations of the Cross images and reflections placed in both Thorner and Barwick churchyards during the week for anyone to use as a spiritual exercise at any point.

### Easter day service

The Easter Day service will be a livestreamed communion service from Barwick church. All are invited to join us on YouTube, using their own bread and wine or juice to be spiritually together in the great Easter Day celebration.

Whether you access one or all of the above, I pray that this next week is a powerful reminder of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that brings life out of death and light out of darkness.

Blessings, Andy

## FOOD BANK

The local Food Bank is appealing for tinned foods, especially tinned: potatoes, fish, vegetables, meat, custard and rice pudding.

Also needed: coffee and dilute/long life juice.

There is a large plastic container at the end of Carole's drive  
34 Main Street Barwick, for your donations. Thank you.



## REMEMBER

Clocks go forward one hour on Sunday.

You will lose 1 hour in bed.