

Services in the Benefice for April 2017

EVERY Wednesday



10.00am Holy Communion followed by Coffee: Aldbrough

Sunday April 2nd: Lent 5

10.30 Parish Communion: Aldbrough

followed by annual meeting

***Sunday April 9th: Palm Sunday**



10.30 am Parish Communion: Mapleton

Palm Sunday Meet at 10.25 in Mapleton car park

SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK



Monday: Aldbrough

7.00pm Evening Prayer/Meditation:

Tuesday: Mapleton

11.00 HEALING COMMUNION: Withernwick

7.00pm Evening Prayer/Meditation:

Wednesday: Withernwick

7.00pm Evening Prayer/Meditation:

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm Holy Communion: Aldbrough

GOOD FRIDAY: Withernwick

2.00pm An hour before the cross

- a service of hymns and readings:

EASTER EVE: Mapleton

6.00pm Easter Vigil with Communion

Holy Week

Alleluia

He is



***Sunday April 16th: Easter Day**

10.30 am Parish Communion: Aldbrough

6.00pm Evensong: Withernwick

***Sunday April 23rd: Easter 2**

10.30am Family Communion: Mapleton

Sunday April 30th: Easter 3

10.30 Parish Communion: Goxhill

Sunday May 7th: Easter 4

10.30am Parish Communion: Aldbrough

* Please note changes in the service pattern due to Holy Week and Easter!

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Items for next Parish News to Paul by 20th April please

The Parishes of Aldbrough Mapleton & Goxhill with Great Hatfield & Withernwick

April 2017



Passion Flower

The picture on the cover reminded me that we used to have a very vigorous Passion Flower (Passiflora) growing in one of our gardens – no matter how hard we cut it back it grew again with renewed strength. Perhaps that's why this flower (and its symbolism) is so appropriate for this time of year.

In the 15th and 16th centuries Spanish missionaries began to use the various parts of this flower to explain Christ's crucifixion.

So: The pointed tips of the leaves were taken to represent the Holy Lance. The tendrils represent the whips used in the flagellation of Christ. The ten petals and sepals represent the ten faithful apostles (less St. Peter who denied Jesus and Judas Iscariot the betrayer). The flower's radial filaments represent the crown of thorns. The chalice-shaped ovary with its receptacle represents a hammer or the Holy Grail. The 3 stigmata represent the 3 nails and the 5 anthers below them the 5 wounds (four by the nails and one by the lance). The blue and white colours of many species' flowers represent Heaven and Purity.

Like my passion flower the story of Christ's crucifixion has spread and spread, but Christians have an uphill battle at Easter – to some it's the greatest story ever told, to others the story can seem quite ridiculous. How on earth do you begin to explain that Jesus died, but then somehow came alive again, and indeed remains alive? It would in many ways be simpler to concentrate on the wonderful teachings of Jesus and his examples of how to live and love God. But if we did that then our Christian faith would be worthless. The faith of Christians depends on the resurrection of Jesus, and always has done, right from the earliest days. Jesus' followers claimed that they had met him, seen him and even talked with him. They were so certain of his 'resurrection' that nothing could deter them from talking about it with others. The witness of those early Christian has led many others to a true faith in Jesus Christ and a relationship with him that wouldn't make sense if he were dead.

Christians don't put their faith in a dead hero from the past, but in someone who is alive and active in their own lives and in the world. That, in a nutshell, is the real message of Easter and from which we, like the Passion Flower gain renewed strength.

With every blessing for a very Happy Easter.

Revd Anne



FROM THE REGISTERS:

5th March: Edward Johnson (Aldbrough)

Withernwick Ladies Group

This month our planned speaker was ill but fortunately we had our own replacement. Maureen Woollin gave us the second part of "Josiah Wedgwood" and brought along examples from her china collection. It was a fascinating evening thanks to her knowledge and enthusiasm for her subject. Did you know that his wife, Sarah, tried out every teapot and coffeepot design to check that it poured properly? A pity more don't do that nowadays and stop all the dribblers!

On April 5th Olga Coates will talk about "Roots" behind the Iron Curtain. We meet in St Alban's Church at 7pm and you are most welcome to join us. The raffle will be "Made in England" and there will tea and biscuits and lots of chat. Please give me a ring if you want to know more - or just come along. Anne Wood 527947

Nearly New Sale on Saturday 8th April at Aldbrough Youth Club. 2pm - 4pm
various stalls, clothes & shoes, toys, fancy goods and jewellery.

Refreshments will be available.

All proceeds to our 3 churches.

Donations of any of the above wanted. More information telephone
Bev Taylor - 529070 or Antoinette Butlin - 527438

Thank you in anticipation, Hope to see you all there.

Saturday, May 20th. Hornsea Choir and Ukulele Band evening
with a glass of wine and nibbles in St Alban's Church.

More details to follow but put the date in your diary.
It should be a good night - and a bit warmer by then!

Twitter

A man walked into a church and approached the minister. "I need help. I think I'm addicted to Twitter." The minister looked at him and said gently, "I'm so sorry, I don't follow you."

Methodist Church

April 1st--10-11 30 am —Coffee Morning with cake and bric-a-brac stalls.
2nd—at 10-45am—Service preacher- Stephen Byass.
4th --at 2-00pm --Bible Study
5th -at-1-30 -3-30pm Craft Club
9th at 10-45am Service Preacher - Val Walker.
11th at 2-15 pm Network Speaker Sandra Stennett
12th at 1-30-3-30pm Craft Club.
16th at 10-45 am Easter Service Preacher Margaret Preece.
18th at 2-00pm Bible Study.
19th at 1-30-3-30pm Craft Club;
23rd at 10-45am Service with Holy Communion Rev Colin Marchment.
25th at 2 -15pm Network Speaker— Meg Croft
26th at 2-00pm Craft Club
30th at 10-45 am Service Preacher – John Stephenson

Resurrection Work

(Acts 10:40-43)

Strong arms of Jesus
stretched out in His cross-work,
opening Himself to die,
opening the way for God's wonder-work
to raise Him to life,
to offer life to us today,
as responders.

Our work – to believe in Jesus,
to receive forgiveness and the Spirit,
to know those strong arms
enfolding, supporting,
comforting, raising us
to be His New Creation
with resurrection power
for our time.

Hallelujah!

By Daphne Kitching

2017 DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

DATE	EVENT	WHERE
April 8th	Nearly new clothes sale	Aldbrough Youth Club 2.00pm
May 16th	Joint PCC	Aldbrough school
May 20th	Concert	Withernwick
May 21st	Service with Bishop Alison	St Helens Well 4.00pm
June 4th	Confirmation	Aldbrough
June 30th	Deanery Service	Wassand Hall
August 25th	Gift Day	Aldbrough
August 28th	Fete	Great Hatfield
23rd -25th February 2018	Parish Weekend	Wydale

OPEN THE BOOK

Do you like story telling? Would you be willing to go into school occasionally to bring the Bible to life?

There will be a workshop for this on May 20th – more details later.

What can I eat for Easter?

Can't eat beef.....mad cow.
Can't eat chicken..... bird flu.
Can't eat eggs..... Salmonellla.
Can't eat pork.....fears that bird flu will infect piggies. Also trichinosis.
Can't eat fish..... heavy metals in the waters.
Can't eat fruits and veggies..... insecticides and herbicides.
Can't eat potatoes, pasta, bread, rice.....nasty carbs .
Hmmmmmmmm! I believe that leaves.....chocolate.

Our barn owls diet and hunting, they mainly feed on voles, mice and wood mice, shrews, brown rats and occasional frogs lizards. They swallow their prey whole, so them who keep an eye on them, look for the pellets to examine just what they have been eating, as there will be bits of bones in it.

They are the silent hunters and they possess extremely acute hearing, and the feathers in owls have a comb like extension on the leading edge, with other birds it's smooth, in the owls part is rough, so this muffles the air passing through it. All flight feathers are also very soft, with tiny branches along the filaments which helps to muffle the sound. The only drawback, they are not very watertight so they must keep applying liberal amounts of preen oil from a gland on the upper base of the tail.

Now many farmers are putting up lots of nest box's for them, as a lot of the old farm buildings have been done up, so no home for them. I am sure we shall see more nest boxes for the owls going up.

Just a last note, give your garden birders a good wash out clean, don't do them in the washing up sink. I use a bucket of hot water

God bless

Revd Anne

and all who read this

John

if anyone wants to know more about my wildlife, my door is always open and kettle on



All she had said was it was time for her
annual lawnmower service

Priest in charge
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Village websites ;**

www.withernwickvillage.co.uk

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