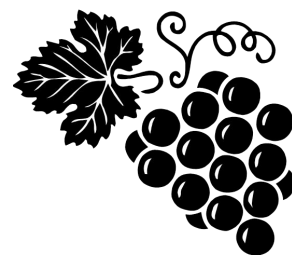


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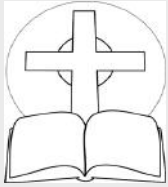
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Readings for April 2021

4 April - Easter Day

Isaiah 25.6-9; Mark 16.1-8

11 April - Easter 2

Acts 4.32-35; John 20.19-end

18 April - Easter 3

Acts 3.12-19; Luke 24.36b-48

25 April - Easter 4

Acts 4.5-12; John 10.11-18



From the Registers

Dunnington, Holtby
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Baptisms

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Weddings

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Funerals

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Revd Canon Nick Bird

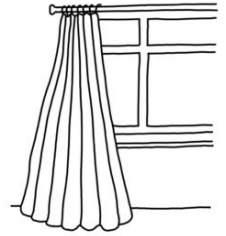
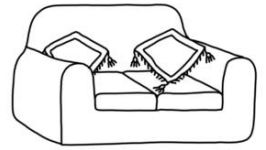
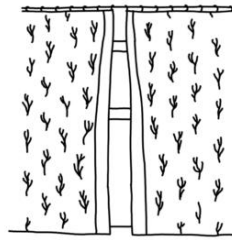
On **Sunday 25 April**, Revd Nick Bird, and seven others, will be made canons of York Minster. Nick will become Prebend of Fenton.

The College of Canons consists of clergy and lay people drawn from the parish churches of the Diocese of York. Its principal function is to be 'the voice of the Diocese' in the Corporate Body's policy discussions, and to assist Chapter in developing closer ties between the Minster and the parishes of the Diocese, especially through Chapter's programme of outreach and engagement work.



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AND THE HOME FURNISHINGS THAT INSPIRED THEM



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This CartoonChurch.com cartoon by Dave Walker originally appeared in the Church Times.

Curiosity

A reflection by Revd Canon Terry Joyce

Recently we were invited to join a Book Club and we responded enthusiastically to this new opportunity, sweetened by the provision of free books! So we are given the book, read it by a certain date and then join a Zoom group to discuss it. What's not to like?

Well actually, I would have never chosen the second book, as it was the autobiography of the cricketer, Alastair Cook. There is no way I can be described as a cricket fan; in fact, I've never understood the game. But I stuck with the book, enjoyed it and was commended for finishing it.

I was curious to find out about the pressures and joys of being a top-flight cricketer and a long-serving England captain. It reminded me how important curiosity is. We are all likely to react negatively to the opposite – 'incuriosity' in those who have no interest in us or in a different point of view. But curiosity arises from what we don't know and us realising that new things and new possibilities can be engaged with; and, as such, curiosity is given a hallowed status as it is closely linked to humility, which is a fruit of the spirit (Galatians 5:22).

How curious are we? There is a tendency, as we get older, to become more content with what we know. But every experience and person has something to teach us. Curiosity and questions spark relationships, as they make people feel valued.

Albert Einstein has offered several quotations about curiosity; such as "The mind that opens to a new idea never returns to its original size" and "I have no special talent – I am only passionately curious". But my favourite and challenging curiosity quote is by Harry Williams, an English theologian and monk (1919-2006) who wrote

The wonder and curiosity which welcomes what is new and regards it not as threatening but enriching life

– that wonder and curiosity is God.

(This reflection originally appeared in the Benefice Newsletter on 24.01.2021)

An Egg for Easter

Friends,

I want to offer you an Easter Egg, but not of the painted or chocolate kind.

Imagine there are three domes, layered inside each other like the layers of an egg: yolk, white and shell. The inner dome, the yolk, is me and My Story. It is the smallest dome, and much of it is secret and hidden. It is my history, my personality and my identity. It is the inviolable and precious core of my being. But it is only me and my small life, and, as I grow, I cast around for meaning, belonging and significance. This is how we all start off, but if we stay here then we will remain self-referential, isolated, and, where self-actualization becomes the ultimate goal, an idol we worship.

The middle dome is the egg white and it is Our Story. It is community, tradition, nation, family, even a particular religion. It is the shared story of a people; it is our bigger identity and loyalty, and the invitation to a greater sense of self. It is a place of formation and belonging and growth. However, if I have an underdeveloped sense of self, an insecure identity, a lack of insight into, and ownership of, My Story, then I am vulnerable to being sucked into the stories of others, whether this is a kind of group-think, abandonment into the culture wars of identity politics, or my unquestioning submission to a religious system – the ultimate 'there is no "I" in team'. Perhaps we find this expressed in nationalism or communism, or, at their extremes, even veganism, feminism and any other 'ism' that demands loyalty to a group identity over any sense of self. At which point the only views I expound are our views, and conformity and uniformity are the goal.

Finally we have the shell of the egg, The Story. This is the story of the greater truth, the patterns that are true for all people, everywhere and always. Forgiveness and reconciliation are good in all circumstances, as is love and self-sacrifice. In all cultures, and in the best of all religions, The Story of love and joy and humility and patience and kindness, are all greater truths, as is the pattern of death and resurrection which is woven into the structures of the natural world. It would be arrogant to suggest that The Story is coterminous with any one religion. Good religion leads us to The Story, without having to be The Story.

The three stories together protect us from the illusions that Our Story is The Story, and the smallness of My Story where there is identity without belonging. This is known as the 'Cosmic Egg'. Only when we understand that all three are worthy of love and attention, nurture and respect, can we develop into the fullness of our being.

Healthy individuals, healthy communities, mature spiritualities, hospitable nations are the ones who hold these three stories in balance. Easter possesses a universal truth, not simply because I believe it to be true as part of My Story, and not because it plays such a central part in the understanding of Our Story as a Christian people or a traditionally Christian nation, but because self-sacrificial love that conquers death is true for everyone, always, everywhere.

Nick Bird

Your Rector



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DATE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

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Email grapevine.rey@gmail.com or place in the tray in the Tower Room at St Nicholas Church, together with your name and contact details.

For all other enquiries, please call Victoria on 01904 489817 or e-mail as above.

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CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

Dunnington Scarecrow Trail

1st to 3rd May 2021

We are inviting you to make a Scarecrow having a celebration of some kind to display in your garden.



Scarecrows should be on display between 10.00 and 6.00 each day.



Register your scarecrow on the form that comes through your letter box or using this google form

<http://bit.ly/3v8rvv0>

We are hoping to serve take away drinks and snacks and will welcome offers of cakes for this, email judithmhewitt@btinternet.com or ring 488331 if you can help.



Benefice Weekend at Wydale Hall

17th to 19th September 2021

Our weekend at Wydale is ON!

Our weekend will be led by Rev Rachel Hirst and we will have Lisa with us to lead the younger people.

It would be good to know if you are planning to join us, as soon as possible.

The cost for the weekend, including all meals, is £159, with a reduction for children.

Application forms will be available soon, but a deposit of £10 per person, with the names and a contact number, of those attending, can be sent to Judith Hewitt, 7, Water Lane.



Wydale Hall from the Valley

Holy Week & Easter Services

Palm Sunday (28 March)

Online Worship Service

Maundy Thursday (1 April)

Online Worship Service

Good Friday (2 April)

10.00 to 4.00 All four parish churches will be open for private prayer

Holy Saturday (3 April)

8.00pm First Communion of Easter : St Nicholas, Dunnington

Easter Sunday (4 April)

6.00am Dawn Service : St Nicholas Churchyard

10.30am Easter Communion : Holy Trinity, Stockton

10.30am Easter Communion : St Nicholas, Dunnington

Any time Online Worship Service

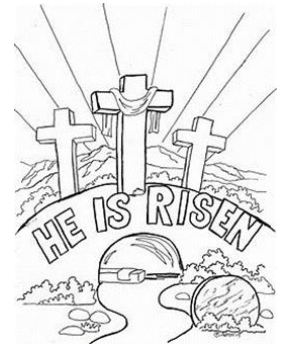
For services in Stockton, please 'book' with Ennis, 400364, ennisjacksonuk@yahoo.com.

For services in Dunnington, please 'book' with Nick, 489349, revnickbird@gmail.com.

Any changes to the services listed above will be shared at stnicholasdunnington.org.uk.

The online services will be shared on our youtube channel <https://tinyurl.com/y28h5aec>. Details and links can be found at stnicholasdunnington.org.uk. Once posted, these services can be viewed at any time.

There will be no Easter Service at the Methodist Church, but see page 6 for details of online Methodist worship.



You Tube

St Nicholas Dunnington

ARE YOU MOURNING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE?

We are very aware that a number of you have sadly lost a loved one during this past year, maybe from Covid or maybe from another cause.

You may now be feeling that you want to talk to someone about the person you have lost, to someone who will listen, to someone who cares about how you are feeling.

Your family, if you have one, may think time has passed and you are now 'over it', but the pain may still be there.

We would like to invite you to pick up the phone and call either of us for a chat and, if we can, to arrange to meet you, if that is what you want.

Rev Nick Bird (Rector) 489349

Rev Mark Poole (Curate) 426522

Judith Hewitt (Reader) 488331



*'In the rising of the sun and in its going down,
We remember them'*

*'When we have joys, we yearn to share,
We remember them'*



CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

Regular services online

Our weekly online Sunday worship is continuing, with a service of the Word, with songs and prayers, posted on our YouTube channel each Sunday and remaining available thereafter.



The services are normally shared on the channel the day beforehand. Many of us worship 'together' at 10.30am on a Sunday morning, using the video service prepared for that day, but you can watch them anytime!

<https://tinyurl.com/y28h5aec> (or search YouTube for 'St Nicholas Church').

To be added to the list of people who receive a weekly email invitation to the service when it goes live, please email Nick Bird on revnickbird@gmail.com.



Phone

Know someone without internet access? They can listen to the audio version of the weekly service by phone at any point during the week. It's the cost of a local call and very simple to do - just dial 899433.



Coffee and chat

Do join us for a catch up over Zoom at 11.30 each Sunday, once people have had a chance to participate in the service

<https://tinyurl.com/y2hlhgvs>

Weekday Worship via Zoom

As we go to print, we are still not having regular services in our church buildings, but there is live worship over zoom:

Morning Prayer

Every morning Monday - Thursday at 9.00am

LIVE worship via Zoom <https://tinyurl.com/y2whk8c9>

Compline (Night Prayer)

Every Wednesday at 7.00pm

LIVE via Zoom <https://tinyurl.com/y3upjx3k>

Both Morning Prayer and Compline are short services (c. 15 minutes). You are welcome to leave as soon as the service is over or stay for a chat.



Ignite (Youth Group)

Our youth group 'Ignite' re-started in February and is now meet regularly via Zoom. The next meeting will be on **Sunday 18th April at 7:00pm**.

This is a group for youth in school year 6 and above (most of the current members are aged 10-14). If you would like to know more, or get involved, please contact Revd Mark Poole, our curate on revmarkpoole20@gmail.com

Benefice Family Worship

There will not be a Family Worship service in April. The next one will be on **Sunday 2 May**. Contact Lisa Horton horton2517@sky.com, Rev Mark Poole revmarkpoole20@gmail.com or Judith Hewitt judithmhewitt@btinternet.com for more information.

Monthly Prayer Meeting

Thursday 22nd April via Zoom

Revd Mark Poole invites you to join him for an informal time of prayer .

zoom | **PRAYER MEETING**

Each session lasts about an hour, commencing at 7:00pm, and is an opportunity to pray for the needs of our communities, our nation and our world especially during these difficult times. It is also an opportunity for us to pray for God's mission in our villages as we seek to serve in His Kingdom.

You, and anyone you know, are very welcome to join us. The Zoom invitations are sent out a few days prior to each evening. Email Revd Mark Poole revmarkpoole20@gmail.com to receive an invitation.

If you do not wish to join us, but would like prayer, then let Mark know, including whether you are happy for this to be prayed for during the meeting.

STAY UP-TO-DATE »

For up to date information on Benefice Services, in case plans need to change or services are cancelled, please refer to the St. Nicholas Church website stnicholasdunnington.org.uk or contact Rev Nick Bird 489349.



Christian Aid Week

9th to 15th May

We are planning to have a house to house collection in Dunnington this year.

If you can help deliver envelopes please contact Jocelyn 488044 or Judith 488331.

You do not need to collect the envelopes.

Envelopes will be ready, in streets, from 2nd May.



Thanksgiving for Jobs!

As the government's vaccination programme rolls out across the country and protects a growing number of people from the COVID coronavirus that has made life so difficult for the last year, why not take the opportunity to offer thanks to God for your 'jab' in a practical way as well as in prayer?



Christian Aid works with some of the poorest and most vulnerable communities across the world, where there may be little hope of a vaccine rollout. These people already face a lack of water, food, and healthcare. Some are homeless. Some are living with underlying health issues such as HIV.

Christian Aid is already on the ground, helping keep people safe from coronavirus with practical support – but with your gift of thanks can do more.

Go to the Christian Aid donation page <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/give/ways-donate/give-thanks-your-coronavirus-vaccine>.

Dunnington Methodist Church

Dear Friends, as we enter the month of April, we hope that spring will be well and truly with us. Although we are not able to celebrate Easter together as we usually do, we hope you will still be able to experience the hope and joy of Easter Sunday by joining a service online, on the telephone, or by using the paper copies of services that Diane kindly delivers. We wish you all a very Happy Easter.

If there is anything we might be able to help you with, do not hesitate to call one of the stewards: Anne Castle 01904 481656, Diane Conway 01904 489495, Chris Spedding 01904 481867

Worship

Online worship produced by the Circuit can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMZlI3vyksFEonZ-EQbbhuQ> and a list of online worship services around the Circuit is available at: <https://www.yorkmethodist.org.uk/coronavirus-information/online-services.html>

Flames and Rushing Wind at the End of the Tunnel?

From the Superintendent Minister:

Following the Government's announcement of a phased relaxation of Covid regulations, and discussions with the Circuit Staff and Stewards and the Leaders of Worship and Preachers Meeting, we have all agreed that the provisional target date for a general re-opening of Churches for Sunday Worship is **23rd May** - the Festival of Pentecost and Aldersgate Sunday. Ministers and Local Pastors will work with each congregation to explore what will be required to reopen, and what pattern of Sunday Worship might be possible. More details will be available after Easter.

Please note the word 'provisional' - nothing is certain as yet, but hopefully over the coming weeks things will become clearer.

Dial a sermon

For those unable to access the circuit YouTube service online, an audio recording of the most recent readings and sermon is now available by telephone. Dial 01904 948409 and, after a short delay (20 seconds), the audio file will play (usually around 10-15 minutes long). You will be charged as for a local call according to your current phone package.

Unique - a 8 week Mental Health Course for Young People

Do you know of a young girl aged 13-16 who would benefit from building their self-esteem and resilience? This short course covers a range of topics, in a fun and welcoming small group environment. Tuesday evenings on zoom, starting after Easter. Contact Lorraine to sign them up and get their craft bag and resources. See the flyer for the dates. lorraine.jones@methodistyouth.org.uk 07850 631168.

Easter Boxes

The children's youth and families team have an Easter pack containing sunflower seeds and some activities available to send out. This will be sent out to all the families and young people we already have the details for. If you would like your child to receive the pack and you haven't previously given us your details, then please complete the form available here and we will send it out to you <http://bit.ly/3tdCOAb>


Breathing Space -

Coffee and Chat session for parents and carers of pre-school children

Are you a parent or carer of a baby or toddler? Do you long for conversation with other grown-ups? Are you a first time parent or maybe you are missing the baby and toddler group?

Then join us on a Tuesday 2pm - 3pm for our new Zoom coffee and chat session. Starting on 16th March, it will be a space to meet other parents/carers, have a chat and a laugh with other grown-ups, share the joys and frustrations of bringing up little ones and get practical tips and support from others who understand. Just grab a cuppa and a biscuit and join us from the comfort of your own home.

Please contact heather.lewis@methodistyouth.org.uk for more information or to receive the zoom link.



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ON THE TRAIL
SERIES

IN SEARCH OF
Easter



SCAN ME

What is Easter really all about?
Scan the code and let the adventure begin!

Trails will be set up at: St Nicholas's Church, Dunnington
Holy Trinity, Stockton on the Forest, St Mary's, Warhill & Holy Trinity, Holtby from 27th March 2021.

Prizes & Easter craft packs can be collected from St Nicholas's Church, Dunnington & Holy Trinity, Stockton on the Forest on Saturday 3rd April between 10:00am & 12:30pm

Email Lisa Horton (Children & Family Worker) on horton2517@skv.com for more details.



Scripture Union

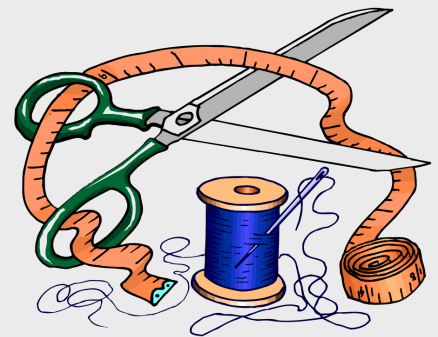
Please ensure you follow current government guidance around social distancing as you take part in this trail.

thank you

Thank you Kath

After many years, Kath Bridgford has stepped down from bookkeeping for the Grapevine magazine. Kath has kept our books diligently and professionally, and we are hugely grateful for her efforts. On behalf of all of us, thank you Kath.

Revd. Nick Bird



Lockdown Crafts

During the lockdowns many of us have taken up new crafts or returned to crafts we enjoyed but not the time to do them.

We, at St Nicholas Church, would like to give you the opportunity to 'show them off' over the weekend of 1st to 3rd October as part of our Harvest Celebrations.

If you are willing to share your craft, please contact Judith Hewitt, 488331 or judithmhewitt@btinternet.com by 1st June.



Community Support Group

We are still here to help



If you would like someone to collect your shopping, or to walk your dog, or if you'd like a friendly chat on the phone

**Contact Rev. Nick Bird
01904 489349 : revnickbird@gmail.com
who will put you in touch with your local contact**

THE FALLEN / YORK INTERFAITH GROUP

Pop Wilson

Thank you, on behalf of my mother, my brother Steve, and myself, regarding Pop Wilson who recently passed away.



Flowers and cards received by our three households have been quite overwhelming. He lived in Dunnington all 85 years of his life.

Because of the generous donations, Parkinson's UK have received £620 in my father's memory.

Special thanks to all the staff at Riccall Care and The Beaumont Nursing Home.

Dave Wilson



York Interfaith Group

is part of the Interfaith Network for the UK and works to promote understanding, cooperation and good relations between organisations and persons of different faiths in York We meet on the first Tuesday of each month, via zoom currently

Our next meeting is on:

Tuesday April 6th

Speaker - Dr Hooshmand Badee - The role of faith in solving economic problems

Chair - Daryoush Mazloun

Our latest Newsletter and other information can be found at www.yorkinterfaith.org

Facebook - York Interfaith group

Instagram - @yorkinterfaith

Twitter - @Yorkinterfaith

If you are already on our mailing list you will receive an invitation to join the meeting by email. If you are not on the mailing list, but would like to attend, find out more about any event mentioned in the newsletter, or indeed, join our group, you will be made very welcome. Please email, yorkinterfaithgroup@gmail.com and feed back to us how you heard about York Interfaith. Alternatively, email am.castle@bopenworld.com

With Kind Regards

Anne Castle

"The Fallen" - Remembered

Addendum to the story of Private Charles Kendall in the Grapevine, April 2017

Seven sons and four daughters were born to Joseph and Jane Kendall, of Sycamore Cottage, Warthill (previously of York). Five sons served in the Army in WW1, along with two sons-in-law. One son and one son-in-law were killed in action.

Charles Kendall died on 23 Apr 1917, age 25, during the Battle of Arras in France while serving with the East Yorkshire Regt. He is named on the Arras Memorial. His siblings were: Richard, John, George, Mary, Joseph, Tom, Elizabeth, William, Alice, and Maria.

Sydney Goodyear married Elizabeth Kendall early in 1914. Originally a tailor by trade, he was a reservist when mobilisation began for WW1 – having previously served in the Army for seven years from Nov 1904 (including five years in India, where he had been wounded in the elbow). He re-enlisted at Harrogate in the 2nd Bn York and Lancaster Regt, embarking with them for France on 8 Sep 1914. He was granted one week on leave to the UK on 1 Apr 1916, and returned to duty, but was killed in action on 28 April, age 32. His body lies in Ljissenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium.

George Kendall, a confectioner, served with the West Yorkshire Regt in France from Feb 1916. He had five children living in York with his second wife Kate (Hindley).

Joseph Kendall, a smallholder and former dairyman, served with the Northumberland Fusiliers. His wife Elizabeth (Buckle) and six children remained in York.

Tom Kendall, a cab-driver in York, joined the Remount Dept of the Army Service Corps early in the war, and served in France. His wife and four children lived at James Street off Hull Road.

William Kendall was rejected three times before joining the Army Service Corps early in 1917. He was married, with two children.

J. Robert Hardy, a farm worker at Flaxton, married Maria Kendall. He served with the West Yorkshire Regt in France. A daughter Alice was born in 1917.

Fr Val Hollands (faithirV@googlemail.com / 01904 489 283)